

## Parklet defined

A parklet is a sidewalk extension that provides more space and amenities for business owners and citizens in one or more street parking spots.

Parklets provide an economical solution to the desire for wider sidewalks for seating, bike parking, or other amenities where narrow sidewalks restrict such uses.

A streets department, in coordination with other departments, establishes guidelines for the approval and installation of parklets either for exclusive use by a business or for the general public. This could be a seasonal or year-round installation.

Under such a program a business may request a permit for designing, maintaining, and installing a parklet either reserved for their patrons or for public use in front of their establishment.

There needs to be a direct way to identify if the space is public or not.

1. **Either** allow a business to use a parklet as sidewalk seating for their business and to appropriately identify it as such,
2. **Or** make the parklet publicly available and post the following sign:



Sample text provide by San Francisco Planning Department.

This parklet includes public bike parking in one car parking spot, and public seating in another car parking spot.



Parklet example from San Francisco.

## Possible Roll-Off Parklet

### Possible Roll-Off Parklet

Need an area to eat ice cream that can be cleaned with a garden hose?

Park this in front of Bakery Park:

#### **PUBLIC PARKLET**

**ALL SEATING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

City of Merrill Parks Department



A parklet in downtown San Francisco, CA



**Add:** Anti-Skateboard Guards

#### Roll-off Parklet Specifications:

- 10 yard, roll-off dumpster, (6-ft wide by 16-ft long) customized to add seating on one side and a sign.
- Ostrich Ferns (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*).
- Groundcover that is low maintenance.
- Red and white reflective strips, as seen on truck trailers, on top two corners of both ends that face traffic.