

*Submitted by staff  
at 1/17/13 meeting  
Item 2*

**Policy on Outdoor Restaurant Seating**  
Recommendations from TAC, January 17, 2013

1. Recommend against creation of new regulations re outdoor restaurant seating. This could be a significant battle, and the additional workload and enforcement activity required for such a small amount of benefit makes this inadvisable.
2. If the Board were to adopt new rules re outdoor seating:
  - (a) factor for outdoor seating should be significantly lower than .02 (indoor seating), such as .01 or less;
  - (b) instead of requiring a permit for seating above 25% of indoor seats, consider a requirement of 50%
3. The District should reevaluate the factor currently in effect for restaurant seating.
4. Consider that enforcement would need to take place on evenings and weekends, which would be a significant expense for the District.