From:
 Admin Red Sauce PIzza

 To:
 Council Clerk – Testimony

 Subject:
 Item Number 1002

**Date:** Tuesday, December 6, 2022 8:43:39 PM

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Patri Thompson (she/her)

Operations Red Sauce Pizza 503-288-4899 
 From:
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 To:
 Clerk General

 Cc:
 demshe@msn.com

Subject: Testimony for Portland Delivery Cap Fee
Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022 12:50:58 PM

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City Council has made some very bad decisions that have negatively impacted all businesses in Portland including restaurants. However, the decision to cap the third-party delivery fee saved many restaurants from going out of business during the pandemic and for that we are grateful. Before you put your fingers on the scale, consider the following;

- 1. We are still feeling the pain of the pandemic with the flu and COVID on the rise, and we are still having major supply chain issues as well as labor shortages making it very difficult to survive as a restaurant.
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additional payment) and the restaurant doesn't make enough profit on the third-party orders to provide additional compensation at a 15% delivery commission.

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### https://pdx.eater.com/22240842/portland-restaurant-bar-cafe-closings

This list of Portland area restaurants that have closed should be something that every commissioner reviews before making a decision to lift the 10% cap. Portland had a robust foodie culture that brought foodies from around the country and in our experience around the world to Portland to spend money. You may want to also take into consideration how the loss of our foodie culture will impact tourism. Now is not the time to increase third-party delivery fees, now is the time to lift our restaurant community up and to help them survive and thrive as the economy goes through fits and starts establishing a new normal.

Thank you again, Mari Shelby

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# City Council Meeting - Wednesday December 7, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Agenda No.	First Name	Last Name	
1002-01	Daniel	Gold	
1002-02	Greg	Astley	
1002-03	Jon	Isaacs	
1002-04	Leah	Tucker	
1002-05	Anna	Powell	
1002-06	Tim	Taylor	

# City Council Meeting - Wednesday December 14, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Agenda No.	First Name	Last Name
1059-01	Tim	Taylor