

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
JULY 7, 2020 AGENDA**

<p>Subject:</p> <p>South of Main (SOMA) Temporary Entertainment District</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Planning & Development Department</p>	<p>Action Required:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Approved By:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">SYNOPSIS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FISCAL IMPACT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RECOMMENDATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BACKGROUND</p>	<p>The South Main District of Downtown Little Rock is seeking approval from the Board of Directors for a Temporary Entertainment District to support outdoor dining areas not adjacent to the associated restaurant facility.</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Approval of the resolution.</p> <p>On June 8, 2020, the City of Little Rock and Capitol Zoning District, through the Dine Out Initiative, received an application for the South Main District of downtown. In working with Capitol Zoning, on June 11, 2020, the City approved the requested temporary outdoor seating, and a Temporary Zoning Permit was issued by Capital Zoning. The outdoor seating area is to be used by multiple restaurants in the area and is located within a portion of parking lot at the southeast corner of Main Street and 13th Street.</p> <p>The applicant, following Capitol Zoning and City of Little Rock approval, applied to the Arkansas Alcohol and Beverage Control Division (ABC) for approval to modify their current permits and allow the outdoor use area. ABC has determined that since the outdoor use area was not adjacent to the respective restaurants, the area needed to be located within an Entertainment District.</p>
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