

### 3. Discuss the end of Covid Regulation and how to address outdoor tents throughout Fort Bragg

**Issue:** The urgency ordinance of County of Mendocino that provided for tents for outside dining is expiring.

**Possible Discussion Questions:**

1. Should the City Council consider allowing these tents to continue under the City's authority? Need to determine legal authority for this.
2. Should the City allow outside dining in parking lots in the Central Business District without tents?

**County Notice:**

**EXPIRATION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO.'S 4472 and 4494**

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Temporary Business Modifications During COVID-19 - Ordinance No. 4472

On October 20, 2020, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 4472 allowing and establishing requirements for temporary business modifications during the COVID-19 pandemic. Temporary business modifications include temporary tents, expanded outdoor seating areas, covered porches and/or patios, etc. that were added in response to Public Health Order requirements and did not obtain required building permits or discretionary permits.

The Ordinance allowing these temporary business modifications has expired and individuals who made temporary business modifications have 90 days to either remove any modifications made or apply for appropriate permits to keep the modifications.

The Department of Planning and Building Services is providing 90 days from the date of this Press Release or until August 8, 2023 for individuals to submit for appropriate permits to retain any temporary modifications on a permanent basis.

Temporary Water Storage Tanks - Ordinance No. 4494

On July 13, 2021, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 4494 allowing for the temporary installation and use of water tanks during the drought emergency. On April 25, 2023, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 23-077 terminating the existence of a local emergency due to drought conditions, and as a result the Ordinance expired.

Since the Ordinance is expired, individuals who installed temporary water storage tanks have 30 days to either remove these tanks or apply for appropriate permits to keep them.

The Department of Planning and Building Services is providing 30 days from the date of this Press Release or until June 9, 2023 for individuals to submit for appropriate permits to retain the temporary water tanks on a permanent basis.