



2021 Bump-Outs for Business

A collaborative program for economic recovery organized by the City of Durango and the Durango Business Improvement District.

Objective

Activate public spaces to promote economic vitality among local businesses. Provide safe, comfortable, and productive use of the public right-of-way.

Design Guidelines & Standards

Purpose

The City of Durango enforces design and safety standards for the bump-out program. These standards are intended to enhance the bump-out experience

Railings

- 1.0 Bump-out structures are required to be enclosed with railing or barriers around all sides if the bump-out has a liquor license. If the bump-out does not have a liquor license the side adjacent to the sidewalk does not require a railing. Railings should be a minimum of 3 feet and be capable of withstanding at least 200 feet of horizontal force.
- 1.1 Concrete planters will be placed upstream of oncoming street traffic. Planters will be owned by the City of Durango but will be maintained by the adjacent business owner.
- 1.2 The outer edge of the bump-out railing must be at least one (1) foot from the nearest fog line (the white line).
- 1.3 If the building address is not visible on the building from the street the address should be installed on the railing.

Materials

- 2.0 Structures should be constructed using traditional materials that can withstand wear and tear of elements. Steel, finished woods, salvaged building materials, and durable materials are recommended. Pouring concrete is not allowed. Concrete pavers are an allowed material.
- 2.1 Slatted lumber, wood tiles, and precast concrete pavers are recommended for decking material to allow rainwater to drain off the bump-out surface.
- 2.3 Surface materials shall be textured or treated with a slip resistant coating to provide a safe walking surface.
- 2.4 The primary colors shall be muted earthtones. Bright, high intensity colors



Bump-outs using traditional building materials

Location

- 3.0 Bump-outs are not allowed within 30 ft of stop signs. Businesses located near an intersection may want to consider a bistro permit.
- 3.1 Bump-outs that encroach into the adjacent property line will need approval from the neighboring property owner.
- 3.2 Structures cannot block access to manholes, grates, or any public utility. Structures must also not block visibility of any traffic control device.
- 3.3 Structures cannot be within 15' of hydrants and must provide 36" of clear access to Fire Department Connections.

Construction

- 4.0 Bump-out decking should be flush with the curb to allow the bump-out to be accessible as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Seating must be accessible and meet ADA requirements for the turning movement (60" diameter turning circle) and the resting space of a wheel chair.
- 4.1 Bump-outs must allow for curbside drainage flow. A 1/4 to 1/2 inch horizontal gap must be provided between the curb and the base of the frame and a 1/2 to 2 inch vertical gap must be provided between the street surface and the bottom of the bump-out decking. If the platform is raised, an accessible ramp with raised side edges shall be provided.
- 4.2 Structures and fixtures must never be bolted or affixed in any way to the ROW pavement.
- 4.3 All cables, cords, or wires used for temporary lighting shall be run at ground level completely covered with approved ADA accessible cable ramps. Taping down or stringing overhead wires are not permitted. All temporary lighting shall meet the Land Use and Development Code Section 4-3-2.
- 4.4 Bump-outs should be constructed off-site to the greatest extent possible. If the installation of the bump-out requires access or equipment in the street please include this in your application as this may require additional permits.
- 4.5 Tents shall be fire retardant. Tents and canopies that are 1,000 square feet will require a [Tent Permit](#).

Signs

- 5.0 Bump-out signs shall not be larger than nine (9) square feet.
- 5.3 Background colors shall be muted tones. Bright colors are allowed only for lettering, trim, accents and logos.
- 5.4 Installation and maintenance shall meet the requirements of the Land Use and Development Code Section 3-6-6.

Application Process

- 1 Submit completed application and supplemental materials. Review the guidelines for use and sign the agreement form.
- 2 Read through the License Agreement, fill in information where needed, and sign the form.
- 3 If the bump-out proposal includes service of alcohol, fill out the Outdoor Liquor Service application and sign. [Outdoor Liquor Service Application.](#)
- 4 If the bump-out proposal includes an overhead structure a building permit may be required. <https://co-durango.civicplus.com/214/Building>
- 5 Scan completed application package with all the items listed above and email to Alex Rugoff, Business Development Coordinator, City of Durango, alex.rugoff@durangogov.org.
- 6 License issued! City staff will email you a signed copy of the License Agreement then you can set up and start operating!