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From: JMBROCATO@aol.com
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 4:08 PM
To: hpruette@neptune-beach.com
Subject: Sidewalk Lease Renewal

Dear Mayor;

Prior to tonight's City Council workshop, I received a draft of the Sidewalk Lease Agreement. We are looking forward to signing the document and renewing our lease.

In July, our neighbors at Sundog were concerned about the high usage of our outdoor seating. Due to its popularity, customers want to use the sidewalk seating beyond the City's midnight curfew. Extending the sidewalk seating privilege until closing time would eliminate customer confusion and resentment.

Please consider the following:

- Caribbee Key is in its sixth year of operation
- customers favor sidewalk seating when band music begins at 10PM inside the building
- our kitchen is open until midnight or later if needed.
- closing the outdoor seating at midnight and stacking the chairs gives the impression the restaurant is closing for the night, discouraging potential diners.
- customers don't believe our explanation of why they must leave the outdoor seating area at midnight.

Our request:

After we sign the lease renewal, please consider our request to eliminate the midnight curfew from the sidewalk seating ordinance.

I am available anytime to further discuss this request.

Regards;

John Brocato

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From: curtis winter [curtiswinter@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2009 7:12 PM

To: Eric Pardee; Fred Lee; Harriette P; John Weldon; Kara Tucker

Hello Council,

I just spoke to John Broccota and both he and I would like to address with you the curfew for outside seating. We would like to see it moved to 2am or even 1:30am (for last call). It would be much easier on those of us who manage our businesses to clear the patio at that time. I would also like for you to reconsider allowing me to have smoking on the new patio we are building on the west end of SunDog. It is private property and most of the skirmishes I get in is bringing people inside from the patio early and smoking on the patio. All of my neighbors are allowed smoking on their private patios. It would also allow me to better control the butts. I can place many ashtrays on the patio for my customers to use as opposed to the front entrance where the customers sometimes stay out there after we close, so we wait to clean it up the next morning. Mainly for security reasons, as we move money you do not want to keep the front door open. Thank you for these considerations and as always if you have any questions please stop by. Sincerely, Curtis.

P.S. Do not e-mail me because the newspaper reads all the e-mails as I found out the hard way. HA! HA!

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