

From: [M&M Group](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021.
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:34:41 AM

To whom this may concern,

My name is Meichih Kim and my husband, Michael Kim, and I own Bao Bei at 170 State Street. I fully support the city's parklet program and encourage the city to make it permanent. Our business benefits from the program by having convenient and safe space for our customers to enjoy our food and drinks.

Sincerely,
Meichih Kim
Bǎo Bèi
State Street Market
170 State Street
Los Altos, CA 94022

From: [bhughes1063](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Agenda item #9 Nov 30,2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:53:16 AM

City Council of Los Altos,

I am in **support for The City's Permanent Parklet Program**. The city of Los Altos has done a great job supporting business and restaurants with the Parklet program. Please continue for the foreseeable future. **Keep the program!**

Thank you for listening
Brian Hughes

From: [John Drew](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: I support our city's permanent parklet program
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:43:40 PM

Dear Sir or Madam,

The outdoor cafe seating that has been necessitated by conditions and precautions related to the ongoing pandemic has actually created a wonderful attribute for our community.

Not so long ago , our Main Street looked lifeless with no energy at all . Since our restaurants have tastefully built out cafe like seating, our town has come to life and is now more than ever a point of destination for shopping, drinking and dining.

Let's make this more welcoming and inclusive environment a permanent feature of our community.

Thank you ,
John Drew

Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Tanya Capuano](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Keep the Parklets: support our downtown businesses
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:09:10 PM

Los Altos Town Council,

It has been remarkable to witness and experience the energy downtown with people eating outside in the parklets and supporting our restaurants. For me, personally, I have also shopped more at our local retailers since I'm eating downtown more often. All businesses benefit.

And, with the Omicron variant, I will revert to eating outside only.

I urge you to make parklets a permanent fixture of our downtown. While I know there is concern about parking, I have never had a problem finding a space. Sure, I many need to walk a block or so, but I've always found a place to park.

Kind Regards,
Tanya Capuano
long time resident

From: [Ken Leong](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Keeping the Los Altos park-lets downtown
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:22:41 PM

Hello.

As we are far from clear of the risks of Covid and new variants, the park-lets have been a saving grace to both businesses and the community. I hope the Los Altos City Council will consider extending the park-let use for a much longer duration as Covid risks are far from containment.

I appreciate your time,
Ken Leong
Los Altos, CA (since 2001)

From: [Mike Capuano](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Los Altos Is so much better with Parklets!
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:45:02 PM

Dear Los Altos Town Council,

One silver lining of the pandemic has been the parklets. Now with people eating outside in the parklets the energy in town is great, the town vibrant and the fabric of the community is tightening because now we run into our Los Altos friends all the time. And, of course, it supports our local restaurants as well as our local retailers - since I'm eating downtown more often I have also shopped more at local retailers.

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I strongly advocate for the the parklets to become permanent in our downtown. While I know there is concern about parking, I have never had a problem finding a space. Sure, I many need to walk a block or so, but I've always found a place to park.

Regards,
Mike Capuano
490 Pine Lane since 2007

From: [Jenn](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Love the post and it's patio
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:47:53 PM

Please keep the post chalet parklet

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ken McMahon](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Park let
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:57:15 AM

Please continue to allow parklets in your downtown. I visit weekly and enjoy the outside dining available.

Thank you
Ken McMahon

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Francesca Benevento](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklet Program
Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 6:59:43 AM

Dear City Council,

I frequent eating at The Post and enjoy the outside dinning! Our family and friends support all Parklet dining in the downtown area. Hopefully you will support the business in Los Altos.

Thank you
Francesca

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Nick King](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklet Program
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:47:09 PM

To whom it may concern,

Over the last 18 months our lives have been totally changed. I'm forever grateful for the community and environment Los Altos provided me during these incredibly challenging times.

It recently came to my attention that the parklets will be reviewed soon. In my opinion these have been well managed, a good balance to support retail and other activities, and ultimately were the fabric that kept our community together.

Please please please keep the Parklets going!

Regards,

Nick King
651 Manresa Ln
Los Altos, CA 94052

From: [cathy mcdonnell](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklet project
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:57:14 AM

I support keeping the parklet project in downtown Los Altos. We need the restaurants to survive. We go downtown all the time to eat outside. We feel safer sitting outside because of the pandemic.
Thanks, Cathy

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Park-let valuable to Los Altos downtown businesses
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:22:13 PM

Let's keep the park-lets. Business appears to be rebuilding. They are an important reason. especially in connection to Covid resurgence and omincrom emergence in the US

Thanks in advance,

Kim
Kim Lorz
[REDACTED]

From: [Bill Breslin](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets on main st
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:44:39 PM

Am hopeful the city of Los Altos will authorize the continued use of these facilities for restaurants to use for outdoor dining. With COVID 19 still raging on and now a new variant about to hit, these outside facilities allow for safer dining and help the restaurants survive. Thank you for your conversation.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Dion Onizuka](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets outside of downtown Los Altos
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:48:24 PM

Los Altos City Council,

We humbly ask that you do not remove the parklets outside in downtown Los Altos. They have made the downtown Los Altos area a pleasure to visit and dine in. The pandemic has been so costly for our local businesses and if you remove them many of the businesses will not be able to remain open. We have enjoyed visiting the Post and use the outdoor area about once per week. The parklets have allowed us to really enjoy our experience and have not impeded traffic in any way that is noticeable. I have been coming downtown for the last 30 plus years (since my high school days at Pinewood in the 80s) and never has the downtown area looked and appeared as vibrant and welcoming as it does now. We love the option of being outdoors and appreciate the ability to interact and support the local business economy without compromising our health.

Thank you for your consideration

[Dion Onizuka](#)
650-224-6560

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Thank you for your consideration

[Dion Onizuka](#)
[REDACTED]

From: [Connie Ives](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:39:40 AM

The outdoor parklets have added much vibrancy to the downtown area this last two years, would love to see them be permanent!

Thank you
Constance Ives

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Michael Vanneman](#) [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:45:59 AM

Please keep the current parklets intact for outdoor dining. These areas are safe places for our community and help our local businesses stay in business. With them, Los Altos will continue to thrive. Without them, it will be a detriment to our local economy.

Thank you.

Mike Vanneman

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Mike Vanneman
[REDACTED]

From: [Dee DeLeeuw](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:16:19 PM

Hi,

I'm writing in support of extending the parklets in Los Altos. As covid continues, possibly getting worse, I for one do not feel comfortable eating inside a restaurant. At the same time, I want to do all I can to support local businesses, including Los Altos restaurants.

I am confident most would agree on this issue.

Thank you!

Dee Dante

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Virginia Roman](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:36:19 PM

Hi city councilors and staff,

I understand from a friend that this evening you'll be discussing making the restaurant parklets permanent downtown. I think they should be. Everyone I've spoken to since they appeared on the streets have said how energetic and dynamic downtown is. Where once Los Altans only complained that there was nothing to do downtown (I remember a lot of people complaining about why there are so many dry cleaners and nail salons) now we've embraced cafe culture and it's fabulous. And with our California weather, there's no reason not to keep them if Paris (50° and raining today) is keeping theirs.

Also, just in case someone's been complaining about the lack of parking (although I've never had any problems, and I go downtown frequently), I wonder if it would be worth discussing at a later date (or tonight!) the idea of having the private parking lots turned over for public use after business hours (like they do in Palo Alto). For instance, the parking lot outside the Packard Foundation has been empty since everyone went home in March 2020. Massive waste of space. I'm sure a deal could be made. :)

But I digress. Yay for the outside dining!

Virginia Roman

From: [Steve Dowdell](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Parklets
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:36:17 PM

I support the parklets downtown for at least another year ! Hopefully we can go back to a regular life after that but not yet in my opinion

Regards

Steve Dowdell

From: [miguel garduno](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public comment agenda #9 - November 30th 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:22:36 PM

Hello,

My name is miguel garduno. I am a restaurant manager in the city of Los Altos. I'm sending this email to comment on the parklet program. Due to the pandemic patrons have gotten accustomed to eating outside and feel safer doing so. Taking down parklets would be detrimental to not only our business but to all of downtown Los Altos. I'm afraid if patrons don't feel safe to visit restaurants in the area they will stop coming to other businesses in the area all together. Please consider making this parklet program permanent so the patrons of downtown Los Altos feel more welcomed and comfortable.

Thank you,
Miguel Garduno

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Vickie Breslin](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public Comment Agenda #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:16:24 PM

Los Altos City Council,

I am writing to thank you for letting our downtown restaurants continue to do business in parklets over the last year and a half. The pandemic has devastated so many small businesses and thanks to the parklet program it gave all of us a chance to survive. As the owner of The Post I know that without the outdoor space that we would not have made it through the last 18 months. I am urging you to keep the parklets and make them permanent.

I spend most of my days and nights downtown and not only has this program helped the restaurants but our retail has become busier since Los Altos is quickly becoming a destination.

I do still have guests hesitant to sit outdoors and with the new variant I expect that to happen more often so without the parklets restaurants will suffer.

Again, please keep the parklet program and make it permanent so we can keep making los altos great!

Best,
Vickie Breslin

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Owner
The Post
650-678-5178
www.thepostlosaltos.com

From: [Hayley Feyereisen](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9- Nov 30,2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:16:01 PM

To whom it may concern,

I fully support the permanent parklet in downtown Los Altos.

Thank you,

Hayley Feyereisen

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Mike Capuano](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021 - Los Altos Is so much better with Parklets!
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:48:36 PM

Resending with proper subject line formatting.

On Tue, Nov 30, 2021 at 2:44 PM Mike Capuano [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Los Altos Town Council,

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Regards,
Mike Capuano
490 Pine Lane since 2007

From: [Dayna Deaton](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:48:02 AM

Please keep all Parklets permanent. The restaurants are at the core of the vibrancy of our town. That will not exist without the additional spaces outside especially given the threat of variants.
Thank you for your consideration.
Jeff and Dayna Deaton

Dayna Deaton
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Garry Hill](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:07:52 PM

As someone who is closing in on 52 years of working/living in Los Altos allow me to say that the city's most positive development in all those years has been the evolution of the parklet program. It has brought life and vitality to a rather moribund downtown.

The man who hired me said on my first day on the job (December 29, 1969), "Los Altos is a nice little town but they roll up the sidewalks at night." And that was when we still had a downtown movie theater.

But the parklets have done more than vitalize the nighttime scene; they have also brought new life to the daytime. Los Altos is on the fast track to being a destination city.

For a specific example, allow me to cite the just-done Festival of Lights, which was the most fun of the dozens I have attended with family over the decades. That was also the expressed reaction of multiple people I spoke to.

As we continue to struggle to regain a sense of normalcy in fighting back the pandemic, allow me to suggest that the "new normal" absolutely must retain the parklet program.

In closing, allow me to clarify that I have no vested interest in any establishment that's in the parklet business.

E. Garry Hill
1036 Seena Ave.
Los Altos 94024

From: [Angela Mercado](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:42:27 PM

Hello,

My husband and I are long time patrons of the Post in downtown Los Altos. We love having access to outdoor seating and appreciate what the city has done to accommodate the public during COVID. Supporting small business by offering more opportunity for success is a great way to build community. Our hope is that the city supports a permanent Parklet program so that businesses, like the Post, can continue to offer outdoor seating options to their faithful customers.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

Angela Mercado

From: [John McIntyre](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [Shauna McIntyre](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:12:29 PM

Greetings,

Our family would like to share our strong desire for the parklets to remain in downtown Los Altos. Not only have they allowed us to weather the COVID pandemic, but they have added significant charm and enjoyment to our downtown. We eat out more often because of the opportunity to enjoy our wonderful California weather!

Sadly, it appears that COVID is here to stay with another new variant making it even more important to offer the residents of Los Altos the option to dine outdoors.

Please consider keeping the amazing parklets.

Regards,
John & Shauna McIntyre
419 Los Pajaros Ct.
Los Altos, CA 94024

John McIntyre


From: [Emily](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:25:07 PM

To whom it may concern,

I love how easy to find a parking in downtown Los Altos. I love how much space we have there.

I love theater. Could we maybe remodel Los Altos stage near community center? Make it better and bigger?

I would like to keep the parking space, please.

Thank you!

Best,
Emily Ling

From: [James Mulkerin](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:35:25 PM

Hello,

I would love to see the parklet program continue, especially with COVID being the norm. It provides a great option to dine outdoors during this complicated time.

Thanks
James

From: [Raj Gossain](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:49:52 PM

I'm emailing the city council in support of continuing our downtown parklets - ideally permanently, but minimally until we're out of this COVID mess.

Downtown is meaningfully more vibrant AND safe with outdoor dining as an option. We'd love to know that this option will continue for the foreseeable future.

Thank you for listening.

Raj Gossain
638 Paco Dr, Los Altos, CA 94024

From: [Sandra Brenner](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:03:31 PM

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for keeping the Parklets in Downtown Los Altos. Not only have they allowed restaurants to survive/thrive in an otherwise very difficult business climate, they've added a energy and liveliness to downtown. My initial concern was around parking but that doesn't seem to have been impacted to negate the benefits of having the additional draw to the downtown area with the addition of these outdoor dining spaces.

Please consider keeping the parklets in downtown.

My best regards,

-Sandra Brenner

From: [Richardson, Bracken](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: natalie@lulusmexicanfood.com
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:24:31 PM

Honorable City of Los Altos City Council Members –

As small business owners in the City of Los Altos, we strongly support Staff's recommendation for a permanent City of Los Altos Parklet Program. We trust that councilmembers will view this adoption as an opportunity to continue the viability of local, small business owners to thrive post pandemic restrictions.

Regards,

Natalie and Bracken Richardson
LuLu's on Main Street

Regards,

R. BRACKEN RICHARDSON
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

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From: [Sarah Deane](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:26:08 PM

Hello,

I am emailing to express my support of the outdoor dining areas. Not only will it support the local businesses, but I think that it will be very important for the community to have these spaces, where they can safely enjoy gathering. Keeping the outdoor dining areas demonstrates both a short, and long term view, as to what is needed to meet the diverse needs of the community and keep it thriving.

Cheers,
Sarah

From: [Ray P Mercado](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:45:43 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am a patron in support of The city permanent parklet program. One of the pleasant side effects of the Covid 19 outbreak was the ability to enjoy outdoor dining at many establishments. Hopefully this will be a permanent program as it helps with revenue flow for many establishments.

Best regards,

Ray P. Mercado

From: [Alix Apfelberg](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:06:30 PM

Hello,

I am a long time resident of Los Altos and understand that the closing of the Los Altos Parklets/outdoor street dining is an agenda item at the next city council meeting. I am writing to ask that you please consider keeping them open. It has been so nice to see the activity that the parklets has generated downtown - it feels like the town has been somewhat revitalized, despite the pandemic. The additional outdoor seating has been a welcome surprise and positive outcome of the Covid-19 complications. I do hope that you will consider keeping them open through the winter and into the spring/summer, especially with the potential upcoming re-surge in cases due to new variants of the virus.

Thanks for your consideration,

Alix Apfelberg and Family

From: [suzy allison](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [Timo Allison](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:06:35 PM

To Whom It May Concern,

We strongly urge the city council to keep the parklets in place in Los Altos. We feel that they are a silver lining of the pandemic/endemic and hope that they remain in place!

Thanks in advance,
Suzy & Timo Allison
551 Hawthorne Ave.
Los Altos

From: [Sue Boennighausen](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:31:41 PM

I ask the City Council to allow parklets to remain in Los Altos. These amenities provide residents who are uncomfortable with indoor dining the opportunity to support local businesses and bring a more lively atmosphere to our town.

Sue Boennighausen
419 Paco Drive
Los Altos

From: [Leslie Shaw](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:32:44 PM

I understand you are discussing the removal of the parklets at the City Council Meeting tonight.

I urge you to consider keeping them - perhaps even making them permanent. I love eating outside and would always choose that as an option - even before COVID. Due to concerns for health, at this point in time, I would not dine out if I had to eat indoors. Personally, I think having them enhances the downtown experience. I have not had issues with finding parking spaces either.

Thank you for your consideration.
Leslie Shaw

From: [Kati Hessler](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Cc: [Vickie Breslin](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:38:23 PM

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a local member of the community and am in full support of the City of Los Altos Permanent Parklet Program. In particular, the outdoor dining area at The Post restaurant downtown has become a staple for the community and a welcoming location for families to comfortably dine outside with your current parklet program.

The owner, Vickie Breslin, has been an instrumental leader in the downtown business community, and has created a welcoming outdoor area for friends and families of the community to gather. Let's continue this parklet program moving forward to support great restaurants like The Post!

Sincerely,
Kati Hessler



• Kati Hessler
• Google Cloud



From: [Mike Breslin](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:18:37 PM

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing in support of making the Parklet Program permanent in the city of Los Altos. My family and I spend a good deal of time in the downtown area and feel much safer dining in the outdoor parklets that began popping up during the pandemic.

We haven't noticed any effect on parking during our visits and hope to see the parklets remain even after the COVID pandemic is behind us. They're a great addition.

Sincerely,
Michael Breslin

From: [Bill Witte](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:20:32 PM

Hello -

I'm writing to voice my support for keeping the "parklets" in Downtown Los Altos permanent.

Myself and so many of my local friends find them to be a great addition to the feel and vibrancy of Los Altos. They provide a great way to enjoy the great weather we have, and add a social element to downtown that would be lost if the parklets were removed.

I'd say this even without ongoing concerns about the Covid pandemic. They just represent a strong net positive to the town. There is still lots of parking available, and I know from my experience they've increased the time I've spent downtown both in restaurants and at other businesses downtown.

Thanks and please do keep the parklets!

- Bill Witte
Los Altos resident since 2005

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- Bill

From: [victor morales](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021.
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:28:22 PM

Hi my name is victor I work at the post in down town Los Altos. The parklet is been very important for us because since we got it we have been able to bring more people to work and at the same time more families are beneficiaries from that including me. I think we all know the consequences of closing it will bring less sales, less people to work less families with income to pay their bills. All of the customer that I have talk to are so happy that we have the parklet "patio" open including our neighbors Marias they been doing better too, since more people came to down town Los Altos instead of going to Palo Alto or Santana row. Please really consider before making a decision a lot of people depend from it. Thank you and I'm sorry about my spelling

Sent from my iPhone

From: [nick](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021.
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:59:41 AM

Hello !

This email is to reinforce my support for the parklet program downtown. As a long-time resident and frequent supporter of local business, I cannot stress enough the importance of having this additional resource for our local business owners.

Thank you very much for all you do to keep our town flourishing!

Thank you!

Nick Robles

From: [Chris Irvine](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021. // Parklet Program Permanent
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:16:01 PM

Hi,

As a Los Altos native and patron of Los Altos hospitality I am in FULL SUPPORT for The City's to make the Parklet Program Permanent, I just heard of the City Council's agenda for today, Tuesday, November 30th.
PLEASE HELP STIMULATE OUR HOSPITALITY. We need to have more outdoor space to enjoy beautiful DT Los Altos.

As a designer in the 650 I feel this is a right we all deserve. To have more space allocated to eat and enjoy the outdoors on the peninsula.

Cheers,
Chris

Chris Irvine | Principal & Founder | OCKCO
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[Palo Alto, CA](#)

From: [Ellen Drew](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021.
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:56:15 AM

I hope that city council will make the parklets downtown permanent. I feel that the parklets have given the town a community feel that it didn't have before. Also the parklets give a safe alternative to eating inside during this pandemic.

Thank you,
Ellen Drew

From: [Alfredo Hernandez](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021.
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:39:59 PM

Hi there, this Alfredo Hernandez. I just want to share my thoughts about why parklets should stay. I work at the post for a while now and I think it should stay since people enjoy dinning outside also it is my main income, so without parklets I am scared of lose my job since people are still scared of dinning inside of restaurants because of COVID and it's new variants. So I would love to keep the parklets in downtown los altos for more time. Also it gives more life to the downtown and it welcomes more and more people.

From: [Kim Cranston](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:40:43 AM

Dear Mayor Fligor and Members of the City Council,

If there's a silver lining for Los Altos from the pandemic, it's the rapid expansion of parklets that enabled our community to have safer places to gather and dine and our restaurants and other businesses to survive.

The Los Altos Community Voices Steering Committee (LACV) supports the approval of the City of Los Altos Parklet Program allowing restaurants to continue outdoor dining.

Robin Abrams, Curtis Cole, Kim Cranston, Cathy Lazarus, Bill Sheppard, Marie Young

LACV Steering Committee

Sent by

Kim

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Kim Cranston
650-868-8687

From: [Patrick Andersson](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:55:48 AM

Hello,

I very much support the permanent Parklet program. I truly believe this is great for the local businesses but perhaps more importantly, it brings more people downtown which is great to see...

Please vote to permanently keep the parklets!

Kind regards,
Patrick Andersson
Los Altos

From: [Shaun Bagai](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:19:37 PM
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I have frequented restaurants in downtown Los Altos for both business meetings and personal outings many times throughout the pandemic and have absolutely enjoyed the comfortable and attractive outdoor dining given the excellent job restaurant owners have done to utilize the City's Parklet Program. Given the excellent weather we have in California, and looking at how other cities have seen the advantages of more permanent parklet programs for patrons, restaurants, and cities, I hope that the Council successfully comes to the right conclusion of keeping the Parklet Program permanent.

Best regards,
Shaun

Shaun R. Bagai

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From: [Mark Boennighausen](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA Item #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:40:12 PM

Please keep the parklets. It has made downtown more vibrant and welcoming. We need to move away from designated parking in pedestrian areas. There is plenty of parking in (I work at 400 Main and our parking is never full) and around downtown. I note that the acres of new parking in front of the new community center is barely used based on my walks to and from downtown each day to go to work. I have never seen a study where parking drives sales or small business versus activities and pedestrian friendly environments which encourage lingering in the downtown area. Finally, it seems we will always have some form of COVID with us and need more spaces for people to meet and enjoy each other's company outside. Exterior heaters and drought has clearly made outdoor eating in Los Altos a full time activity.

Mark Boennighausen
419 Paco Drive

From: [Steve Farr](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:38:46 PM

To Whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Sunnyvale and in a typical month travel to downtown Los Altos to take advantage of the amazing restaurants the city offers. A big part of that decision, beyond the restaurant choices, is the ability to sit outside. With COVID and the numerous variants, I personally feel much better about enjoying a meal knowing being outside is much safer.

It is my understanding that the city is evaluating allowing your restaurants to continue the Parklet Program, which I am a big proponent of. Los Altos has done a great job of having off street parking behind the businesses and so having the Parklet Program does not seem to add to any parking issues.

Thanks,
Steve Farr



From: [Richard Mandeberg](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30,2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:12:48 PM

To all;

Please make permanent the Los Altos City Parklet Program! This program has been a life saver to the restaurants of Los Altos. But perhaps, as important, it has added to the sociability and allure of our town. People see friends, interact and are more attracted to the visible activity in downtown Los Altos. There's a reason that European cities are so enjoyable - they have walkable outdoor cafes and restaurants.

Also, I have not heard one complaint about parking! There are plenty of spots on the street even with the reduced spaces. Plus, the parking behind stores is more than sufficient. I would hope this is not a serious argument against continuing the parklets.

Please - this should be an easy decision. Keep the parklets. Make them permanent.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Richard Mandeberg

From: [Mary Anne Daniels](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:25:32 PM

Please keep the parklets open to support the local restaurants who have suffered the past 2 years.

Mary Anne Daniels
Consultant



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From: [David Hyre](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:40:56 PM

Los Altos City Council,

My name is David Hyre and I am the founder/COO of Tin Pot Creamery at 170 State Street. I fully support the city's parklet program and encourage the city to make it permanent. Our business benefits from the program by having convenient and safe space for our customers to enjoy our ice cream.

Sincerely,
David Hyre

Thank you!

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David Hyre
Chief Operations Officer
Tin Pot Creamery
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967 Center St. San Carlos, CA 94070



From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public comment agenda item #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:40:32 PM

Please consider leaving the parklets and outdoor patios permanent.

This is a huge success for businesses and customers. Love seeing the life in our town

Eileen Scott

Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED] [drdabb](#) [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public comment agenda item #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:58:11 PM

Please please please keep the parklet and outside dining permanent! Dining outside is one of the few things we get to enjoy. Los Altos has thrived and become SO MUCH BETTER with people congregating outside. The parklets create a true sense of community that Los Altos is known for.
Long time business owner and resident-Gregory Dabb
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Jenna Castillo](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 NOV. 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 6:09:53 PM

I support the City's [permanent] Parklet Program. It has allowed my family to feel safer when dining outdoors. We have spent more time on Main Street because of it and even sat at The Post to watch the Holiday parade - something we have never done nor would have were it not for the outdoor seating. Please do not get rid of this.

Thank you,
Jenna Castillo

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Tracey Leong](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public Comment Agenda Item #9 -November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:38:57 PM

Hello Los Altos City Council Members,

Please do not remove the parklets outside in downtown Los Altos. After such a long time, the town is vibrant and full of smiling faces. The businesses are doing well and people are happy. We love the option of being outdoors and with the new variants out there, it is nice to know we can still interact and support the local business economy without compromising safety. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Warmly,
Tracey Sakumoto
Los Altos resident of 15 years

From: [Alison Sayar](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public Comment Agenda item #9- November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:19:56 PM

Hello,

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Thank you.

Alison and Kevin Sayar
182 Lyell Street, Los Altos



From: [Molly Hughes](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public Comment Agenda Item #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:17:22 PM

Please keep the Los Altos parklets!!!! They have added life to downtown, and my friends from Los Altos as well as from San Francisco and Mountain View consider Los Altos a village to visit. I have not had any trouble parking, and feel like the ambience created by the outdoor dining more than makes up for possibly walking an extra step or two to shop. I actually have been spending more in Los Altos than online since I'm enjoying the feel of Los Altos these days.

Molly Hughes.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Danny V. Gutierrez](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: public comment item #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:48:11 PM

Regarding outdoor patio I believe they need to stay permanently. Eating outdoors on a bright sunny day is amazing and in a covid world lots of people will feel more comfortable.

Plus! They help small businesses so much!

Thank you!

Danny

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-Daniel Gutierrez

From: [Nicole Rynee Barnes](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Public Meeting Agenda #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:14:36 PM

Hello

I writing in support of making the outdoor parklets a permanent fixture I'm Los Altos. The parklets help invigorate the energy of downtown and foster more business and community.

Thank you
Nicole Rynee Barnes

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Vickie Breslin](#)
To: [Kati Hessler](#)
Cc: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Re: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:39:46 PM

Thank you for your support!

On Tue, Nov 30, 2021 at 3:37 PM Kati Hessler [REDACTED] wrote:

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a local member of the community and am in full support of the City of Los Altos Permanent Parklet Program. In particular, the outdoor dining area at The Post restaurant downtown has become a staple for the community and a welcoming location for families to comfortably dine outside with your current parklet program.

The owner, Vickie Breslin, has been an instrumental leader in the downtown business community, and has created a welcoming outdoor area for friends and families of the community to gather. Let's continue this parklet program moving forward to support great restaurants like The Post!

Sincerely,
Kati Hessler



• Kati Hessler



From: [Vickie Breslin](#)
To: [Chris Irvine](#)
Cc: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Re: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021. // Parklet Program Permanent
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:51:19 PM

Well said! Thank you

On Tue, Nov 30, 2021 at 12:15 PM Chris Irvine [REDACTED]:

Hi,

As a Los Altos native and patron of Los Altos hospitality I am in FULL SUPPORT for The City's to make the Parklet Program Permanent, I just heard of the City Council's agenda for today, Tuesday, November 30th.

PLEASE HELP STIMULATE OUR HOSPITALITY. We need to have more outdoor space to enjoy beautiful DT Los Altos.

As a designer in the 650 I feel this is a right we all deserve. To have more space allocated to eat and enjoy the outdoors on the peninsula.

Cheers,
Chris

Chris Irvine | Principal & Founder | OCKCO

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Street dining downtown Los Altos main and state
Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 4:48:08 AM

Good morning,

I believe having outdoor dining is a huge asset to our residence in Los Altos as well as the yard house on first Street which would increase foot traffic for Main Street and State Street businesses. We should do everything we can to support our local restaurants, bars, coffee shops and all business. Los Altos is a growing community and wonderful place for friends and family. Let's continue to leave her after dining open to the benefit of our residents and future residence's to come.

Steve Johnson
[REDACTED]

From: [Becky Sunseri](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT AGENDA ITEM #9 - November 30, 2021
Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 11:13:17 AM

Hello -

My name is Becky Sunseri and I am the founder of Tin Pot Creamery at 170 State Street. I fully support the city's parklet program and encourage the city to make it permanent. Our business benefits from the program by having convenient and safe space for our customers to enjoy our ice cream.

Sincerely,
Becky Sunseri

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Becky Sunseri
Founder & Chief Creative Officer

From: [Kevin Sayar](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Support for permanent parklet program
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:56:17 PM

I am the resident of 182 Lyell street since 1999. I was raised in Los Altos and went to Los Altos High School. Both my daughters attend Los Altos High School. The parklet program has had a very positive impact on my families social dynamics and that was only facilitated by having a safe outdoors place to eat as a family. Now we have adapted and continue to use the parklet venue to socialize with other vaccinated families. I believe the psychological impact of covid 19 will be us for a very long time and would encourage the city council to approve making this safe haven permanent.

Thank you,

Kevin Sayar

From: [JIM BUCKLEY](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Support of Parklets...Agenda Item #9
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:30:48 PM

Dear City Council, as a resident of Los Altos for almost 30 years, I am writing to support the permanent retention of the Parklet concept downtown. In my view, these extended dining areas, admittedly created by a pandemic, have added a new and exciting vitality to downtown. It is great to see that so many people are coming to Los Altos to enjoy the terrific food, products and services that Los Altos has to offer.

Unlike other nearby cities that have cordoned off the perimeters of their downtowns, Los Altos has done a great job by drawing people to Main and State streets, yet allowing traffic to get to all of our merchants relatively easily. My fear is that if we lose the Parklets, we will revert to the sleepy, boring and too quiet downtown that, for years, we have been attempting to improve and revitalize.

We do not need the blight of any more vacant storefronts...we need to continue to support our wonderful restaurants and shops. I hope that we can continue to make downtown Los Altos a desired destination with a thriving economy. Let's keep the Parklets!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James Buckley
788 Orange Ave
Los Altos, CA 94022
