PARKLET PILOT PROGRAM
DESIGN GUIDELINES
SUMMER 2016
PARKLET

A parklet is a mini-park with some parking spaces for cars and bicycles and amenities that provide a natural ambience to the atmosphere.

PURPOSE

- Create *efficient* uses of urban space.
- Provide *attractive* additions to local streetscapes
- Invite people to *sit and stay* in public spaces
- Enhance *walkability.*
- Encourage *business participation*
Design elements

- Occupy two parking spaces
- Extend 6 feet into the parking strip for parallel parking and 15 feet for diagonal parking.
- Wheel-stop at each end.
- Soft-stop posts for directing traffic.
- Public Seating Areas.
- Curb Drainage.
- Flush with the curb.
- Vertical element.
- Accessibility

design and placement guidelines

1. Max of 7’ width.
2. Maintain curbline drainage.
3. Parklet decking flush with curb.
4. 2’ distance from parklet to wheel stop.
5. 3’ wheel stop.
6. Visually permeable outside edge with railing.
7. Generally 2 parking spots per parklet.
PERMIT PROCESS

STEP 1
DownTown Design
Review Committee

• Planning Review
• Traffic Review
• Fire Review
• Public Works & Engineering

IF APPROVED

DDRC PERMIT
&
ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

STEP 2
Building Department
Review

IF APPROVED

BUILDING PERMIT

STEP 3
ConSTRUCTION

STEP 4
Building Final

NOTE: Application shall be turned in before it is reviewed.
1. A parklet shall be located at least one parking space (approximately 20 feet) from an intersection, but if it is proposed to a corner the parklet must be protected by a bollard, sidewalk bulb-out, or other similar feature.

2. A parklet shall be built in an area with a speed limit of at least 25 mph but no more than 30 mph.

3. A parklet shall be designed as an extension of the sidewalk, with multiple entry points along the curbside edge.

4. A parklet shall be easily assembled and disassembled.

5. A parklet shall be flush with the sidewalk.

6. A parklet shall be ADA compliant, subject to the City of Oxnard building department. There must be two “Public Parklet” signs which state that all seating must be publicly accessible at all times.

7. A parklet shall not block access to utilities or to anything that might need to be accessible including sidewalks.

8. A parklet shall provide access underneath the flooring for cleaning.

9. Alcohol, illegal objects/items, cigarettes, and other things that may cause harm and/or discomfort to the environment and/or people are prohibited.

10. Advertising is prohibited in the parklet.
11.) An enticing barrier shall separate the parklet to the road. It shall not cause potential
danger to the people nor should it be an obstruction to the sight lines outside the
parklet.
12.) Landscape and Amenities shall be included in the parklet. Drought tolerant plants,
Vertical elements used for shading, and Bicycle parking are recommended.
13.) Lighting is encouraged for parklets especially for night time use, subject to an
electrical permit.
14.) Loose particles, such as sand or loose stone, are not permitted in the parklet.
15.) Parklet hosts are responsible for all construction, maintenance, permitting, and
parking related costs; and the city shall not be required to make adjustments and/or
repairs for it.
15.) The parklet must maintain a visual connection to the street and not obstruct sight
lines to existing businesses or roadway signage, and it must be visible from different
perspectives by people outside the parklet.
17.) Materials used for parklets shall be high quality, durable, and aesthetically appealing.
Locally sourced and recycled/reclaimed materials are encouraged for cost reduction.
Plastic, tropical hardwood or virgin redwood, and FSC certified wood products shall not
be used as materials.
The cost ranges between $5,000 and $20,000, depending on size, design, and materials.

**BENEFITS OF A PARKLET**

- Promote economic vitality
- A method for invigorating the public realm
- Provide unique marketing potential for businesses
- Encourages pedestrian activity
- Foster neighborhood interaction
- Encourages non-motorized transportation