

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

Street Café Pilot Program

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Sidewalk Café Program



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Sidewalk Café Program

- 2009 most recent update to Sidewalk Café Program
- 240+ licensed sidewalk cafes in Minneapolis
- Sidewalk cafes can support and enhance the pedestrian experience of public realm
- Narrow sidewalks can lead to uninviting pedestrian environments, less greening, and limited opportunities for sidewalk cafés



Parklet Program



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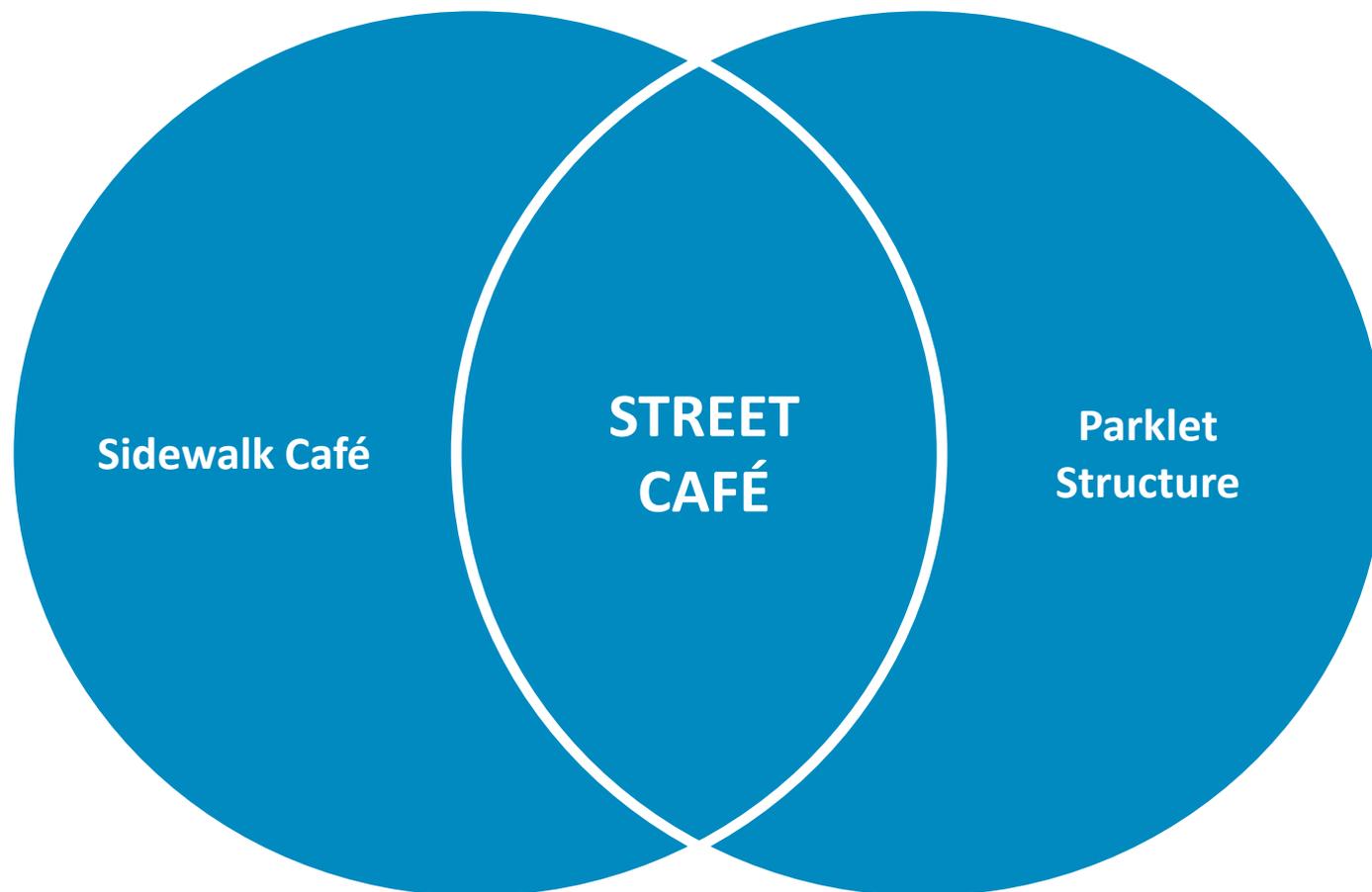
Parklet Program

A parklet is a seasonal expansion of the existing sidewalk designed for the public to relax and enjoy the city.

- 2014 – Pilot Season
 - Three city-owned parklets: Wards 3, 5, & 10
- 2015 – Expansion, application-based program
 - Minneapolis Parklet Program Application Manual
 - 5 parklets, Wards 1, 5, 9, 10
- 2016 – New locations, refine application-based program
 - 5 parklets, Wards 3, 6, 8, 10, 12



Sidewalk Café + Parklet Structure?



What are Street Cafés?

- A Street café is a structure placed in the roadway that serves as seating for ground floor serving businesses.
- Street Cafes are permitted areas that function as seating for an adjacent restaurant or business. These are not open to the public but function as an extension of the restaurant or café.



Street Cafés



Street Café Pilot Program

New sidewalk café site plan option that supports local business, provides opportunities for private investment in enhancing the public realm, and helps manage demands on the pedestrian environment.

- 2016 – Up to 5 pilot locations
- 2017 – Up to 5 additional pilot locations
- Support across a variety of stakeholder groups:
 - Business Districts
 - Improvement Districts
 - Council Members
 - City of Minneapolis Public Works & CPED



Configurations

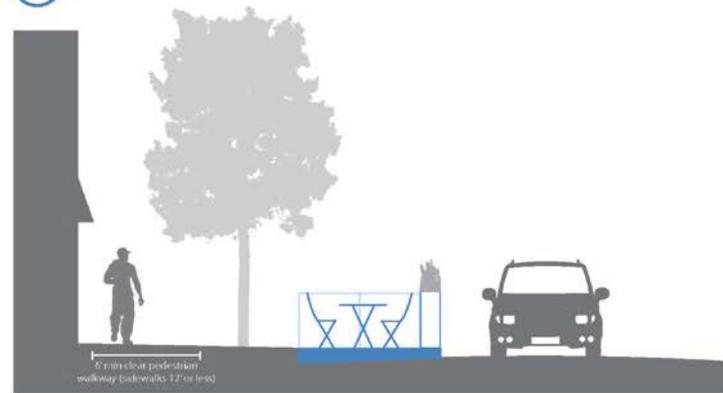
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Sidewalk Cafe: Adjacent to building



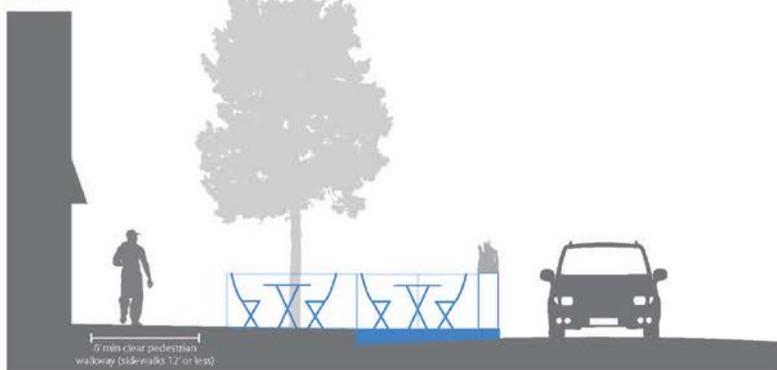
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Street Cafe: In 1-2 parking spaces

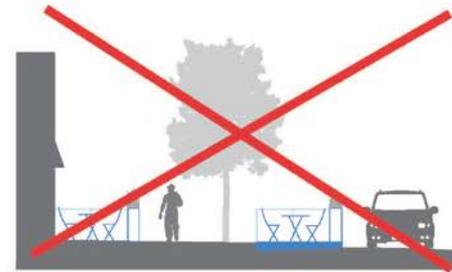


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Extended Street Cafe: In 1-2 parking spaces + sidewalk cafe in furnishing zone



Not acceptable: sidewalk cafe building adjacent + Street cafe



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Next Steps

- Fees and permits
- Connect with eligible businesses
- Provide guidance to informational resources for design/implementation of Street Cafés.

