Patio/ Parklet Materials Reference

SUGGESTED PALETTE OF MATERIALS:

» Wood, treated or untreated
» Planters - wood or other (0.75m - 1m tall)
» Metal elements for railings
» Plywood, if painted
» Wire rope
» Black picket fence
» Curb ramp (transitions)
» Off-the-shelf patios/parklets (ex. DERO)

Refer to Guidelines for Business in Public Spaces for specific elements and requirements at http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/business/covid-19-business-resources.html
Preferred Component Details

PLANTERS

Planters act as anchors. Preferred size is 0.75m - 1m tall by minimum 0.5m wide to accommodate planting. This can be achieved through a custom build or by safely stacking few off the shelf planters.

FENCE PANELS

Fencing acts as a buffer. The parklet / patio should have a notable, defined edge along the sides that face the roadway and adjacent parking stalls to protect users from moving vehicles.

PLANTING AND SOIL

Plants soften and beautify. Weather using custom-built or off-the-shelf planters, there should be enough of soil volume to allow healthy plant growth.

If applicants chooses not to use plantings they have to ensure that planter tops are capped with wood planks.

RAMPS AND PLATFORMS

Ramps provide access. It is critical to include curb transition ramps or platforms that allows for easy flow between the parklet / patio and adjacent sidewalk. There are number of off-the-shelf ramps available. When building a ramp, one must ensure that road drainage can still function properly underneath.

SAND BAGS/WEIGHTS

Sand bags provide stability. Parklets, although temporary will be placed on active roadways so it is important that they are robust and protect users from moving vehicles. We recommend using sand bangs or other weighted material to weight the planters and ensure stability.

NOTE:
None of the parklet / patio elements should be anchored to the road. They have to be sturdy enough to be free-standing.