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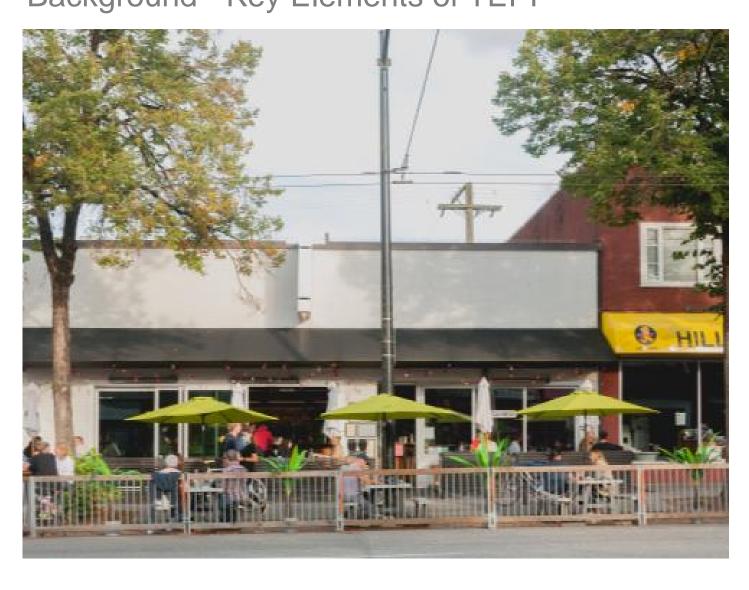




## Temporary Expedited Patio Program Background

- Launched June 1, 2020
- Interdepartmental initiative
- No application and permit fees
- No additional program costs were passed onto businesses, such as lost meter revenue or traffic management costs
- No increase to existing occupant load
- Approved temporary expansions of liquor service areas

## Temporary Expedited Patio Program Background - Key Elements of TEPP



- Created a central point of entry for standardized patio applications
- Created simplified patio typologies to expedite review process
- Enabled curbside patios (56% of TEPP permits issued)
- Breweries and distilleries eligible for temporary patios through zoning bylaw amendments
- Prioritization of TEPP by departments
- Very popular summer demand!
   Summer 2021 saw a 226% increase in permits issued from winter

## Temporary Expedited Patio Program Background - Regulatory Flexibility

- Using simple patio typology to allow for expedited review process
- Allowing use of a neighbouring business's frontage for a patio on a short-term basis
- Allowing patios on private parking spaces
- Using street space on the major road network and arterials for patios, which are typically prioritized for transit, goods and other vehicle movement
- Allowing extension of liquor service area to include outdoor areas due to Provincial liquor service relaxations
- Since occupant load was not increased, staff did not need to require additional washrooms or other building code requirements



## Temporary Expedited Patio Program Background - Results

- 421 patios approved for summer 2020
- 692 patios approved for summer 2021
- Positive feedback from businesses
- Continued business education & public engagement key for long-term success



#### Summer 2021 Season

**Total Patios** 

# 692

In detail:

516 patios in Public Spaces

- Sidewalk (Large & Small): 128
- Curbside: 388

176 patios in Private Spaces











## Temporary Expedited Patio Program Feedback

- Businesses and Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) indicated that TEPP was a success, providing vital economic support during pandemic
- Addition of patios supported more vibrant streetscape
- Businesses are interested in additional patio amenities
- BIAs shared a desire to undertake a program review, including fees
- Key themes from Advisory Committees: accessibility, displacement of sidewalk space, displacement of parking and bus stops, and privatization of public space
- More engagement and review is recommended in 2022, to be included in a report back to council following the summer patio season



### Proposed Approach Learning from TEPP

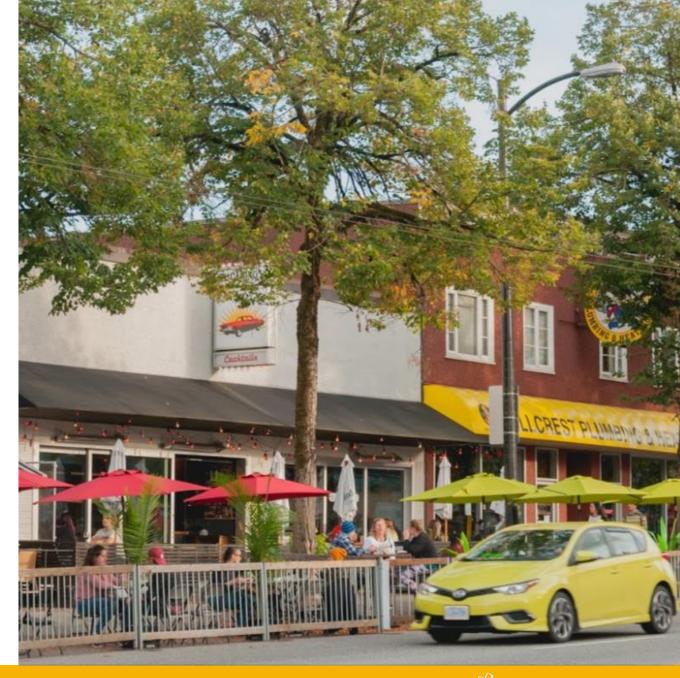
Launch a <u>summer patio program</u> on private and public property that allows for:

- Timely approval of low-complexity patios
- A recurring summer patio season from April 1 to October 31
- Businesses to expand patio occupancy in summer season
   20% shift + 12 seats for businesses with 2 existing washrooms
- The continued use of patios on streets
- Outdoor patios for breweries and distilleries



### Proposed Approach Next Steps

- Invite all TEPP permit holders to apply for allseason or seasonal (summer) patios for 2022
- Seek business commitments by October 15 on type of patio preference (annual or summer)
- Continued business education to ensure patios remain safe, accessible and enjoyable for all
- Reinstate patio fees in 2022 using the existing framework in place prior to 2020
- Conduct a review of the patio program and fee structure in 2022 to inform fees in 2023
- Launch public and business engagement exploring new patio design guidelines in 2022
- Report back to Council on findings after launching first full season



### Report 1a Recommendations

- 1. Amending the Street Vending Bylaw to include a curbside patio definition.
- 2. Directing staff to undertake review of the entire patio program, including design guidelines and a review of fees, and to report back.
- 3. Support an incremental patio program budget of \$682,000 for additional operating costs associated with the summer patio program to be funded from patio fees and brought forward for consideration in the 2022 budget process.

### Report 1b Recommendations

1. Referral of the Zoning and Development By-Law Amendments to allow Patios for Liquor Manufacturers to Public Hearing.

