

LACEY RESTAURANT AND RETAIL OWNERS

It's going to be a beautiful summer: Let's DINE outside! Let's SHOP Outside!

Are you concerned:

- About being able to safely social distance AND have adequate table turnover and sales volume to return to profitability?
- Your staff may not be comfortable working in a confined indoor space with customers?
- Many of your regular customers, especially those in higher risk groups, may not be comfortable dining or shopping in a confined indoor space?
- The City's regulatory hurdles to expand your dining space into your parking lot will require significant time and money you don't have?

THE CITY OF LACEY WANTS TO HELP YOU REOPEN FAST, SAFE, AND PROFITABLE!

We created a program that allows you to expand your restaurant or retail store into your parking lot (with your landlord's approval) with no site plan review required.

How Do I Get Started?

If you want to rent or purchase a tent (or other temporary covering) from a supplier, just call us, first, for a free walk through. If needed, we can approve a tent permit on site during the walk through.

Here is what we will look for during the walk through:

- A clear exit path from your existing space and awning or tent structure.
- Proposed awning/tent structure will not impede emergency response.
- Adequate parking/appropriate ADA parking will still be available.
- Awning/tent structure meets minimum flame spread/smoke-developed index classifications.
- Awning/tent structure is properly anchored to the ground.
- A fire extinguisher may be deemed necessary in covered outdoor area.
- If using portable outdoor space heaters, identify any potential risks.
- Will you have a back-up power source for new outdoor area, such as a generator? If yes, identify any associated risks.

Where Can I Find an Awning/Tent Structure?

We compiled a list of vendors who have provided tents to other Lacey businesses and other organizations. You can view that list, [here](#).

Questions? Ready to get started?

Call City of Lacey Community & Economic Development Department at **360-491-5642**. We're here to help!

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