

And there's economic mortality too

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There were voices at Council last night that reminded us of the loss of businesses too.

A different kind of death.

Goddam pandemic.

The governor has tightened the restrictions.

Listen to the owner of the Borderline who called in to Council last night (2 mins.).

He got a call from the Health Bureau to stop indoor dining — or else.

“Isn’t there something the Mayor can do about this??

- What do you want us to do? Curbside is not going to pay my bills.
- How do I give my waitresses a nice Christmas?
- I have 27 employees, and I have to lay off 22.
- My restaurant is COVID free, I have 6 air purifiers in my restaurant . . . My air is 99.1% germ free.
- And now they’re going to take my health license because I’m open for indoor dining?
- Isn’t there something the Mayor can do about this?

- The Mayor can overrule this.
- Or the Mayor could not worry about this . . .
- What can I do?
- This is threatening to close my business.

Tough spot for the Borderline guy.

Tough spot for the Mayor.

I often ask you to role play.

What would you do if you were Mayor?

Tough call.

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