L.A. Parker: Parklets springing up in Trenton again

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Outdoor dining has again gained interest on Trenton streets as Isles,Inc. reintroduced parklets.

A parklet is a sidewalk extension that provides more space and opportunities for people using the street.

Parklets may use several parking spaces as is the case at 128 West State Street Café and at Dapper's Jamaican Restaurant at 254 North Clinton Ave.

"I love the seating. Happy to have the parklet back," Dapper Brown, owner of Dapper's Jamaican Restaurant, said.

Parklets typically extend out from the sidewalk at the level of the sidewalk to the width of the adjacent parking space.

Jonathan Gordon, coordinator for Isles' Clean & Green program, constructed both parklets.

Isles owns a near 40-year history as a Trenton-based nonprofit that fosters self-reliant families and healthy, sustainable communities.

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