

Temporary Activation of 101 Walnut Avenue

License Agreement with IYKYK! Coffee Lab

May 20, 2025

Request & Project Overview

Request: Approval of a License Agreement with EVA Coffee Project LLC (DBA IYKYK! Coffee Lab)

Purpose: Temporarily activate a City-owned vacant lot with a seasonal café to enhance vibrancy in the Downtown area during the summer

Location: 101 Walnut Avenue – behind Dairy Queen, near Pacific City, in a high foot traffic area

Duration: May 24 – October 5, 2025 (optional extension through May 2026)





Key Terms

Financial Terms:

- License Fee: Greater of \$1,200/month or 10% of gross revenue
- Licensee responsible for all utilities, maintenance, improvements, and insurance

Operational Terms:

- Operating Hours: Primarily weekends
 - 8 a.m. 8 p.m.
 - Weekday operations permitted
- All equipment/materials must be removed daily
- Licensee responsible for:
 - Maintaining ADA compliance
 - Preserving existing metered parking access
 - Daily maintenance and full site clean-up



Site Challenges & Pilot Opportunity

Constraints:

- Limited long-term development potential due to size, shape, and regulatory requirements
- 2024 RFP yielded no viable long-term proposals

Pilot Program Benefits:

- Activates an underutilized Downtown site with minimal City investment or risk
- Tests a community-serving use in a low-impact, flexible format
- Supports a Huntington Beach-based business
- Enhances public space and promotes community interaction





Recommendation

Approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the License Agreement with EVA Coffee Project LLC (DBA IYKYK! Coffee Lab)



Questions?

