Parklet Program Overview

FAQs

What is a Parklet?
A parklet is a temporary space in the public right-of-way dedicated for public use. Parklets are located in the parking lane and operate as an expansion of the existing sidewalk where the public can relax and enjoy the urban environment.

Who pays for a Parklet?
Parklets are funded and maintained by the sponsor group or organization.

Are Parklets permanent or temporary?
Temporary. Parklets are deployed in the spring after street sweeping and are removed in the fall.

Who can apply for a Parklet?
Eligible applicants must be able to provide daily maintenance tasks (sweep, pick up trash, water plants, etc.). Eligible applicants may be, but are not limited to:

- Neighborhood organizations
- Ground-floor businesses
- Non-profit and community based organizations
- Special Service Districts

How do I apply for a Parklet?
Learn more at http://www.minneapolismn.gov/pedestrian/

For more info on how to host a parklet, contact Kelsey Fogt at 612-673-3885 or kelsey.fogt@minneapolismn.gov.

Typical Application Timeline

| 0 Months | Applicant submits confirmation of eligibility form |
| 1 Month  | City staff review eligibility |
| 2 Months | Applicant submits final construction plans and obstruction permit |
| 3 Months | Applicant applies for encroachment permit |
|          | Formal maintenance agreement is signed |
|          | Construction |
|          | City conducts post-installation inspection |

Applicant Role

- Liability
- Maintenance
- Design, permitting, construction, and maintenance costs
- Public engagement/letters of support/notification/installation and removal

City Role

- Program management
- Application review
- Design review and approval
- Permit issuance
- Site inspection
- Installation of traffic devices

Public Parklet