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Temporary Outdoor Permits Now Available for Personal Care Services

Hair & Nail Salons, Barbershops & Body Waxing ~~& Tattoo Parlors~~ May Expand to Outdoor Areas with a Simple No-Cost Permit

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******** State Law Does Not Allow for Delivery of These Services Outdoors********

STOCKTON, Calif. – The City of Stockton is now offering temporary outdoor permits so that personal care services such as hair salons, barbershops, and body waxing ~~and tattoo parlors~~ may expand outdoors into City-owned public property, parking lots, or other outdoor spaces controlled by the business. Expanding outdoors allows businesses to deliver services and customers to access services, while complying with physical distancing, face coverings, hygiene, sanitation, and other public health requirements. This is made possible through a Local Emergency Order issued by the City allowing for outdoor services.

“Changing requirements have been difficult for local business owners,” shared Assistant Economic Development Director Janice Miller. “The option of offering services outdoors presents its own challenges, but the City can assist by helping with creative solutions that are flexible and responsive, and allow business owners and operators to focus on the health and safety of operating a business.”

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To use a designated outdoor space for providing personal care services, applicants complete and sign a simple permit application form, attach photographs and/or drawings of the proposed space, and provide proof of appropriate insurance, then submit it to the Community Development Department. Requirements are listed on the permit form and in the City of Stockton Local Emergency Order, including accessibility information; hours of operation; restrictions for structures, fencing and amplification; and compliance with all other applicable local, county and state laws.

In addition, the provisions of the Stockton Municipal Code that limit temporary signage, such as A-frames, window signs or banners for business advertisement and promotion are suspended during the local emergency, as long as the signs do not block, impede or interfere with the public right-of-way and safe travel of vehicles and pedestrians. This will allow businesses offering such services to communicate changes in service more easily during the local emergency.

“We implemented a Temporary Local Emergency Order for Outdoor Dining in early June and now many local restaurants offer outdoor seating in addition to take-out and curbside pick-up,” said Stephanie Ocasio, Assistant Director of Community Development. “We can issue temporary outdoor permits for personal care services quickly, often electronically, and at no cost to the business, allowing businesses to provide services under the State and County Orders.”

For a permit application and list of requirements, please visit www.stocktonca.gov/CDD or call the Community Development Department at (209) 937-8561. Other related services and program information is available at www.advantagestockton.com or on the Economic

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