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2025 RULES FOR APPROVED TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SEATING AND DINING PLANS

- **Allowed Hours of Outdoor Seating and Dining Operation for Approved Businesses:**
 - Coffee Shops and Restaurants serving breakfast may open for outdoor seating at 6:00 a.m. each day and remain open as indicated below, dependent upon business location.
 - Businesses with approved plans may operate outdoors from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and weekends.
- **Limited Live or Amplified Music for Businesses with Approved Outdoor Seating and Dining Plans:**
 - **Non-Residential** areas (not adjacent to or within 75 feet of private residences). May allow limited music outdoors until 10:00 p.m.
 - **Businesses adjacent to or within 75 feet of private residences.** Written approval for outdoor music must be provided by the owner of the property if leased by the business. May play live or amplified music outdoors only at volume levels consistent with that of background music for the enjoyment of patrons until 9:00 p.m. Said music shall not interfere with the quiet use and enjoyment of the property by neighboring or nearby residents.
 - Outdoor live or amplified music that is advertised as a “concert” or “event” and/or for which admission, tickets (free or paid), or a cover charge is assessed require a Special Event Permit through the Mayor’s Office of Special Events. A Special Event Permit Application can be completed online at: <https://www.aurora-il.org/1260/Permits-Applications>.
 - All outdoor cooking requires a Special Event Permit.
- All businesses approved for temporary outdoor seating and dining must strictly adhere to the outdoor seating and dining design layout that has been approved by the City of Aurora. **ALL APPROVED BARRIERS MUST REMAIN IN PLACE AND UTILIZED AT ALL TIMES OF OUTDOOR SEATING AND DINING.** Businesses found to be noncompliant with this requirement will be subject to the revocation of their outdoor seating and dining approval.
- Outdoor seating and dining approval will expire as of November 3, 2025 and all seating and barriers must be removed.
- All applicable State laws and City ordinances must continue to be followed.

Dated: April 1, 2025

Richard C. Irvin, Mayor