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### Farmington City Council Passes Resolution for Businesses

**Farmington, Minn., May 20, 2020** – The Farmington City Council adopted a resolution on Monday, May 18 allowing the creation of temporary outdoor customer service areas.

Any business in Farmington, **that is able to operate under current state executive orders**, can establish on its property, parking lots, or green area:

1. Drive-up or drive-thru area
2. Customer ordering, waiting, or pickup area
3. Customer seating or customer service areas
4. Must comply with social distancing practices

If you are a restaurant, **please review the most current state executive orders**. For liquor dispensed or consumed in new temporary customer service areas, the licensee must obtain a liquor license modification. The area must be fenced or roped off to contain alcohol consumption within that area.

Listed below are the resolution conditions for businesses:

- Limited on-site signage (and storage) and “limited” on site directional signs allowed (private property only).
- Temporary tables, tents and sun shelters may be erected.
- No need for a city variance nor city permits.
- If leasing, must have property owner permission.
- Must prepare traffic management plan (may be asked for it if complaints or problems).
- Must not impede sidewalk usage.
- Must not impede any disabled parking spaces or ramps.
- No activity shall be a nuisance for any neighboring business.
- The city may ask you to remove anything unreasonable, unprofessional or a nuisance.
- **Safety** is the top concern. If not safe, the city will ask you to remove it.

**All allowed until repealed by city council or termination of the local peacetime emergency.**

For more information, view the official resolution at [FarmingtonMN.gov/Resolution](https://www.farmingtonmn.gov/Resolution).

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