



# THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO

## Proposed Outdoor Dining Ordinance Standards





# Purpose

**Proposed Outdoor Dining Ordinance is to allow for permanent outdoor dining on the public right of way and on private property in conjunction with an eating or drinking establishment. Standards are included to ensure that the outdoor seating is aesthetically pleasing providing high-quality environment for patrons and is appropriately designed for the location.**





# Goals

- **Allow outdoor dining on private and public property to support businesses' economic growth**
- **Enhance the urban experience by activating the streetscape, facilitating pedestrian oriented commercial area, and foster a sense of community**
- **Provide a high-quality environment for patrons**
- **Appropriate design for the location**





# Applicability

- Applies to private properties and public sidewalks
- Provides development and design standards and operating regulations for outdoor dining.
- Outdoor dining on private property requires an approved Site Plan Review (SPR) from the Planning Division.
- Outdoor dining on public sidewalks requires an approved Encroachment Permit from the Public Works Engineering Division.

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- Applicants are encouraged to contact Engineering or Planning prior to submitting a formal application to discuss preliminary design.

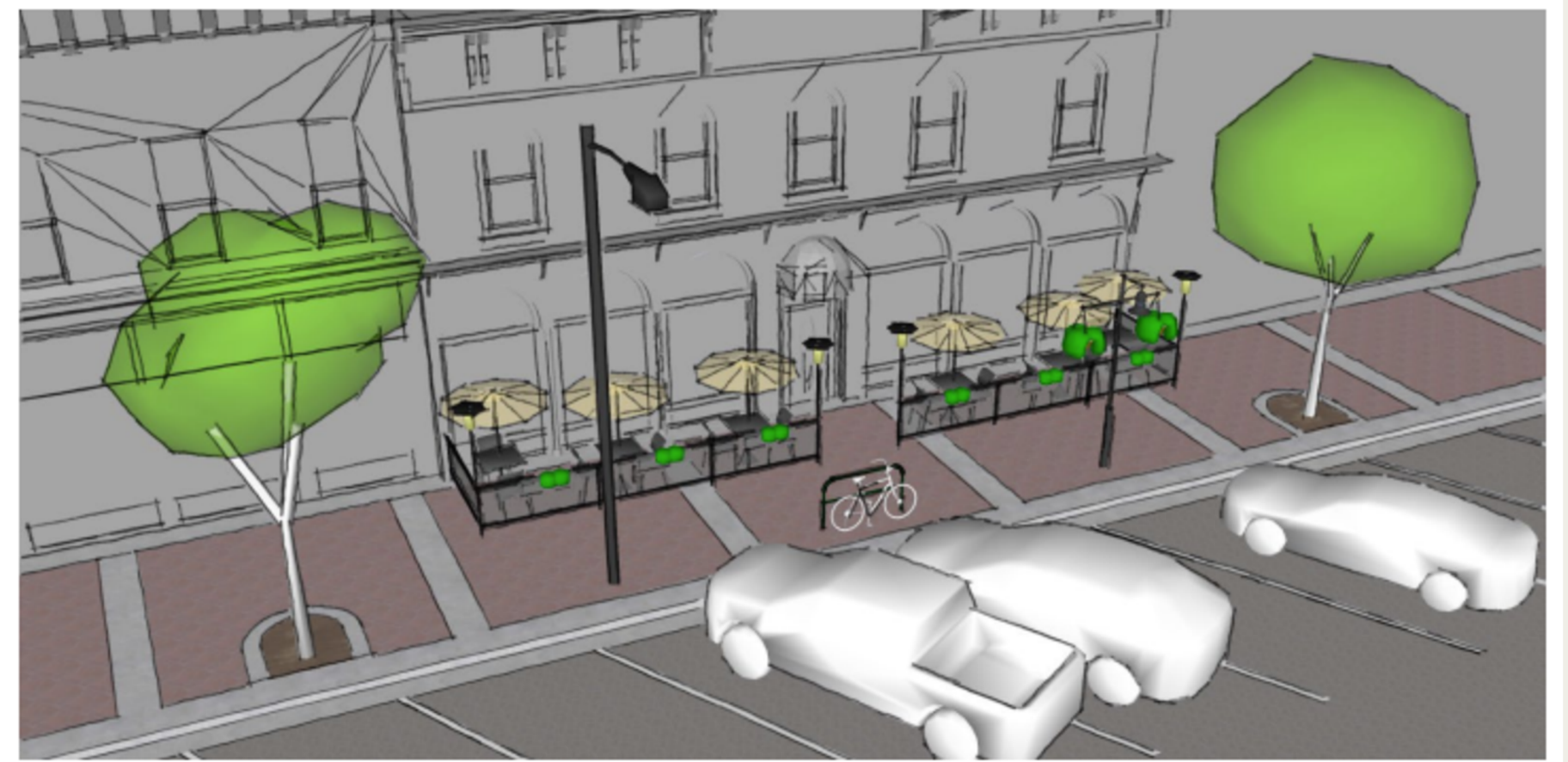
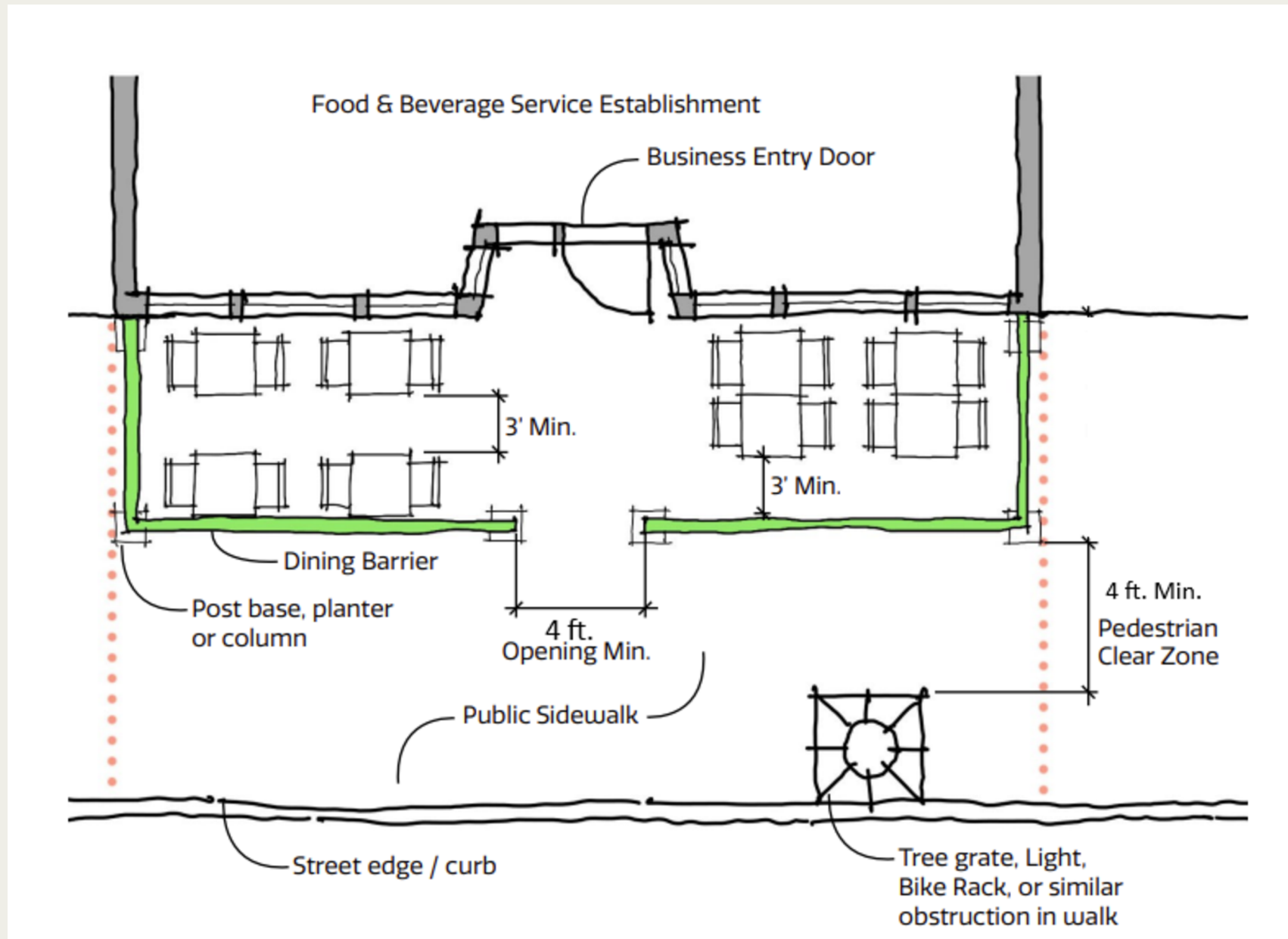


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# Development Standards

- Site Plan of Outdoor dining area to ensure the building ingress/egress
- Plan should show a clear path, free of all obstructions for pedestrian traffic

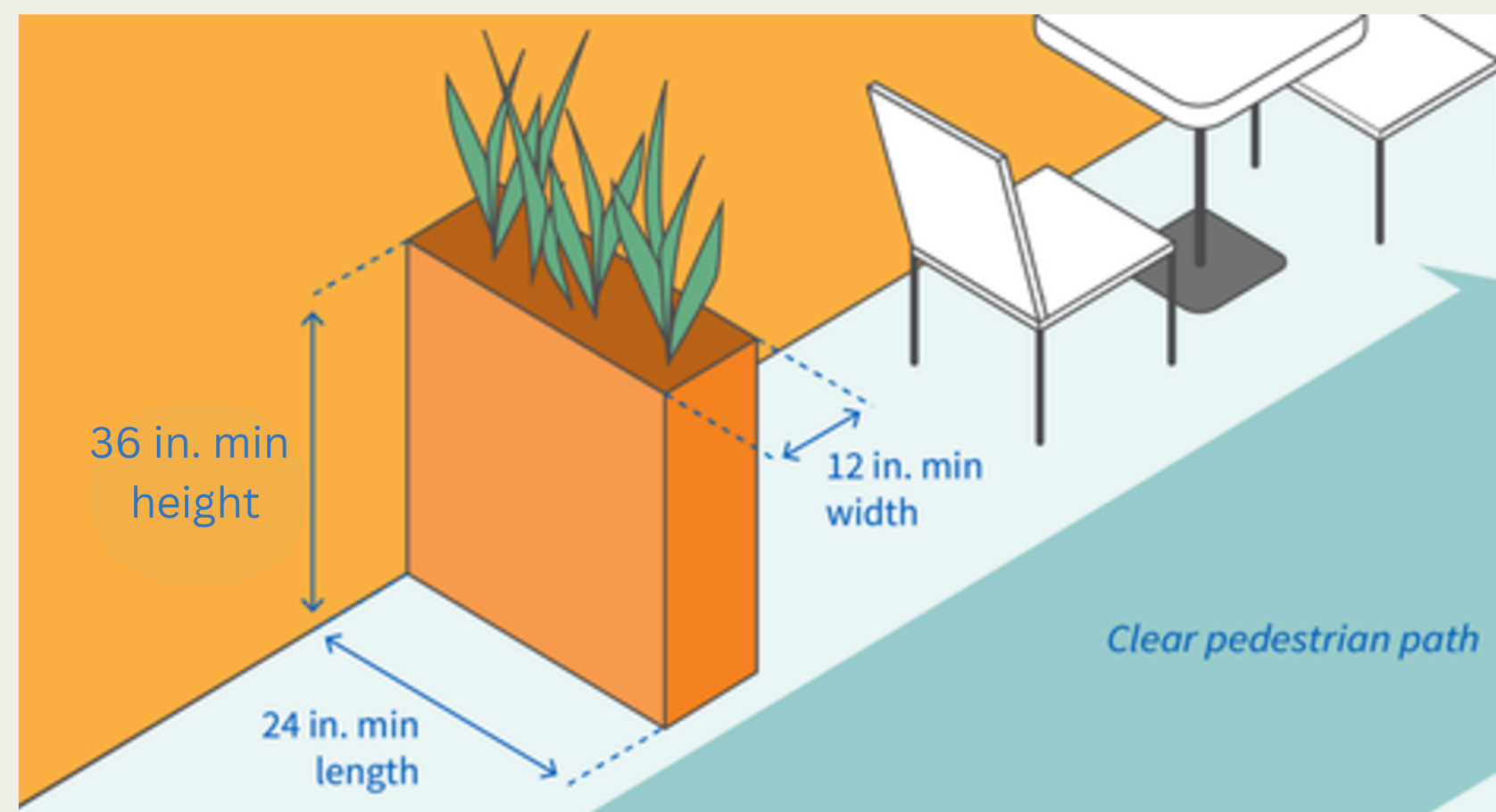


Sample Floor Plan w/ 3D Model



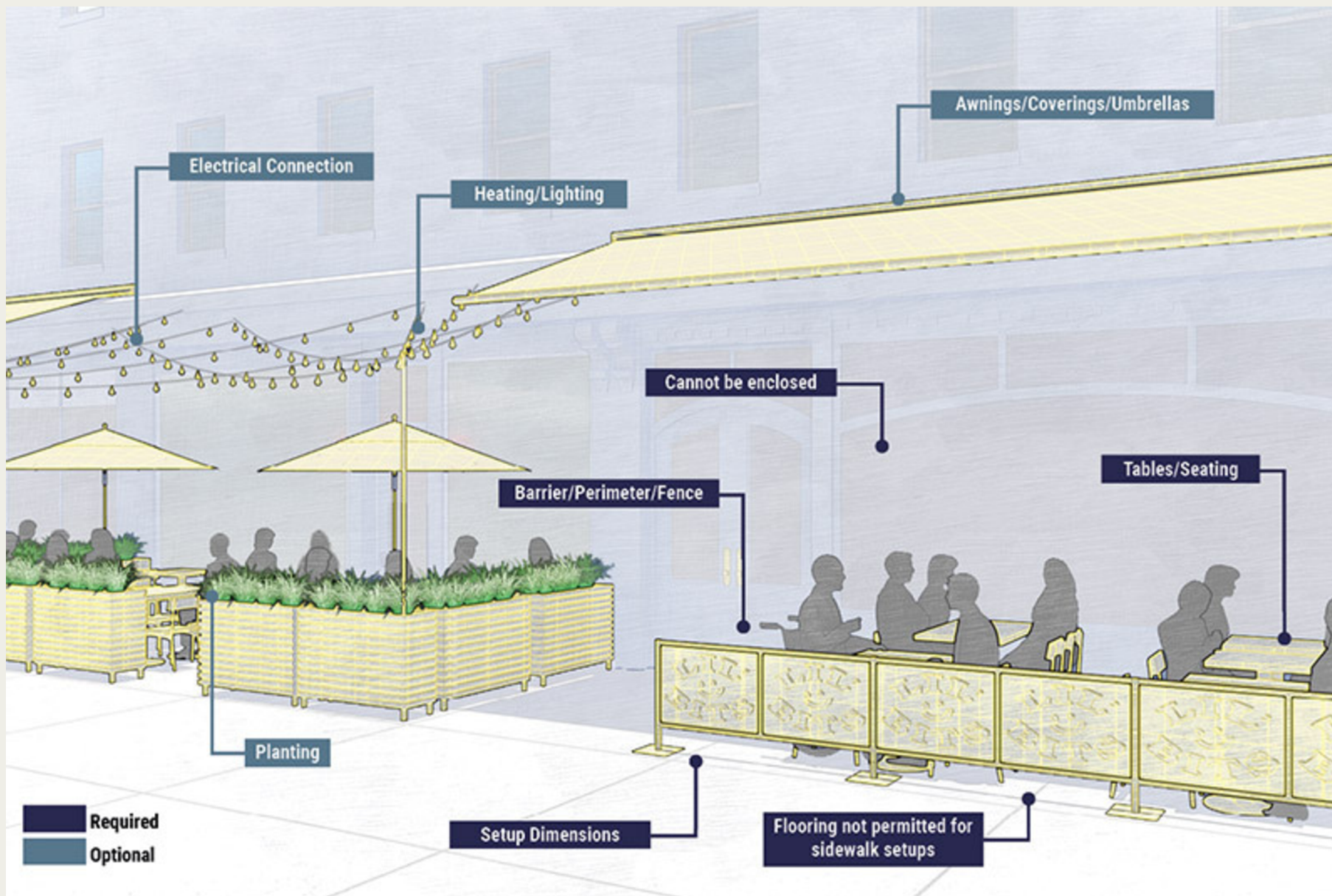


- Access openings should be placed in a location that will not create confusion for visually impaired pedestrians.
- To ensure their effectiveness as pedestrian control devices and their ability to be detected by persons with vision impairments, any barriers or planters must meet the minimum required height.





# Design Standards



While the use of barriers for outdoor dining is not mandated, unless selling alcohol, it is strongly encouraged to enhance safety and define dining areas from the **public street**.

Dining/seating area barriers (fences, gates, ropes, etc.) shall be visually appealing, and help to separate the dining/seating area from the sidewalk.

Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Open fencing or railing
- Planter Boxes
- Rope

Outdoor dining area can also include Umbrellas, Lighting, and Heating.



# Design Examples



**Metal Railing/Open Fencing Barriers**



**Rope Stanchions**



**Fairy Lights / String Lights**



**Portable Heaters**



**Wooden Fencing w/ Stanchions**



**Planter Boxes (Wooden, Metal, Ceramic)**

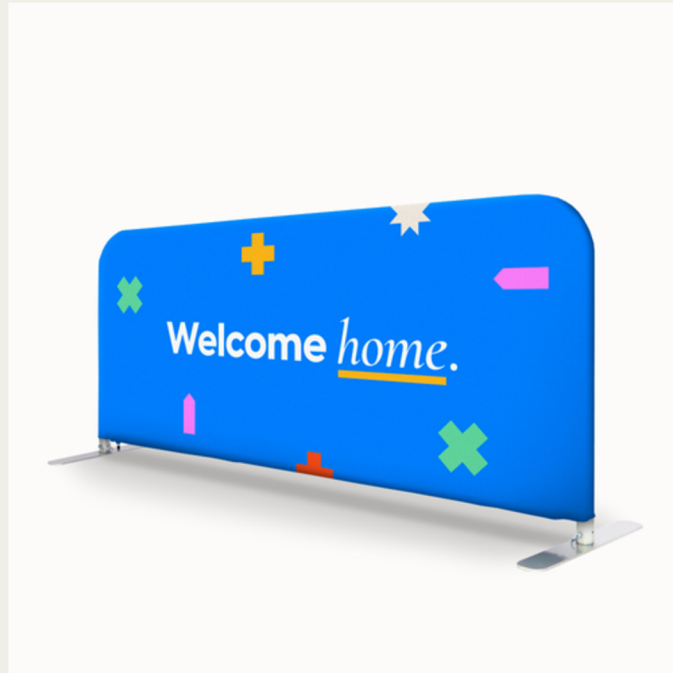


**Sturdy, High Quality Furniture (Chairs & Tables)**



# Prohibited Materials

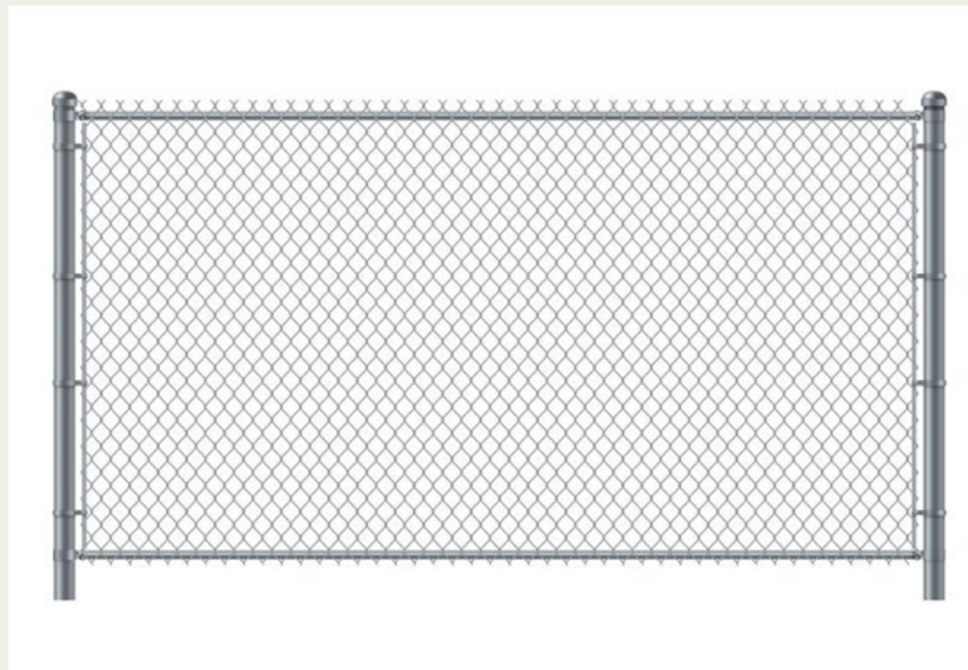
**FABRIC INSERTS  
(NATURAL OR  
SYNTHETIC)**



**UMBRELLAS WITH  
ADVERTISEMENT OR  
BRANDING**



**CHAINLINK, CYCLONE,  
CHICKEN WIRE FENCING  
MATERIAL**



**PALLETS**



# Operating Standards

## HOURS OF OPERATION:

CITY-WIDE, EXCEPT SP-5 DOWNTOWN DISTRICT:  
7AM TO 11PM DAILY

WITHIN SP-5 DOWNTOWN DISTRICT:  
7AM TO 12AM DAILY

OUTDOOR DINING SHALL BE OPERATED IN A MANNER THAT  
MEETS REQUIREMENTS OF THE:

- LA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE
- CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE
- SAN FERNANDO MUNICIPAL CODE
- CALIFORNIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

## PROHIBITED ITEMS:



**NO COVER  
CHARGE**



TELEVISION MONITORS/SCREENS/SPEAKERS



ANY LIVE ENTERTAINMENT



POOL TABLES







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