CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW RESOLUTION NO. SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 18492, TEMPORARILY ALLOWING ACTIVITIES ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY TO FACILITATE OUTDOOR BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mountain View City Council adopted Resolution No. 18492 on September 8, 2020 to temporarily allow activities on public and private property to facilitate outdoor business operations Citywide in response to the COVID-19 state of emergency (referred to as "Citywide Outdoor Business Operations Program" or "Program," and as set forth in Exhibit A to Resolution No. 18492). The Program was adopted to help businesses recover from State and local health orders that imposed restrictions and limitations on indoor and outdoor operations, thus impacting the revenue and economic stability of many Mountain View businesses; and

WHEREAS, the adopted resolution will sunset two weeks after the termination of the local emergency declared on March 12, 2020 and ratified by Council on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the State of California adopted the "Blueprint for a Safer Economy," which imposes restrictions on activities and business operations intended to slow the spread of COVID-19 during the pandemic, and the County of Santa Clara has progressed to the least restrictive Yellow Tier under the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, which allows most indoor business operations to open with modifications; and

WHEREAS, the State retired the Blueprint for a Safer Economy on June 15, 2021 as the COVID-19 hospitalization rates remain low and vaccination supply readily available, which resulted in a return to full capacity limits, removal of physical distancing requirements, and looser mask mandates, and the termination of the local emergency may occur in the near term; and

WHEREAS, many businesses have been significantly impacted due to the prolonged period of COVID-19 restrictions, and the Program's temporary measures to reduce regulatory requirements and facilitate business activities in outdoor areas have provided critical assistance to allow businesses to reopen, remain open, and expand outdoor operations to help facilitate economic recovery during the local emergency; and

WHEREAS, extending the Program through January 3, 2022 will allow businesses to continue to utilize expanded outdoor operations with reduced regulatory requirements to help assist with needed economic recovery as a result of COVID-19 even after termination of the local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the adopted resolution establishing the Program authorized the Community Development and Public Works Directors to modify the Program, as needed, consistent with the intent of the Program requirements and to preserve the public health, safety, or general welfare; and

WHEREAS, delegating additional authority to the Community Development and Public Works Directors to revise the Program to eliminate land use categories from participation in the Program, as needed, will help address operational impacts associated with outdoor use of private and public property (e.g., parking lots) as regular business operations return to normal post-COVID;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Mountain View hereby amends Resolution No. 18492 to remain in effect through Monday, January 3, 2022, unless extended by the City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Mountain View hereby delegates to the Community Development and Public Works Directors the authority to eliminate land use categories that may participate in the Program and modify the Program, as needed, to help facilitate the transition back to regular business operations post-COVID-19 as regular operations resume.

Except as amended set forth herein, Resolution No. 18492 shall remain in full force and effect.

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