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City Establishes Dedicated Carry-Out Parking Spaces

Marked short-term curbside parking to support downtown restaurants as pandemic restrictions continue.

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA – October 30, 2020 – As the community continues to adjust to the local impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Lafayette is announcing a move intended to support local restaurants and bakeries. Residents and visitors to downtown will notice new signage marking dedicated parking spots for food carry-out customers. These parking spots, in close proximity to a variety of eateries, will be utilized for customers who wish to patronize their favorite restaurants while being mindful of health and safety guidelines.

As the popular dining experience *Fresh Air Eats* comes to a close and colder weather sets in, the City recognizes that many restaurants are still struggling to operate without losses. In an effort to remove as many barriers as possible for these businesses, the City will be placing signs near the entrances to restaurants who request the spots. Every effort will be made to accommodate these requests, and the move is not expected to significantly impact the availability of parking downtown for other customers and visitors.

“With the weather changing going into the winter months, local restaurants and food service businesses need new options to serve their customers. Curbside pickup and delivery are proving to be popular to help these businesses serve their customers. Mayor Roswarski and the City of Lafayette understand the challenges these owner-operators are facing and we hope this is one way to support them,” states Dennis Carson, Economic Development Director.

Downtown restaurants and bakeries who wish to dedicate a curbside parking spot should contact the City of Lafayette Parking Operations via phone (765-807-1130) or email (web-parking@lafayette.in.gov).

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