



**Township Council**  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

**Louise M. Palagano**  
*Municipal Clerk*

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Meeting: 03/25/24 07:00 PM

**2024 RESOLUTION APPROVAL**

**RESOLUTION: TEMPORARILY AMENDING CHAPTER 466 - SIDEWALK CAFES (Waive Fees)**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Murphy signed legislation in 2022 extending outdoor dining until November 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield wish to continue the temporary expansion of the Township's Sidewalk Cafes regulations in order to ease the burden on the Township's restaurants and eateries.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that the Outdoor Dining/Sidewalk Café License fee of \$200 shall be waived for the 2024 season; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a restaurant or eatery shall submit a new Outdoor Dining/Sidewalk Café application through the Municipal Clerk's office that complies with the Township's revised regulations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Township may issue a license for an existing restaurant to expand outdoor dining during the 2024 season, subject to the following:

1. Outdoor dining may be conducted on any existing restaurant or eatery property throughout the Township between the hours of 6 AM to 10 PM on weekdays and 6 AM to 11 PM on weekends (Friday and Saturday) through November 30, 2024; and
2. Currently licensed restaurants or eateries may create outdoor dining on private property, the public sidewalk in front of their business and the public sidewalk next to their business with the consent of the property owner and adjoining business; and
3. Outdoor dining may be permitted on municipally governed areas, such as sidewalks,

streets or parking lots, as designated and authorized by the Township; and

4. Service of alcoholic beverages shall be permitted in outdoor areas licensed or allowed by temporary Alcoholic Beverage Control or State regulations; and

5. There shall be no amplified music of any kind within the outdoor dining area; and

6. At no time shall the outdoor dining consist of pre-fixed, coordinated banquet-type events attended by more than 20 people, but shall include only an expansion of the regular dining activity offered by each restaurant or eatery; and

7. The Township may permit both electric and propane heaters for outdoor dining with approvals from the Construction Department (electric) and Fire Department (propane) and subject to Township guidelines; and

8. Seasonal canopies must be removed during severe weather events; and

9. Structures must be approved by the Construction Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Insurance, Indemnification Agreement and Maintenance Agreement requirements of Chapter 466 shall remain in effect.

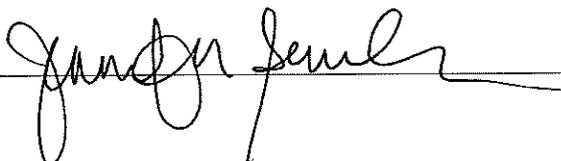
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Township may waive other sections of Chapter 466 and enact other regulations as appropriate to maintain order and enhance public safety.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.

  
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Director of Law-Township Attorney

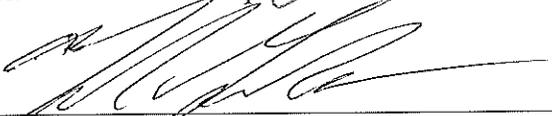
I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

  
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Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on March 25, 2024.

  
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 Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

  
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 Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

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