Sidewalk Café and Sidewalk Signs

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SIDEWALK CAFE

- 50 permits issued per year
- Review site condition, pedestrian activity and accessibility
- Sidewalk slopes, street furniture, trees, utility poles, meters, bike racks
- Pedestrian versus atmosphere
SHARED SPACE USE CONCEPT

- Consider shared space use for Type 2 restaurants - service of food and/or beverages for consumption on and/or off the premises

- Identify locations in the Downtown Business District and other Districts

- Partner with Downtown Evanston and Other Business District Organizations to oversee maintenance
EXAMPLE SHARED USE
POSSIBLE LOCATIONS
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ENCLOSURES CONCEPT

- Avoid sidewalk chairs and table creep
- Require enclosures, may affect a few that have permits – will work with them
- Chicago requires enclosures
- Require live plantings as part of enclosure for aesthetics
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NEXT STEPS

• Develop shared locations
• Develop enclosure standards
• Present to Committee – July 2015
COMMERCIAL SIDEWALK SIGNS

- About 15 permits issued per year
- Store owners when notified are provided permit applications
- Store owners remove signs temporarily
- Compliance is an issue/Messaging is an issue
NEXT STEPS

• Staff will increase inspection and notification

• Public Works does not have Administrative Adjudication Process

• Consider storefront signage for pedestrians to see – to reduce need for sidewalk signs