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Dear members of the ALRC,

I very much support Taco Local having an outdoor dining patio behind their building and two tables in front of the building with a 9 pm closing time. The ample evidence of dining patios up and down Williamson Street supports that they do not cause conflicts with their neighbors but instead create a livelier and more pleasant street.

Concerning Taco Local desire to stay open to “bar time”—

For the past two decades, I have been the biggest active advocate in my neighborhood for Willy Street becoming an early evening entertainment district and “restaurant row.” The idea being that people from across the city can start their early evening entertainment on Williamson Street and, as the night progresses, move toward East Main and East Washington—which have been transforming into our late-night entertainment district. (Which I also support.)

Whatever you decide as the appropriate inside closing time for Taco Local will also become the new standard to follow for the restaurant currently under construction next door to it and the other restaurants (Umami, Toyko Sushi, etc.) embedded in the residential/commercial blocks on the south side of Williamson, which has historically never been the location of our neighborhood bars. (Instead, the north side of the street, which is more commercial-oriented, hosts our many taverns.)

I believe a 11 pm inside closing time is a reasonable compromise.

So, please support Taco Local’s application for outdoor dining areas and please give careful consideration to their desire to stay open for late-night hours.

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