Public comment re: Proposal to widen block of sidewalk on 6th Street between Wacouta and Sibley Streets in downtown Saint Paul MN

It is best to leave the sidewalk the normal width and preserve the parking spaces and the revenue they generate. The need for on-street parking is greater than the need for sidewalk cafes in our climate. The same restaurants asking for wider sidewalk for outdoors dining may find that in the other colder 8 months they need those parking spaces for their customers.

If demand for outdoor dining exceeds the existing space, the restaurants could promote some type of carry out that can be eaten in Mears Park across the street.

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