

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
RESOLUTION NO.
SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 18470, AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION
NOS. 18489 AND 18496, TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING AND DESIGNATING
PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS PURSUANT TO MOUNTAIN VIEW
CITY CODE CHAPTER 19 AND TEMPORARILY CLOSING THE 100, 200, 300, AND
400 BLOCKS OF CASTRO STREET PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE
SECTION 21101 TO FACILITATE OUTDOOR DINING AND
OUTDOOR BUSINESS OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, the Mountain View City Council adopted Resolution No. 18470 on June 9, 2020 to temporarily close the 100, 200, 300, and 400 blocks of Castro Street, from West Evelyn Avenue to Mercy Street, to motor vehicle traffic, bicycle, electric bicycle, motorized scooter, or transportation devices, with continued access across Castro Street at each of the side streets (“Castro Street Closure”) to facilitate the Outdoor Dining Program “Castro Summer StrEATs”; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain View City Council adopted Resolution No. 18496 on September 8, 2020 to expand the Castro StrEATs program to Outdoor Business Operations and extend the program through two weeks after the termination of the local emergency declared on March 12, 2020 and ratified by Council on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, March 31, 2020, April 29, 2020, May 18, 2020, and July 2, 2020, the Health Officer of the County of Santa Clara issued orders directing all individuals living in the County to continue to shelter in their place of residence, subject to certain exceptions, and closing the indoor operations of nonessential businesses with limited exceptions, thus impacting the revenue and economic stability of many Mountain View businesses; and

WHEREAS, through 2020 and into 2021, the State and County have issued a number of health orders and reopening plans that have changed over time and seen businesses open for limited indoor services, close both indoor and outdoor services, and reopen outdoor and indoor services; and

WHEREAS, the “Castro Summer StrEATs” Outdoor Dining and Outdoor Business Operations Programs has been successful in facilitating the recovery of downtown businesses, and a majority of the surveyed users and participating businesses support continuation of the programs; and

WHEREAS, declarations of states of emergency are still in effect and, in an effort to continue to support businesses in downtown Mountain View as they recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and operate under the County of Santa Clara Public Health Order and the State’s guidelines, the City desires to extend the Castro Street Closure for up to eight weeks after the termination of the local emergency declared on March 12, 2020 and ratified by Council on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, extending the Castro Street Closure for up to eight weeks after termination of the local emergency allows businesses participating in the Outdoor Dining Program and the Sidewalk Café Program, for which the license renewal requirements pursuant to Mountain View City Code Section 36.42 have been temporarily suspended by a separate resolution of the City Council, adequate time to submit the Sidewalk Café Program license renewal requirements following termination of the local emergency and the closing of the Outdoor Dining Program in order to resume outdoor business operations under the Sidewalk Café Program; and

WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 21101 permits local authorities, by resolution, to temporarily close a portion of any street for celebrations, parades, local special events, or other purposes when the closing is necessary for the safety and protection of persons who are to use that portion of the street during the temporary closing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Mountain View hereby amends Resolution No. 18470 to remain in effect until up to eight weeks after the termination of the local emergency declared on March 12, 2020 and ratified by Council on March 17, 2020, as determined by the Public Works and Community Development Directors, unless extended by the City Council.

Except as amended set forth herein, Resolution Nos. 18470, 18489, and 18496 shall remain in full force and effect.

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