

Plaza Street Discussion with Business Owners  
9/8/2020 @ 10:30 AM

**Attendance:**

Steven Maduro (Duke's), Emma (Brush Salon), Linda Viani (Seasons of the Vineyard), Christina Stafford (Stafford Gallery), Lori Austin (Lori Austin Gallery), Chris (One-O-One), Kelly Graber (JCB), Larry Z., Dave J., Anna G., and Matt M.

**General Discussion:**

- Provided overview of what is being recommended to City Council.
- Duke's, Brush Salon, and Seasons of the Vineyard seemed to remain supportive of the keeping the closure.
- Items discussed:
  - Public Parklet on Plaza-side of Street (keeping 2-way traffic open)
    - Less interest in this from businesses
    - Seemed that less direct impact to each business might be the reason
  - Extending parklets toward Plaza Park (by a few feet) by re-configuring traffic so that parking stalls along Plaza Park become East-bound vehicle traffic and accommodates West-bound traffic.
    - Proposed by Duke's
    - Would require more thought, but likely possible
    - Would require use of road barriers along Plaza Street
    - Would lose parking on Plaza Park side
    - Issue with steep roadway remains.
    - Parking stalls where parklets do not exist could still be used as public parking.
    - Semi-interest from other businesses
  - Finding a solution for a more permanent parklet that is business-specific and includes public seating (keeping 2-way traffic open)
    - General support from everyone
    - Would require outside funding
  - Extending MarketSpace program to September 2021
    - No objections
  - If City Council moves forward with reopening Plaza Street, equipment would be removed on Thursday morning (9/10) before the weekend.