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To: Planning Commission
From: Urban Design Committee
Date: April 19th, 2021
RE: **Proposed edits to the City of Richmond Parklet Guidelines**

I. PURPOSE

The Department of Planning and Development Review has been working with the Department of Public Works to implement the City's parklet program. Through a series of internal staff meetings it has been determined that two components of the City of Richmond Parklet Guidelines should be updated - anchoring and safety measures.

II. Proposed Edits

a. Remove requirement to anchor parklets to the street and curb (pg. 14)

The requirement to anchor parklets should no longer be included, as anchoring cause damage to the street and curb, as well as creates a potential obstacle if the parklet must be quickly removed in the case of an emergency.

b. Inclusion of additional safety measures (pg. 16)

Additional examples of safety measures that can be implemented at parklet locations should be added to the existing list on page 16 of the Parklet Guidelines Document.

III. SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

The Urban Design Committee recommends that the Planning Commission approve the proposed edits to the City of Richmond's Parklet Guidelines.

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