

Keri O'Brien

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To: Commissioners
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From: Joe Faber <thefabe35@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Cheri Smith <csmith@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>
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Dear City Commission,

My business has been shut down for over twenty weeks. I have several employees on the verge of bankruptcy and several others that have given up on making a living in Key West and left town. This new ordinance you are interested in does nothing but pile on our existing mandates and puts an already scarce living for me and my staff even more in doubt. Further, this ordinance as with most is simply subjective. We are in the service industry not the policing industry. My staff cant be enforcers of City ordinances while also being stewards of my business. How do I tell my staff that we must close down because someone from Code walked into our business at the precise time several groups of people decided to converse. This is simply unmanageable and again purely subjective. Let us do our best in policing an already cumbersome set of ordinances while desperately trying to make a living. Common sense must have a place in our City and businesses moving forward.

Regards, Joe Faber
Owner, Capt Tony's Saloon