



# Commerce City

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## Council Communication

File Number: Ord 2321

**Agenda Date:** 3/1/2021

**Version:** 1

**Status:** Agenda Ready

**In Control:** City Council

**File Type:** Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2298 PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORIZATION OF TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SERVICE AREAS FOR RESTAURANTS AND BARS IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

### Summary and Background Information:

This Ordinance will extend the current temporary outdoor service area permit system through September 6, 2021. It amends Ordinance 2298 to avoid the automatic expiration of the program on April 30, 2021.

Beginning with Ordinance 2282, passed by Council on June 1, 2020, the City Council authorized the creation of a free temporary permit system to allow bars and restaurants to temporarily expand their outdoor service areas during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Expanded outdoor dining areas enable restaurants to increase space to reach capacity while incorporating social distancing and sanitation practices. Restaurants must still operate in accordance with all relevant local, county, state, and federal health orders.

Information about the City's outdoor service area permit program can be found at: <https://www.c3gov.com/doing-business/developing-in-commerce-city/outdoor-service-area-permit>.

**Staff Responsible (Department Head):** Jason Rogers, Community Development Director

**Staff Member Presenting:** Robert Sheesley, City Attorney

**Financial Impact:** N/A

**Funding Source:** N/A

**Staff Recommendation:** Approval.

### Suggested Motions:

- First Reading: I move to introduce and approve Ordinance 2321 on first reading by Council as seated.
- Second Reading: I move to approve Ordinance 2321 on second and final reading by Council as seated.