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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER NO. LTC # 256-2022

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Honorable Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Alina T. Hudak, City Manager

DATE: June 29, 2022

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR FY2021/22 PERMIT YEAR FOR SIDEWALK CAFÉ AND PARKLET PROGRAM

The Restaurant Recovery Outdoor Expansion Seating Pilot Program that allowed restaurants to temporarily expand their outdoor dining operations as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, **expired on Sunday, January 30, 2022.**

Many sidewalk cafes and parklet operators were not up to date with their permit applications for the current FY2021/22 permit year. Therefore, a month-to-month grace period extension for application submittals was granted.

At the May 4, 2022, City Commission Meeting, the Mayor and City Commission ratified all prior grace period extensions granted by the City Manager and extended the permit application deadline for the FY2021/22 permit year for sidewalk café and parklet operators through July 1, 2022.

Unfortunately, many sidewalk cafes and parklet operators have not completed the permit application process and have requested an additional extension of the permit application deadline. As such, I will extend the permit application deadline for the FY2021/22 permit year until the next City Commission Meeting on July 20, 2022. At this City Commission Meeting the administration will request to ratify this extension, and possibly extend the application deadline beyond July 20, 2022.

Additionally, the City is currently working on the transition into the Outdoor Dining Concession Program, as approved by the Mayor and City Commission at the June 22, 2022 City Commission Meeting.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me or Otniel Rodriguez at OtnielRodriguez@miamibeachfl.gov.

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