	AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY			Agenda Item number: IIIC1
CITY OF ST. CHARLES	Title:	Motion to Approve a Resolution for Summer 2023 Outdoor Dining Plan for First Street Plaza East and Waive Outdoor Dining Fees for the First 100-Day Permit		
	Presenter:	Derek Conley, Economic Development Director		
Meeting: City Council Date			Date: May 15, 2023	
Proposed Cost: \$			Budgeted Amount: \$	Not Budgeted:
TIF District: TIF 7 - Central Downtown (VOTING RESTRICTION)				

Executive Summary (if not budgeted, please explain):

The City Code allows businesses in the CBD-1 Central Downtown Business District to utilize public sidewalks and plazas for outdoor cafés, subject to meeting certain standards and obtaining a 100-day Sidewalk Café permit, with two permitting periods for the Summer season between April 15 and Oct. 31. The Sidewalk Café permitting requirements were updated in March 2022 to allow for expanded use of the First Street Plazas during the summer months.

In March 2023, City Council approved the funding and construction of First Street Plaza Expansion Project. Due to the anticipated construction and the unknown impacts on the existing plaza space, City staff did not bring forward a 2023 Outdoor Plan in April. Over the past 6 weeks, City staff has been working with the contractor and determined the necessary construction zone. Once the construction zone was confirmed, City staff allowed for the restaurants to operate outdoor dining on a temporary basis until City Council could approve the 2023 Outdoor dining plan. On May 1, the contractor installed the construction fencing.

The proposed Outdoor Dining Plan for 2023 for First Street Plaza East is attached to this Executive Summary and is the identical to the temporary existing layout. The only participating restaurant is Alter Brewing. Given the impact of the construction of the Plaza Extension, City staff is recommending that the fees for outdoor dining on the First Street Plazas be waived. While the contractor and staff will do their best to mitigate disruptions, there will be nuisances such as dust, noise, and limited access to storefronts. Additionally, there may be times construction occurs during the evening or on Saturdays. City staff is partnering with the Business Alliance to promote that the First Street businesses are open and the best way to find parking and navigate around the construction zone.

Per direction from the Planning and Development Committee, the resolution waives the outdoor dining fees for the first 100-day permit, until July 22. City will provide an update to the Planning and Development Committee on July 10 and be seeking direction of waiving the fees for the second 100-day permit.

Attachments (please list): Resolution, First Street Plaza - East Outdoor Dining

Recommendation/Suggested Action (briefly explain):

Recommendation to Approve Summer 2023 Outdoor Dining Plan for First Street Plaza East and waive outdoor dining fees for the first 100-day permit.

City of St. Charles, Illinois Resolution No. 2023-____

Resolution Approving an Outdoor Café Layout for the First Street East Plaza for Summer Season 2023 and Waive Outdoor Dining Fees for the First 100-Day Permit

Presented & Passed by the City Council on _____

WHEREAS, Title 12, "Streets, Sidewalks, Public Places and Special Events", Chapter 12.04, "General Provisions," Section 12.04.102, "Outdoor Cafés in Public Places" of the St. Charles Municipal Code, Section B.2, provides that the City Council shall authorize a plan for the layout of Outdoor Cafés on the First Street East Plaza.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois:

- 1. The City Administrator is authorized to issue Outdoor Café Permits for the First Street East Plaza, per Section 12.04.102, for Summer Season 2023, in accordance with the Outdoor Café Layout attached as Exhibit "A".
- 2. Due to the ongoing construction and impacts of the First Street Plaza Expansion, the first 100-day permit fee for the First Street East Plaza for Summer Season 2023 are hereby waived.

PRESENTED to the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 15th day of May 2023.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 15th day of May 2023.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 15th day of May 2023.

Lora A. Vitek, Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk/Recording Secretary

Voice Vote: Ayes: Resolution No. _____ Page 2

> Nays: Absent: Abstain:

EXHIBIT "A"

• 2023 First Street East Plaza Outdoor Café Layout

