

May 21, 2020

Mr. Steven Hadley  
Director of Community Outreach  
**Councilmember Barbara Bry**  
**The City of San Diego**  
202 C Street, MS 10A  
San Diego, CA 92101

RE: Street Deck Dining

The La Jolla Shores Association (LJSA) at its May 13th meeting discussed the concept of closing 1 block of Avenida de la Playa for evening outside dining. This concept is to assist the local restaurants and community getting back on their feet economically while complying with COVID-19 measures.

Restaurants along Avenida de la Playa would be allowed to construct wooden decks, the same height as the adjacent sidewalk, over those Avenida de la Playa parking stalls that front the restaurant. Each deck would have a railing that would run along three sides of the deck's perimeter.

This concept was approved by members of the La Jolla Shores Association and was embraced by the general community that attended the meeting via Zoom.

The LJSA proceeded to set up an AdHoc Committee of Phil Wise (Chair), Ross Rudolph, Coco Tihayni, Matt Edwards and Janie Emerson to work on this concept. This Committee has met and has contacted all the restaurants in the area who are enthusiastic about this concept. The City has also been contacted to get the requirements needed to proceed.

This is an exciting concept to expand business and help our local small businesses get back on their feet. We hope you will work to help put this concept in motion in the Shores as well as similar San Diego submarkets.

Sincerely,  
Janie Emerson  
President LJSA