

## Downtown Restaurant Patios

2020-SEP-28

## Background

- On 2020-MAR-16, the Province announced a Provincial Health Emergency in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. As a result, many businesses chose to close and restaurants and cafés were restricted to takeout and delivery.
- In May 2020, the Province announced BC's Restart Plan, which sets out four phases to respond to the pandemic. Phase 2 of the restart program began 2020-MAY-19 and allowed restaurants and cafés to reopen, subject to new WorkSafeBC protocols and a Provincial Health Order.
- At the 2020-MAY-25 Council Meeting, Staff was directed to:
  1. Implement a temporary downtown restaurant patio program in response to the phased reopening of businesses during the COVID-19 Pandemic; and
  2. reallocate \$25,000 from the Downtown Event Grants to facilitate the temporary improvements with any shortfall in funding to be funded from Council's Strategic Infrastructure Reserve.

## Prior Patio Agreements



Name	Patio Space
Mon Petit Choux	23.28m <sup>2</sup>
New York Style Pizza & Pasta	14m <sup>2</sup>
The Vault Café	19m <sup>2</sup>
Serious Coffee	9.38m <sup>2</sup>
Gabriel's Café	27.87m <sup>2</sup>
Nana Sushi	13.4m <sup>2</sup>
Red's Bakery	2.6m <sup>2</sup>
Aladdins Café	2.6m <sup>2</sup>



## Modern Café

Address:  
221 Commercial Street

New Patio Space:  
33.28m<sup>2</sup> wooden deck on road



## Craft Fare

Address:  
153 Commercial Street

New Patio Space:  
25m<sup>2</sup> wooden deck on road



## Breakfast Nook

Address:  
366 Selby Street

New Patio Space:  
27m<sup>2</sup> wooden deck on road



## Flavours of India

Address:  
486A Franklyn Street

New Patio Space:  
6m<sup>2</sup> wooden deck on road



## Drip Coffee

Address:  
100 – 2835 Departure Bay Road

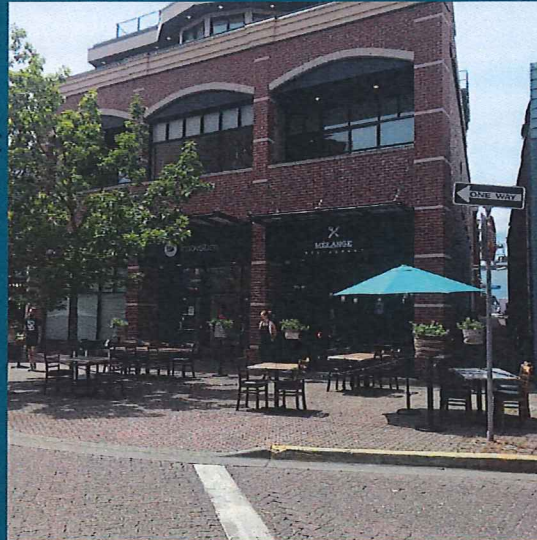
New Patio Space:  
24m<sup>2</sup> wooden deck on road



## Melange Restaurant

Address:  
223 Commercial Street

New Patio Space:  
40m<sup>2</sup> on sidewalk



## La Stella Trattoria

Address:  
1 – 321 Wesley Street

New Patio Space:  
36.25m<sup>2</sup> on sidewalk



## Options

1. That Council permit the temporary restaurant patio program to operate year round until the fall of 2021.
2. That Council continue under the existing plan to remove the temporary patios during the winter and reinstall them in the spring of 2021.



## Challenges with Year Round Operation

- Winterizing the patios may trigger building permit requirements
- Potential impact on snow clearing
- Faster deterioration of patios

