

THE
NORTH POINT

"Fine Food and Drink - Old Fashioned Friendly Service"

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To whom it may concern,

Recently, a city inspector stopped by our establishment, "The North Point" restaurant and told us that there had been a change in the outdoor seating guidelines. We are currently licensed to have outdoor seating until 8/22/15.

He told us that we can no longer have seating on the sidewalk after our license expires but recommended that we re-apply for expanded seating now, by utilizing a small strip of the actual street itself. We like this idea and are therefore resubmitting all permit paperwork to apply for new approval. Outdoor dining is essential to our small business as it is only seasonal and helps out with our bottom line. Not being able to have our customers dine outside during the summer months would be devastating to our business, cut much needed jobs and be a great loss for all of our friends in the neighborhood. To date, since our opening two and a half years ago, The North Point has served well over one hundred thousand customers.

Silver Street is not a high traffic street and it is primarily used by the parking valets at our neighbor, The Regency Hotel. There is also ample room for pedestrians on both sides of the street in addition to room for traffic to flow freely, even with a section dedicated to tables.

Please allow us to continue having outdoor dining. We have always been a safe courteous and responsible business.

Outdoor dining is good sense for the local economy, good sense for the job market, good sense for the tourist market. Good sense for our neighborhood and great for Portland in general.

Sincerely



Noah Talmatch

Owner, The North Point Restaurant