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To: Larkspur City Council Members

As a longtime customer of Emporio Rulli ("Rulli's"), I am writing to protest the Larkspur Resolution 62/22 which became effective 11/6/2023. This recent development mandating all businesses on Magnolia Avenue to pay an encroachment fee per square foot of the public right of way in order to continue dining on a small portion of the sidewalk has left me and countless other Rulli's customers deeply concerned and shocked.

This new ordinance would require Rulli's to pay the city a fee of \$1800/month in order to offer outdoor dining.

I believe this decision is detrimental to all local businesses in Larkspur and particularly to the vibrant and wonderful Rulli's that has become a hallmark of historic downtown Larkspur. They have offered this service for over 35 years and I have gone there every year since they opened. Every year going there is part of my Holiday traditions and it is not acceptable what the Town Council has decided to do to them. Going to Rulli's is always a treat and makes me feel like I am in a beautiful Bakery in Italy.

Just surviving Covid was a big deal for all local businesses and passing this proposition is ill conceived and devastating to the businesses especially Rulli's.

Please reconsider this resolution and vote again to remove these fees. It has a detrimental effect on all Magnolia Avenue businesses in Larkspur.

Most sincerely
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Going to Rullis is always a treat and a joy.

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