



The City of
OKLAHOMA CITY

“STREATERY” Approval Process

Background & Purpose

The City of Oklahoma City recognizes that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted many businesses. Businesses such as restaurants and bars are encouraged to consult and follow CDC protocols and OCCHD health guidelines upon reopening, which recommend social distancing between customers. This often reduces seating capacity and further impacts the ability of these businesses to operate and remain viable. Consumer behaviors have also changed due to COVID-19. Surveys indicate that being able to sit outside is a key factor for consumers to feel comfortable going to restaurants and bars.

Certain restaurants and bars in Oklahoma City have limited options to expand outdoor dining onto sidewalks or elsewhere on their private property and are interested in utilizing adjacent on-street parking spaces within the public right-of-way. The City wishes to help restaurants and bars adapt to and recover from the COVID-19 situation by defining an administrative process for approval of temporary outdoor seating options to serve as streateries.

Financial Assistance

The City of Oklahoma City has established a Business Support Program with funding appropriated through the CARES Act’s Coronavirus Relief Fund. The program allows for reimbursement of building retrofit costs that are necessary due to the COVID-19 health emergency, such as expanding seating capacity of restaurants and bars to accommodate social distancing recommended by the CDC. Business owners wishing to seek financial assistance through the Business Support Program can contact the Alliance for Economic Development to apply for reimbursement of business retrofit costs associated with streateries, including construction costs, permit fees and parking meter hooding fees (if applicable).



Streateries Concept

Across the country, cities are initiating “streatery” (street + eatery) programs that utilize on-street parking space(s) adjacent to a business to allow for outdoor seating where sidewalk or patio space is not available or not practical.

Process and Requirements

Business owners seeking approval to locate a streaterly within on-street parking spaces adjacent to their restaurant or bar must obtain an administrative Revocable Permit from the City's Public Works Director and any other required permits (such as electrical, if proposed). Revocable permits will allow streateries to be temporarily located in the public right-of-way until December 30, 2020. The permit holder shall be responsible for maintaining the streaterly, including daily cleaning, maintenance and pest control and for coordinating and paying for removal by or before the expiration of the permit. Evidence of liability insurance for a minimum coverage of \$1 million naming the City of Oklahoma City as additional insured is also required for approval. Plans may be administratively approved, provided the streaterly conforms to the following:

1. Is located on a street with speed limit of 30 mph or less;
2. Is not located within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or within 60 feet of a bus stop;
3. Is limited in size to two parallel parking spaces or three angled spaces adjacent to the restaurant/bar and does not include reserved parking spaces for the physically disabled;
4. Is designed and constructed to be ADA compliant and access into the streaterly is provided only from the curb side;
5. Is physically defined by a highly visible raised perimeter no greater than 3 feet tall along all sides adjacent to parking and traffic lanes;
6. Is demarcated by reflective tape (meeting or exceeding the requirements of DOT C2) on all sides of the perimeter adjacent to parking or traffic lanes;
7. Is set back from abutting parking spaces and the edge of the traffic lane to provide a minimum of 2 feet of clearance, any gap between a platform and the curb is 1/2 inch or less;
8. Does not include an overhead roof or other structures as covering(s);
9. Does not block storm drains, gutters, or access to City utilities; and
10. Does not require bolting or any type of mechanical fastening that can cause damage to the street or sidewalk.

Permit / Approval Process

1. PREPARE PLANS	Prepare plans and specifications that demonstrate the requirements listed above have been met, including setbacks, basic construction and the vertical height requirements for the raised perimeter elements.
2. SUBMIT APPLICATION	Submit plans and specifications along with a completed application to: Public Works Department 420 W. Main Street, 7th Floor Oklahoma City, OK 73102 or email to: pwsubmittal@okc.gov
3. CHECK PERMITS	Determine if any other types of permits are necessary (such as an electrical permit if extending electrical services into the streaterly area) and obtain those permits.
4. PAY FEES	Pay \$50.00 Revocable Permit application fee. If utilizing metered on-street parking spaces, fill out and submit a Parking Meter Hood Request found at http://parkingokc.com . Fees are \$20.00 per business day, Monday through Friday (excluding weekends and holidays) per metered parking space plus a monthly \$35.00 administration fee.

For questions, please contact the Public Works Department at (405) 297-2581.