



Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

To: **Honorable Mayor & Honorable Councilmembers**

From: **Honorable Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez**

Subject: **Reopening Restaurants in the COVID 19 Environment**

Date: **May 19, 2020**

Recommendation:

Ordinance Proposal: To allow restaurants and food establishments to establish and/or expand outdoor dining to their operations while Miami-Dade County and/or the Town of Miami Lakes restrict interior dining capacity and outdoor dining is a preferred alternative for the public, without having to obtain a Town of Miami Lakes outdoor dining variance, which is both costly and time consuming, provided:

1. The restaurant obtains written approval from their Landlord;
2. The area utilized for outdoor dining allows for appropriate shopping center ADA circulation and does not negatively impact ingress/egress to the property;
3. Table and seating placement maintains the recommended social distancing separation;
4. Total outdoor restaurant seats do not exceed the inside occupancy provided before COVID 19;
5. If parking spaces are utilized for expanded outdoor dining, a temporary physical barrier must be utilized to separate the dining area from the remaining patron parking;
6. All outdoor dining areas must be maintained clean of litter by the operator.
7. This ordinance will reviewed for its effectiveness upon the lifting of all COVID 19 restrictions placed upon dining establishments
8. A Special Call Meeting may be needed to expedite the a Second reading of this Ordinance if it were to be approved.

Fiscal Impact: Minimum

Funding Source for Implementation:

Timeline for Implementation:

Guiding Principles: 1,2,14

Objectives: 3