From:
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 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Lili

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 14:53

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:**

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What in the world is wrong with the council people of Palm Desert!??? To remove the patios along El Paseo and 111 so that the decks are no longer available for restaurants??? You people should focus on the real problems of the desert and not the outside decks that people love!!!!

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From: Mark Chiaramonte
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 14:53
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Deck Regulations for restaurants

Dear City Council,

California is an extremely expensive environment to have a small business.

During COVID, regulations for out door dining were relaxed to allow decks.

I would ask that you not take away a business's ability to continue to generate revenue amd keep employees employed.

My upcoming vote will be determined by the council's vote on this issue. Any incumbent that votes to take away decks will not receive my vote.

Thank you, Mark Chiaramonte Sent from my iPhone
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From: Jason Ellet

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:03

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Leave the Dining Decks alone!

To whom may concern at City of Palm Desert,

Please remove your new guidelines pertaining to the dining decks of Restaurants on El Paseo and Highway 111 in the city of Palm Desert, they allow for businesses to continue to operate at a reasonable capacity. Sometimes restaurants are already crowded as enough as it is with the decks, We don't need to make it impossible to get a table because they lose that capacity.

Thank you,

Resident of Palm Desert for seven years Jason Ellet

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 To:
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From: Carol Jackson

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:21

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Cc: Ronald Kolodziej

Subject: Please keep the big outdoor decks in Palm Desert

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As a homeowner in Palm Desert **Way**, I'm concerned about the possible elimination of outdoor decks on Highway 111 and El Paseo. If outdoor decks are eliminated, businesses will suffer greatly, patrons will not be allowed to enjoy the outdoors while dining, and dogs cannot accompany owners. It's a losing proposition, and it must not happen. There's no good reason to eliminate the decks and several good reasons to keep them.

Please keep the outdoor decks.

With regards, Carol Jackson
 From:
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 To:
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 Fw: Outdoor dining decks

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From: Britany Ali

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:39

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outdoor dining decks



To Whom it May Concern,

I am a Rancho Mirage soon to be Palm Desert full time resident It is brought to my attention that you are trying to take away the restaurants option for having outdoor dining decks One aspect & bi product of the COVID Pandemic is these new outdoor dining options.

It ads to the charm of the city, it gives patrons an option even now if they prefer to dine al fresco & I think it is a HUGE attraction for most of the businesses who have had outdoor dining. Why ever would you the City of Palm Desert evr want to limit your small restaurant business owners who have thrived as a result of having the outdoor dining option?

Shame ! Please do consider the voice of the community at large as well as the proprietors of these local havens we are so glad are serving food fun & drinks

The outdoor dining option is amazing for moms and families & to take this away would be a real mistake .

Please consider the voices of the community .

With Respect,

Britany Levinson & family

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From: lauren finch
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:51
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the decks!

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Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

 From:
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From: Wilver Gonzalez
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:53
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Restaurant Dining Decks

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Good Afternoon,

It has been brought to our attention that the city of Palm Desert is attempting to eliminate all dining decks in Palm Desert and El Paseo. This is a terrible mistake as it has significantly improved our community. It allows us to enjoy our beautiful weather, bring our pups to eat with us, and adds charm to our community.

I will voting against any incumbent that votes to eliminate dining decks in Palm Desert.

Thank you,



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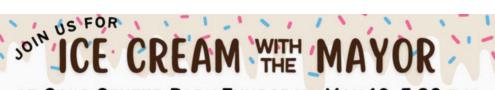
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: James Welch

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 15:56

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Please keep the Dining Decks on El Paseo!

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I'm a recent full time resident of Palm Desert and can say that the outdoor dining option along El Paseo (which I can walk to) was one of the key reasons we chose PD over other Valley cities. Please do not harm businesses and the fun of residents by outlawing or substantially reducing them.

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Deck dining on El Paseo & Hwy 111

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From: RSVP Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 16:27 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Deck dining on El Paseo & Hwy 111

We LOVE all of the outdoor space at restaurants that Covid created and PLEASE DO NOT remove them!! Dining outside makes this area even cooler than it already is!!! #Welikebigdecks!! Sincerely, Palm Desert homeowner!

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: We like big decks!

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From: Arianna
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 16:31
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: We like big decks!

To whom it may concern,

I have spent half time in Palm Desert for 3 years and absolutely love the community and the surrounding small businesses. The decks are what makes El Paseo and 111 restaurants amazing!! People love being outdoors, not to mention small business having an outside space to generate additional revenue.

Please reconsider this decision to remove the decks or make them obselete. I'm a restaurant tour and have been involved in the F&B business for almost half of my life, my business partner and I are seriously considering opening up a restaurant or small Lounge type bar but this decision would be a very big deterrent to us with our business plan.

PALM DESERT NEEDS BIG DECKS!

Thank you.

Arianna Courte CEO Wine N Dine

 From:
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 To:
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From:

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 16:35To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>Subject: Regarding decks

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Please reconsider this decision to remove the decks or make them obselete. PALM DESERT NEEDS THEM!

Thank you.

Arianna CEO www.CourteConsulting.com

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Gina DeMaria
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 16:45
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save our decks and parklets!

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Good afternoon City of Palm Desert,

We love outdoor dining! We love our parklets and decks. Please don't take them away and please don't make them difficult for business owners to keep.

As you know, these businesses worked very hard to stay alive during Covid and suffered a great financial loss. We should work with them to keep them alive.

I'm unsure of the reason behind this decision. I can't find any.

Please reconsider.

Thank you, Gina DeMaria
 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
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From: Jonathan Brannon
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 16:52

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Decks on El Paseo - KEEP THEM!

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In your upcoming discussions on decks on El Paseo - your community majority is in support of keeping them.

As a city we need to take advantage of helping our local business owners build their businesses up, not insist they shrink and contract. Growth of local business increases jobs, revenue and as a result income to the city through higher tax revenues.

Keep the decks!!!

#youlikebigdecks

Respectfully

Jon Brannon

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
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From: Tori Montgomery
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 17:27
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: New outdoor dining changes

Hi,

I'm a La Quinta resident but spend a significant amount of time each week in Palm Desert. Over the past few years, outdoor dining has become part of the charm of the city and allows small businesses to cater to more customers.

I really am discouraged by the changes that are being made, especially as it seems as though it's just a way for you to grab more money from places that make this city so special. Either that or you want to kill the specialness that these spaces have allowed our community to get together and meet fellow residents.

Please reconsider, Tori

Tori Montgomery

 From:
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 To:
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From: Skip Paige

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 17:47

To: Nick Melloni <nmelloni@palmdesert.gov>; Karen Devine <karen.devine@kesq.com>; Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Dining deck presentation

Hi Nick.

Copied here is Karen Devine from KESQ. Can you please send her the presentation and letter you have for the dining decks? Thanks.

Skip Paige



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From: Brent Abrahamsen
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 18:55
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: El Paseo decks

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I understand you are planning on effectively eliminating the restaurant decks on El Paseo and along highway 111.

I ask that you reconsider.

The decks add to the vibrant atmosphere of the area and provide the restaurants with additional outdoor seating in an area where it is already difficult to find availability during the peak season and during the many Coachella Valley events. Many of these restaurants struggled during covid and these decks provided (and continue to provide) additional revenue and an economic lifeline. Additionally, Covid is still here and these outdoor areas provide a respite and peace of mind for those of us with breathing issues and autoimmune disorders.

Please allow them to remain.

The overall covid experience was so difficult for all of us and the creation of these outdoor eating spaces was one of the only positive things to come out of it.

Brent Abrahamsen

, Palm Desert

 From:
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From: Dave Marmon
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 19:19
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Outdoor dining guidelines

Hello,

I recently learned about pending guidelines that would ban outdoor dining and decks on El Paseo and HWY 111. As a Palm Desert resident I would like to voice my opposition to these changes. Outdoor dining and seating is an essential part of life in the city today. It makes the areas more vibrant and fun, brings a sense of community, brings in money for businesses and most importantly lets us all take advantage of our greatest asset, our beautiful weather and scenery.

Please consider allowing current guidelines for outdoor dining and decks to remain in place.

Thank you, Dave Marmon
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From: Colm Smith

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:34

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Please leave the outdoor decks!

Thanks!

Colm

 From:
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 To:
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From: Joe Mulhearn

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:35

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Keep the decks and patios

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Its nice to go to Palm Desert and sit out on the outside decks or patios at places along 111.

Please keep that available. Thanks.

Joe

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From: Allison Linnell

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:36

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Dining Decks

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I do hope you do not do away with dining decks. There are a few restaurants that really rely on these decks and I love being able to dine outdoors. Allison Linnell

 From:
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 To:
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From: Dave Costello
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:50
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Little bar dining deck

Please do not force Little Bar restaurant & bar to remove their beautiful and well constructed patio seating area.

This patio adds much needed room and ambiance to this fantastic restaurant & bar and still allows for ample parking spaces.

Little Bar was forced to build out this patio during covid just to stay in business and should not be penalized by losing it.

Please allow Little Bar to keep their beautiful & functional patio in Palm Desert.

Regards,

Dave Costello

(Little Bar patron)

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Fw: BIG DECKS-THE LITTLE BAR

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: harley@isomedia.com Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:51

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Cc:

Subject: BIG DECKS-THE LITTLE BAR

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Good Morning City of Palm Desert,

I have a home at **a second of** in Palm Desert and my wife and I enjoy going to the Little Bar on HWY 111 to enjoy Taco Tuesday. Their establishment is small inside and so they have a large deck outside to accommodate their customers. We enjoy being outside and enjoy their food and their spirits. If the outside decking is removed this establishment would not survive and the employees would need to be let go. I am not in favor of removing decks from the ambiance of Palm Desert.

Harley O'Neil, Jr.

Palm Desert, CA 92260

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Decks

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From: Carol Long
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:51
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Decks

I find no objection to the decks on 111. I think El Paseo are okay as well. Carol Long

Palm Desert 92360

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail for iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Outdoor dining on the decks!

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From: Kate Spates

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:51

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outdoor dining on the decks!

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Dear Palm Desert Community Relations Manager,

If you've ever traveled to virtually any European city or any place with weather a fraction of how glorious our weather is, you would see people dining outdoors on sidewalks, walkways and yes, streets. We must save the outdoor dining decks in Palm Desert.

The only good thing that came from the pandemic is the pivot to outdoor dining with these parklet decks. Places like Kitchen 86, Armando's, Sweet Basil, il Corso and the Fix became our new favorites because we had the ability to enjoy our beautiful weather while we dine. It felt very European or coastal and it begged the question, "why wouldn't we have this all the time?"

Hearing that the city has introduced new guidelines that would have business owners paying rent, in many cases more than what they pay per square for for interior space, along with expensive tear down and rebuild orders only to guarantee they could stay for a year is just anti-business. It will kill some businesses, people will lose jobs and it's just anti-common sense! All coming right before businesses suffer in the summer. Who thinks this is a good idea?

I urge you to reconsider and hear from the community you serve.

Thank you,

~Kate

Kate Spates call or text
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Dining Decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Deb Kallok

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:55

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Dining Decks

Please save the dining decks in Palm Desert. It's been really nice having the outdoor dining since Covid hit us in 2020. Some people still do not like to eat indoors because of Covid and some of the establishments are small inside

Sincerely,

Deborah A Kallok Palm Desert Resident

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: RESTAURANT OUTDOOR DINING DECKS

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From: L. Price

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:00

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** RESTAURANT OUTDOOR DINING DECKS

I have been a resident of the valley for 42 years, and I'm horrified that you are planning to outlow restaurants' large dining outdoor decks. First of all, restaurants are still recovering from losing so much during Covid shut-downs. Secondly, they are all very nicely built with lovely flowers and decorations, and not only tourists, but residents enjoy dining outside. And, it's probably healthier for us to remain outside. Covid is still out there, as are lots of other viruses, and people are safer dining outside. These decks are not hindering traffic on El Paseo (I use El Paseo several times a week in my travels around town). I very much enjoy dining out at all the outdoor spots on El Paseo.

Please reconsider this plan and allow these restaurants to have their outdoor dining spaces so they can continue to serve more people in our beautiful desert and enjoying our beautiful desert vistas while doing so. After all, that's what our cities here advertise the most about - OUR SCENERY. Let us enjoy it while dining too.

Thank you for considering.

Lorraine Price Palm Desert, CA



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From: To: Subject: Date: Attachments: Ryland Penta CouncilMeeting Comments Fw: Keep the Decks Thursday, May 9, 2024 3:17:39 PM FLLogoEmailSig.png pdlogo_e8fc6661-d5ed-470d-b1e5-b34884233d29.png icecreamwiththemayorbanner_2fd8f88e-cd95-4bbc-8225-d1a5304b56e8.png



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From:

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:01To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>Subject: Keep the Decks

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To PD City Council:

In response to your efforts to regulate and basically wipe out the remaining decks that are remaining on El Paseo and along Hwy 111. I strongly feel that the decks are a plus to the city and to the restaurants that utilize them. As a desert resident who has been in the area since 1968 I remember the days when El Paseo was a sleepy street that used to close by 3pm with hardly any restaurants along the corridor. These decks have helped make it a vibrant area that people want to visit and frequent often. If you loose the decks you lose additional revenue the city needs too keep the city moving forward as a hospitality area. Remember our desert cities are a hospitality area that this type of business is built on! I feel that you are going in the wrong direction and should be promoting these even more! If you have ever traveled to any European city such as Paris or Rome outdoor dining is at the heart of their success! Don't listen to the negative people against these proven methods of attracting tourist and patrons! There has never been more tourist visiting the PD area and the decks have helped make it that way! Move forward not backwards!!!!

SAVE THE DECKS!!!!

Thank you Raphael Aguirre!



Raphael Aguirre

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Dining decks on El Paseo

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From: Rod Duncan
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:07
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Dining decks on El Paseo

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Every few months my wife and I dine at the Daily Grill and always ask to be seated outside. We love to people and car watch. I hope you reconsider your decision to restrict dinning decks.

Rod Duncan Indio CA

Sent from my iPad

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Allow the outdoor decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Colin Taylor

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:05

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Allow the outdoor decks

Please allow the restaurants in Palm Desert to have the outdoor decks.

Colin Taylor

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Save the Decks

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From: swjwwj jenkins
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:05
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the Decks

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Please save the dining decks. They add a great deal of ambiance to the street scene...Walter Jenkins

Walter Jenkins

 From:
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 To:
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 Fw: Keep the Decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Remus Haste

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:10

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Keep the Decks

Dear City:

Can you stop being so good at putting businesses out of business, you bow down to the few complainers at the needs of the many.

Sent from my iPhone Sincerely,

Remus Haste

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Lili

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:23 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject:

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What in the world is wrong with the council people of Palm Desert!??? To remove the patios along El Paseo and 111 so that the decks are no longer available for restaurants??? You people should focus on the real problems of the desert and not the outside decks that people love!!!!

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Fw: Outdoor dining

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From: Cindy Walsh
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:26
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Outdoor dining

Cynthia Walsh

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Lisa Jacques
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:42
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the Decks

I Love sitting on the outside decks. Please save them

Thank you Lisa Jacques Sent from my iPhone
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Open decks

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From: William Moreno
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 8:57

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Open decks

I like the idea of open decks outside of restaurants. When the weather is good it's the best way to enjoy a great meal. My friends Dom out of town love to visit these locations on El Paseo. Sent from my iPad

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
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From: Russell Nash
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:09
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Patio decks

We need to keep the decks in El Paso Sent from my iPhone
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: #youlikebigdecks

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From: James LinnellSent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:27To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: #youlikebigdecks

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
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From: Patrick Overturf

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:35

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** We want Big Decks

?

The one good thing that came out of Covid was the outdoor dining. People still don't like being inside especially with people still getting sick.

We hope that you will reconsider the removal of outdoor eating decks on El Paseo and Highway 111.

Thanks,

Patrick Overturf

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Save the Decks

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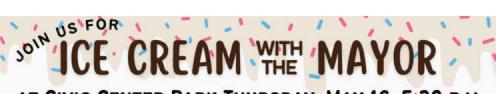
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From:

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:48 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Save the Decks

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I have lived in Palm Desert for almost 32 years and I have greatly enjoyed the decks along the streets of Palm Desert. During the season and during the warmer summer evenings it is nice to be outside and see the sites. Please allow the restaurants that have the outside dining to keep them, as long as they stay safe for the dining public and vehicles on the streets. Dewey Berry

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Save the decks

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From: Doug Bryant Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:49 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Save the decks

As a resident of Palm Desert I would like to see the patio decks remain. Not everyone likes to eat inside a dark and dank restaurant. Sent from my iPhone
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: #welikebigdecks

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 9:54To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>Subject: #welikebigdecks

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Please do not remove the deck of Little Bar et al....Peter Smith, Rancho Mirage

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: #ilikebigdecks

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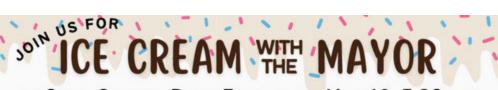
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Allen Nicely
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:10
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: #ilikebigdecks

Outdoor dining is what California is all about. Don't close a good thing. If outdoor was good with Covid it's better without Allen Nicely

Alleli Nicely

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: I support restaurant dining decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Zeigler Vicki

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:15

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: I support restaurant dining decks

?

I understand that the City of Palm Desert recently released guidelines that would virtually eliminate the restaurant dining decks on El Paseo and Highway 111. My husband and I are longtime year-round Palm Desert residents. We frequently enjoy outdoor dining and feel that these decks are welcome additions to the South Palm Desert restaurant scene. We encourage the city to support the outdoor dining decks -- and **not** to restrict them out of existence.

Sincerely,

Vicki Zeigler

Palm Desert CA 92260 Vicki Zeigler Cellular Phone:
 From:
 Ryland Penta

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From:

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:19 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Out door decks

Hello,

The proposed legislation regarding deck dining on route 111 would be harmful to many of our favorite businesses, including little bar. Please reconsider putting this legislation through. I don't understand why governmental entities (supposed to be for the people) get so involved in little rules and regulations that can destroy livelihoods for nonsensical reasons. The status quo has been working well, is there nothing better our politicians can do than harm small businesses?

Thanks,

Aaron

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Lynn STOLLER
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:20
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Temporary Decks

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I realize that temporary outdoor decks were allowed during COVID to allow restaurants to serve outside when service was not possible inside. This saved many restaurants as well as people's sanity. They also provided new visibility to restaurants and, for those who survived, an ability to expand and thrive in a new, creative way. While I live in Indio now, I lived in Palm Desert in 2020. My children and grandchildren live there now. Palm Desert and all its many restaurants are near and dear to me. Please don't take the decks away.

Sincerely,



 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Please Please continue with the restaurant decks on El Paseo and 111

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Don Leve

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:34

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Please Please Please continue with the restaurant decks on El Paseo and 111

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YES. PLEASE CONTINUE WITH RESTAURANT DECKS ON EL PASEO AND 111. THEY MAKE DINING ENJOYABLE.

Best regards,

Don Leve Sent from my MacBook Pro
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Save the restaurant decks on El Paseo Palm Desert

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From: John Reynolds
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 10:46
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the restaurant decks on El Paseo Palm Desert

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Deborah Blades Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:00 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Restaurant Decks

I read that Palm Desert is releasing new ordinances that will reduce or eliminate our decks for restaurants along El Paseo. I am writing to express my concern regarding this action and hope the Council reconsiders. The decks add precious space for dining outside in our beautiful Coachella environment. The decks are appreciated by both residents and tourists. Please reconsider your advisory.

Thank you Deborah Blades

Palm Desert

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Say yes on decks

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From: Liz Kanter

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:01

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Say yes on decks

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Dining outside is one of the great aspects of Palm Desert. Don't take away our slice of being outdoors.

Liz

Indian Wells

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Decks on El Paseo

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From: SUZANE WILBUR

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:10

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Decks on El Paseo

Please do not eliminate the restaurant decks on El Paseo. They are a unique dining experience, especially during times when the indoor part of the restaurants are at capacity. Also, during the summer, the decks provide shade for diners.

Thank you.

Suzane and Pat Wilbur Palm Desert, CA
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: We like big decks!!

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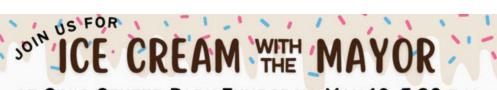
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Neil Linder

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:38

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** We like big decks!!

We like big decks they make dining and drinking more interesting yes to decks to eat and drink on!! Neil Linder Sent from my iPhone
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: We like Big Decks

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From: Victoria Kaminsky
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:44
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: We like Big Decks

Please keep the big decks for dining near El Paseo and Highway 111 in Palm Desert. We would really disappointed since we dine in these areas outside all the time. Thank you Vicki Kaminsky
 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: #ilikebigdecks

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From: Kim Kambo Pura

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 11:47

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** #ilikebigdecks

Save the decks! Please they make certain places like Little Bar so special and would be detrimental to their business.

Kim Mathis

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Outside dining decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Russ Omey

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 13:08

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outside dining decks

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Please do not eliminate outside dining decks. It's great to sit outside in beautiful Palm Desert weather and enjoy food and drinks. We like big decks on El Paseo and Highway 111. Thank you.

Russ & Colette Omey (residents for 21 years)

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Colleen Armstrong
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 13:24
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the decks

Hello,

Please allow the extended dining patios for the restaurants on el Paseo and 111 to remain open

We have enjoyed many times on these patios during and post Covid, and I am sure it has allowed the businesses to recoup/recover from the devastation they faced during the pandemic.

Considering how busy most of the patios seem to be, it would be yet another blow to an already struggling sector of our small businesses.

Thank you very much for your time and we truly hope the city of Palm desert reconsiders closing the decks/patios, and considers the long term success of our bars and restaurants.

Best regards,

Colleen Armstrong

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Please don"t get rid of outdoor dining!

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Sherri Marmon
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 13:29
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Please don't get rid of outdoor dining!

To the City of Palm Desert:

I am a Palm Desert resident and just learned that you are trying to enforce new guidelines to eliminate dining decks on El Paseo and Highway 111. I felt the need to voice my objection to your proposed new guidelines and urge you to please allow restaurants to keep their outdoor dining decks.

Many businesses invested a lot of time and money building outdoor dining spaces during a time when it was a struggle just to stay afloat. Now with nationally rising food and other costs it's hard enough to keep any business going. These dedicated local businesses (and yes, we're mostly talking about locally-owned, non-chain businesses) contribute hugely to our community and give patrons like me a much-needed sense of belonging that becomes more important every day.

The last thing you should do is make it even more difficult for our local businesses to stay afloat, or to punish local residents by removing crucial communal gathering spaces where we can support our local businesses. I see no benefit to removing outdoor dining decks. Abundant parking is already available around both El Paseo and 111 so there is no pressing need to free up more pavement. Your proposal would only have the opposite effect: making it harder (or sometimes impossible) for customers to patronize smaller establishments during busy times if space were to be limited to indoor seating. Not to mention, a big reason many of us choose to live here is the views, and outdoor dining allows us to take advantage of the surrounding beauty as much as possible.

Please keep outdoor dining decks alive in Palm Desert.

Respectfully, Sherri Marmon
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Fw: Little Bar Deck

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Max Bean Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 13:59 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Cc: Little Bar Subject: Little Bar Deck

I love the Little Bar deck. it's so fun to go there and sit outside and enjoy a meal..

Please help save it.

Max Bean

Los Angeles, CA 90066 * please note new unit #

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 From:
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 To:
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 Fw: Big decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Larry Kaminsky
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 14:33
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Big decks

We love the big decks. That is one of the unique features of the Palm Desert restaurants. Please don't get rid of them Thanks Larry Kaminsky

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From:

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 14:50To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>Subject: Save the Decks

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There are few positives that came from the COVID crisis that crippled many of us mentally and emotionally. One of them was the extended outdoor dining along El Paseo. It definitely breathed a more vibrant feel to the stretch. Hearing murmurs that you are considering eliminating these outdoor patio spaces and as a Palm Desert tax payer and year round resident, that is incredibly disappointing. I certainly hope the city will be sharing with the community their reasoning behind this decision. SheriMW

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Restaurant decks

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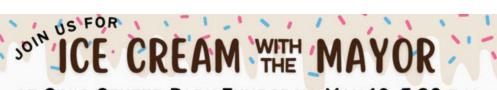
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Jim Ventris
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 16:21
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Restaurant decks

As Palm Desert residents we prioritize where we dine by access to their outside decks. Please do not change the current policies. It would harm local restaurants and reduce revenue.

Jim Ventris

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Deck removal on El Paseo

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Marci OBrien

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 15:42

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Deck removal on El Paseo

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To whom it may concern,

Please keep the decks! They have become one with the area & are very important as the restaurants we go to need them so we can get a seat as there is increased visitors to the area all year now!

Make it a Delightful Day! Cheers!

Marci O'Brien

 From:
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 To:
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 Fw: Save outdoor dining decks

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Barbara Johns

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 15:58

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Save outdoor dining decks

Please don't be shortsighted enough to remove the outdoor dining decks that expand our local restaurants and their footprints. These add an ambience and friendly atmosphere all around our city, and saddling restaurant owners with unwieldy restrictions and unconscionable "fees" is both unfair and ridiculous.

The city is raking in taxes all over the place (think surf park) and can certainly afford to give restauranteurs a break.

What is your ultimate goal? To squeeze more money out of an already-stressed component of our community?

How about focusing instead on making this a more charming place to live?

We love the outdoor dining decks and El Paseo needs them along with everyone else.

Barbara Johns Palm Desert
 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Outdoor decks.

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Glen Brook Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 16:14

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outdoor decks.

We like big outdoor decks. Please do not cut them back when they have been a huge success especially when visitors come to Palm Desert. They tell us it is like a touch of Europe. Please do not get rid of something that has helped ElPaso thrive again. Sent from my iPhone

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Concerns Over Proposed Fees for Outdoor Decks on El Paseo and Highway 111

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Rich Barnes

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 16:29

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Concerns Over Proposed Fees for Outdoor Decks on El Paseo and Highway 111

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Dear Palm Desert City Council Members,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposed fees for outdoor decks used by restaurants along El Paseo and Highway 111. As a resident of Palm Desert, these outdoor spaces are essential for maintaining the unique character and appeal of our community.

The decks not only add a vibrant atmosphere but also serve as welcoming spaces for people of all ages, from the young to the elderly and families. They are crucial for enjoying the outdoor lifestyle that is a hallmark of living in Palm Desert. These spaces provide a dynamic environment that cannot be replicated by mere parking spots. Removing or reducing these vital areas in favor of additional parking would not only diminish our city's charm but could also negatively impact the local economy, which benefits from the attractive, pedestrian-friendly settings that these decks provide.

Moreover, these outdoor decks are more than just dining areas; they are community hubs where memories are made and local culture is celebrated. Imposing onerous fees on these spaces could discourage business owners from maintaining or expanding outdoor seating areas, potentially leading to a less vibrant community space.

I urge the council to consider these points and the long-term impacts of the proposed fees on

the quality of life and economic vitality in Palm Desert. We should be encouraging businesses to utilize outdoor spaces that enhance our community, rather than imposing financial burdens that could lead to their reduction.

Thank you for considering my views on this important matter. I am hopeful that a decision will be made that supports the continued vibrancy and character of our beloved Palm Desert.

Sincerely,



 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Patios are dog friendly

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From: Scott Hendrickson
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 16:38
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Patios are dog friendly

We moved to Palm Desert just over a year ago and we like taking our dog to the patios like Kitchen 86 and especially Little Bar. Please allow these patio spaces to remain open.

Regards, Scott Hendrickson
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
 Fw: Outdoor dining decks on El Paseo

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: J. J.

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 16:55

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outdoor dining decks on El Paseo

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Who would want to eat on a busy road with all the smog exhaust, heat, dust, sand, etc. it makes no kind of sense to me whatsoever.

I say get rid of them . They're slowing down traffic Sincerely John Jeffreys

Palm Desert, CA 92260

 From:
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 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Jill Maroney
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 17:58
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Palm Desert Restaurant Decks

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Dear City of Palm Desert, Please let our restaurants who put decks in during Covid keep them! It is one of the best things to happen in the city, making it feel so much more like a neighborhood. It's so lovely to be able to sit out in the beautiful weather and enjoy visiting with friends and a lovely meal. Thank you for your consideration,

Jill Maroney

 From:
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 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: KENNETH MCDOW

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 17:27

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outside dining decks

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I do not know why this is being discussed. Everyone enjoys the option of sitting inside or outside. Plus it allows for additional seating to eliminate waiting times. I eat out at least 4 times a week and do sit outside. Most people have commented it feels like Europe. Also with more business there are more tax dollars.

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From: Dan Krause
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 18:06
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the decks!

Dear Palm Desert Community Leaders,

My understanding is that there is pending decisions that may effect outside dinning along El Paseo and HWY 111. As a resident and property owner of Palm Desert, I have been become a fan of outdoor dinning on these Covid era decks. I have to say I was not a fan to begin with. My fears at first were regarding accidents and sidewalk blocking. I walk and drive on El Paseo and 111 all the time and my fears were unwarranted. They provide delightful outdoor dinning options, more capacity which is good for restaurants, good for consumers and good for jobs!!

I encourage you to weigh your decision carefully and consider the wildly good these structures provide verses the very little problems they have caused. Lets error on the side of our businesses, our consumers and our seasonal visitors!!

Thank you so much! Dan Krause Palm Dessert, CA 92260

Sent from my iPhone

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 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Kelly Taylor
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 18:57
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Save the decks

To whom it may concern,

Please allow palm desert restaurant and bars to maintain their outdoor seating, patios and decks. We thoroughly enjoy experiencing the city via outdoor seating at local establishments. It is a huge draw for visitors and locals alike.

But more importantly, the success of small businesses and jobs may depend on the ability to accommodate guests in this fashion.

My family has been in this area since 2017.

Sincerely,

Kelly Taylor

 From:
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 To:
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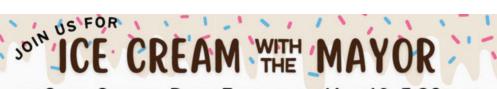
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From: Janet Haire

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 20:35

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Please save the decks!

Please allow our restaurants to keep their decks, especially Little Bar, The Fix, Daily Grill....

Thank you

Janet

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 To:
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From: Jean Yount

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 20:44

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Restaurant outdoor dining decks

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I am writing to lend my support to our local restaurants that currently operate with dining decks. I am opposed to any changes that would eliminate the dining decks or make them financially difficult to maintain. There were so few positive things that came out of COVID, but these outdoor decks were definitely one of them.

In addition to supporting our restaurant owners, I believe these decks greatly help our tourist economy. During "season", it can be difficult to get into restaurants due to the restaurants being at capacity. Diminishing their dining capacity will make this problem worse. Reduced capacity will also result in less need for servers, which in turn will not help our unemployment numbers.

Thank you,



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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Jack Allen

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 6:56

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Dining Decks

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Good morning,

Please review again and reduce the fee for the dining decks at our local restaurants. **#youlikebigdecks**

Respectfully,



Virus-free.<u>www.avast.com</u>

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 To:
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From: Fredy Gerber
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 8:03
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Restaurant Dining Decks



The dining decks on El Paseo and elsewhere in Palm Desert add A LOT of pleasure and sophistication to our city.

They are a very welcome addition. One of the very few positive things to come out of the pandemic.

This is so much more inviting to the entire El Paseo experience. More lively and less corporate and boring.

Should they be diminished or eliminated we'd be more likely to go back to Palm Springs for dining and cocktails instead.

Please don't mess it up!

Regards,

Fred

Fred Gerber Certified Sommelier CMS Fred Gerber Wine Consulting



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From: Lorraine Sharp
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 8:48
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject:

I'm glad the city is finally doing some thing about the dining decks... They are an eyesore... especially kitchen 86... Horrible...

Lorraine Sharp Palm Desert, CA

Sent from Lorrie's iPhone

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Palm Desert guidelines for the restaurant decks along El Paseo and Highway 111

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Eric Caplain

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 8:49

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Palm Desert guidelines for the restaurant decks along El Paseo and Highway 111

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I am very much in favor of retaining the existing restaurant decks along El Paseo and Hwy 111.

They are convenient They add a nice open market place aesthetic They are good for our Palm Desert businesses

I think it would be a very unfortunate mistake to eliminate or restrict them.

Please reconsider!

Thank you

Eric Palm Desert, CA 92211

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 To:
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 Fw: Sidewalk seating

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Susan Williams
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 9:31
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Sidewalk seating

Please allow restaurants to continue the expanded patios added during the pandemic. It allows us to sit outside and adds to the ambiance of each restaurant. Thanks for considering. Susan Williams

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
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 To:
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 Subject:
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From: Sally Hayden

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 11:56

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Subject: Restaurant deck requirements

Dear sirs,

It was disappointing to hear of the additional requirements and restrictions you plan to impose on restaurants on el paleo and why 111 for outside seating. These businesses have already incurred huge losses due to pandemic. We need to support our small businesses which provide employment and enjoyment to our community.

Thank you for. Your consideration Sally Hayden

Sent from my iPad

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 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Big decks on El Paseo

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From: CHERYL FRENCHI Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 13:28 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Big decks on El Paseo

To whom it may concern,

I am a long time resident of Palm Desert and truly enjoy dinning outside on the patios on El Paseo. It seems to me after Covid the council would not try to harm the income of the business that already took a betting during that time period. As a community we should be helping our business. This would affect their income, plus limit the amount of people dinning at their establishments. It doesn't interfere with anything so I don't understand why you want to stop the outside patios. I sincerely hope you will reconsider taking them away.

You would be making a big mistake to our community. Regards, Cheryl Frenchi 30 year full time resident of Palm Desert.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Donna Stone

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 14:47

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** save the decks

Only the encroaching decks on El Paseo should be removed, not others, especially the Little Bar which does not encroach on anything but a parking lot. Please save it. Donna & Lee Stone Palm Desert
 From:
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 To:
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From: Margeret Fritz

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 18:29

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Outside patio restaurants

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So many of us have health conditions and autoimmune disorders and these outdoor patios are the only way we can have a semi-normal life. Covid, RSV, flu and colds are still here.

Please don't discourage restaurants from getting rid of these.

Thank you, Margeret Fritz
 From:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Noel Dodge

Sent: Wednesday, Way 1, 2024 19:53

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Dining decks on El Paseo and Hwy 111

I do not support the ban of dining decks in Palm Desert. They are an asset to the restaurants and create a fun and inviting atmosphere. Please reconsider banning them. Thank you.

Noel

Blvd Palm Desert, CA 92260 Sent from my iPhone
 From:
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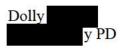
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From: Dolly Samson Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 5:08

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Save our decks!

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As a PD resident and frequenter of El Paseo restaurants, I love the outdoor decks for dining. Please don't create onerous rules that forces removal of them!



 From:
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 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Erin Kube Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 8:01 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: #youlikebigdecks

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This new rule is arbitrary and unnecessary. Why a community would want to take away a huge source of community income, by a rule that will drive people away not attract them AND hurt a large amount of business revenue generation along with their employees income...

There is no reason for it. If this goes through - it will not go well.

Sincerely,

Erin Kube | Palm Desert resident

Desert, CA 92211

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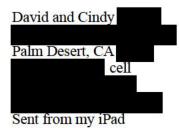
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From: David Caretto Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 12:57 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>; Jan Harnik <jharnik@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Outdoor restaurant patios on El Paseo

Good afternoon,

We are writing today on behalf of Sweet Basil Restaurant and the other restaurants on El Paseo with patios extending into the street. We are urging you not to move forward with the demand to remove the patios and require them to be rebuilt later after street paving. This will present a great hardship to many of the restaurants and to Sweet Basil in particular. The issue of street side patios and being able to cross the sidewalk with liquor will be reviewed again by the State Legislature and/or ABC in 2026. It only seems logical to wait for the State to make a determination on these issues before forcing the restaurants to completely dismantle and then rebuild the patios. Surely the repaving of the street can wait until that determination on the future of these patios is completed. For the benefit of the seven restaurants with street side patios, and especially Sweet Basil, we urge you to postpone the paving of El Paseo to a future date after legislative action in 2026. Thank you for your consideration.



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From: Tom Walsh Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 12:46 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: El Paseo Street Dining patios

To whom it may concern,

I understand that the street dining patios will need to be removed and rebuilt. This is a huge expense for the restaurants on the street that could cause some to shut down. If the space is eliminated it definitely will cause shutdowns. Please reconsider this move.

Respectfully, Tom Walsh

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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Liz Lashbrook

Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 13:27

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** SAVE OUR EL PASEO PATIOS!

Dear Nick-

We have heard that by June 30th you are making all El Paseo businesses remove their patios. Many of these are permanent structures that the small businesses owners won't be able to afford replacing.

Please WAIT to re-pave in 2026 when the state requires it so that the owners can have more time recovering from the covid years. (These patios are one good thing we have from covid!)

Thankfully we have small business owners on El Paseo as opposed to franchises. Small businesses will be forced to close without their quaint, fun, patios! El Paseo patios are good for retailers too!

The El Paseo patios are family friendly, slow down traffic, and create a charm that the city needs. Please SAVE OUR PATIOS.

The pavement down El Paseo is not as bad as most streets elsewhere in Palm Desert. Please wait till 2026 which will give them time to prepare and coincide with the state mandates.

Thank you, Concerned Homeower:



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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Trudi Pressman
Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 16:34
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject:



To whom it may concern.

Today it came to my attention, while having lunch at Sweet Basil that you are planning to remove all patios on El Paseo. I wholeheartedly DISAGREE with that undertaking. El Paseo has changed a lot over the years and many people now come to the beautiful blvd. to relax and dine out in the open with their friends and family. Removing the patios would not only be a huge expense for the dining establishments, but it would make El Paseo drab and more desolate. The bulk of the activity on El Paseo and the big draw is the outdoor dining, it adds a cheerful and happy atmosphere to otherwise boring and hot sidewalks. Once people dine or have beverages they then walk and shop. This is essential to get people in the local shops. It also gathers a large amount of people who would otherwise go elsewhere. Please reconsider this drastic move.

Thank you Trudi Pressman
 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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 Subject:
 Fw: Save the Decks

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From: Marsha Ferm

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 8:12

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Save the Decks

Love outdoor dining. Motivates our choice of restaurants.

More restaurant seating = more sales. Employs more restaurant personnel thus more income/taxes.

It's not brain surgery to figure out deck dining is a great thing.

Marsha Ferm

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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From: JIm Burke

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 10:26

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> **Subject:** Small Business Support

As long term residents of Palm Desert we believe in supporting small businesses.

During the COVID years small restaurants were allowed to build outdoor structures on El Paseo to survive.

The idea worked to the point that the restaurants now survive because the additional seating offsets today's costs.

Asking these small businesses to break down and then reinstall their outdoor structures to accommodate a paving project will drive some of them out of business.

We suggest two alternatives. Why not pave to the edge of the existing structures? A second suggestion is for the city to absorb the costs of the removal and reinstatement.

It seems to us that the first suggestion is a win\win solution. The second alternative shifts the cost to an entity capable of absorbing it.

Both solutions preserve small businesses. We certainly do not need more vacancies on our flagship street.

Respectfully

Judy Blossom and James Burke

Sent from my iPhone

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: TB Greene

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 12:02

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Outdoor Dining

😰 Hello,

As a resident of Palm Desert and patron of PD establishments, I am lodging my request that all dining establishments are able to retain their OUTDOOR DECKS/PATIOS. I understand there are changes coming that aim to eliminate these outdoor patios. Personally, I believe it has added to restaurant earnings and would be a mistake to eliminate. I'm sure those earnings must be translating into tax income for Palm Desert. Why do away with that?

The tourists LOVE the outdoor dining. And this resident LOVES it. #ilikebigdecks :)

Thank you, Terry

Terry Greene Owner - Wine Skirts

 From:
 Ryland Penta

 To:
 CouncilMeeting Comments

 Subject:
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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From:

Sent: Saturday, May 4, 2024 7:15To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>Subject: Big Decks - Heck Yes!

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#welikebigdecks #outdoordining #unitepalmdesert #theonegoodthingaboutcovid #savethediningdecks #parklets From: **Ryland Penta CouncilMeeting Comments** To: Subject: Fw: Outdoor eating Date: Thursday, May 9, 2024 3:10:41 PM Attachments: pdlogo e8fc6661-d5ed-470d-b1e5-b34884233d29.png icecreamwiththemayorbanner 2fd8f88e-cd95-4bbc-8225-d1a5304b56e8.png



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AT CIVIC CENTER PARK THURSDAY, MAY 16, 5:30 P.M.

From: Kathy Mieske Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 9:42 To: Community Relations < CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Outdoor eating



Hello,

I hope you people at the city are listening to what the public wants. The outdoor eating areas are necessary and essential for the restaurants. The owners have invested their money into these areas and are still struggling to recover from the pandemic.

We don't need more empty business along the Paseo.

Give these restaurant owners a break and revisit in 2 years.

Thank you. Hank and Kathy

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 From:
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 To:
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From: Michael Humphries Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 23:15 To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov> Subject: Parklets in Palm Desert

Hi

A few words in support of parklets in Palm Desert.

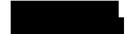
The concept of parklets got many of us as both customers of local restaurants and owners of them through the dark days of Covid. Without parklets a bright continuing new outdoor experience dining here would not have been possible. And many restaurants would not have survived. A lot did not anyway and are gone likely forever. Others should not be forced to follow them.

Ending parklets or requiring they be dismantled and then rebuilt again at large expense to the restaurant owner will a fatal blow to many of these small establishments that earlier fought the odds and survived. And a large percentage of customers like me have discovered we love the option of enjoying the beautiful outdoor settings parklets provide. Such as places we frequent like Sweet Basil, Armando's and Little Bar- each with a local year-round customer following.

Please reconsider this new policy. It is hard to see how there will be any winners resulting from the current indicated policy direction. A lot of thriving establishments in Palm Desert will cease to exist. And no one will be better for it.

Regards Mike Humphries

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 From:
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 To:
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 Fw: Sidewalk dining

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From: James Jones
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2024 13:19
To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: Sidewalk dining

Dear City Managers:

Having dinner on the El Paseo last evening, we were told that the city will begin permitting outdoor dining, (after first removing the structures that protect us from the moronic drivers and motorcycles on that street,) then upon permitting they can be rebuilt. This is too early to go back to business as usual....covid and rsv are not gone and you can bet that another virulent virus will emerge to bite us all again.

Restaurants with outdoor dining and takeout saved the El Paseo over that last three years. They generated a great deal of revenue when most shops were closed. Now you want to punish those same restaurants (actually even unfairly discriminate) with very expensive permitting and the cost of tearing out and replacing some very nice structures that added great detail to the El Paseo. This is very poor treatment to mostly small business owners who struggled to make ends meet daily during covid. They are an asset to our community and deserve better.

I suggest Palm Desert place a moratorium on this permitting scheme for two years while we determine if covid is really gone and pandemics are no longer a threat. Keep the revenue coming in for the Restaurants so they can catch up and prepare for a process that will have a dramatic impact on their business.

Please rethink this program and give restaurant owners the break they deserve and a much needed chance to catch up.

Thanks for listening.

James Jones

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 From:
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From: OWEN WHITEHALL

Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 13:09

To: Community Relations <CommunityRelations@palmdesert.gov>

Cc:

Subject: Outdoor Dining Deck Program

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Hello, my name is Owen Whitehall. My wife and I own a property in Palm Desert and spend the winter and spring here. We love this city and all that it has to offer. It's truly a unique place and has earned the accolades it receives.

We like many others enjoy El Paseo for its shops and restaurants. We eat out at least 3-4 times a week and typically it will be at one of the locations on El Paseo. The one good thing that came from the COVID days is the outdoor dining patios/decks that many businesses installed. Given the weather here in the desert, it truly improved many of these businesses and added capacity for them as well.

We have gotten to know many of the owners/managers of these restaurants here in PD. We share their concerns on the timing and costs associated with your proposed changes. In addition, we understand there is a proposal to pave El Paseo, which seems unnecessary given the condition of the roadway.

It would only seem prudent to delay both of these programs until a better plan is in place, more information obtained and a fair amount of notice to allow businesses to budget and plan for such programs.

Sincerely,

Owen Whitehall

From: webmaster@cityofpalmdesert.org <webmaster@cityofpalmdesert.org>
Sent: Sunday, May 5, 2024 1:37 PM
To: Information Mail <info@palmdesert.gov>
Subject: City of Palm Desert: Website Contact Us Form Submission

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	I frequently eat at Sweet Basil on El Paseo. They should not have to remove their outside eating area on such short notice. They should be given enough time to raise enough money so they can do what the cit requesting. If not, it would cause a hardship and possibly put the out of business.				

Thank you, City of Palm Desert

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