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PLANNING

# MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

CITIZEN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

April 3, 2014

- Welcome & Introductions
- Purpose
- Recap of March 11, 2014 meeting
- Comparison
- Recommendations
- Questions and Feedback
- Next Steps

What should be the max duration for a permit?

Group 1	Group 2
Once a year	Once a year
6 months	6 months
30 day trial at no cost	Why cap permit

What should be the maximum number of locations per permit?

Group 1	Group 2
3, 5, 7, 10, 15, no limit	

What should be the hours of operation?

Group 1	Group 2
6am – 3am	6am – 3am
6am – 3am	7am – 3am
6 – 3:30 am	24 hours
In (within 200') residential areas not past 10'	Use GPS

Should there be a maximum time per location?

Group 1	Group 2
No	No maximum time per location
8 – 12 hours per day	
21 hours per day	

Where should a mobile vendor be allowed to locate?

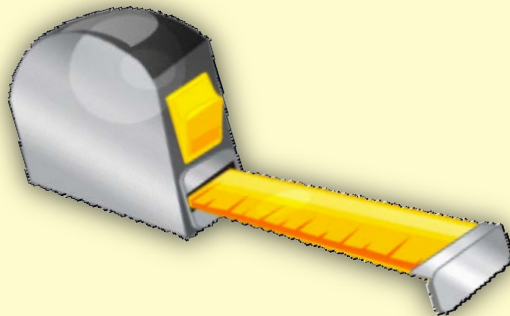
Group 1	Group 2
200' from single family residential	Everywhere
200' from restaurant	Private parties/special occasions in residential
100' from restaurant w/similar product	Churches
Restaurant/mobile same owner same location	Parks
Office/business parks (even with private street)	Office Parks
Clubhouse	
County Park	

When should there be a separation requirement?

Group 1	Group 2
Residential separation 100' – 200'	

What should be the separation distance?

Group 1	Group 2
No separation from other food truck	No separation- bumper to bumper
Emergency vehicle should be able to get through and turn around	Public street up to CDOT
	20' from intersection



# COMPARISON

CURRENT	PROPOSED	RATIONALE
Maximum duration - 30 days renewable twice. Maximum time period 90 days per year	A maximum of three (3) locations are allowed per permit. A permit shall be valid for one (1) calendar year, and may be renewed on an annual basis	To allow more flexibility in the number of permits required and the locations.
N/A	Only one mobile food vending service unit may locate on a property at any one time, unless property owner permission and a permit is granted to each operator	By reducing the separation requirement from other mobile food vendors, criteria included to manage clustering of mobile food vendors except in specified locations

# COMPARISON

CURRENT	PROPOSED	RATIONALE
A minimum 400' separation from other mobile food vendor and a minimum 400' separation to a residential use	There shall be a minimum 20' separation from any other mobile food vendor service when located on the same site, and a minimum <u>150'</u> separation to a single family residential use in a single family residential district.	Reduce the separation requirement for mobile food vendors from each other and residential uses
N/A	A mobile food vending service shall not be located within 100' of the entrance to any eating, drinking or entertainment establishment, or restaurant, nightclub, or bar.	Create a separation requirement from eating establishments



# COMPARISON

CURRENT	PROPOSED	RATIONALE
Hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. when the location of the mobile food vending service unit is located less than 200 feet to a residential use, measured as the shortest distance between the nearest point of the mobile food vending service unit to the closest residential property line. The hours of operation in all other instances shall be between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to midnight.	Extend the hours of operation for mobile food vendors







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# RECOMMENDATIONS

# PROPOSED CHANGES

## SEPARATION

- ✓ Reduce 400 foot separation
  - Keep current separation requirements
- ✓ Separation should not be applicable to mixed use
- ✓ Allow clustering for events
- ✓ Reduce separation on major streets
- ✓ Designate special locations/areas with no separation

Reduced separation to 150 from a single family residential use in a residential district and 20' from another mobile food vendor on same site.

# PROPOSED CHANGES

## LOCATIONS

- ✓ Do not allow vendors to locate in front of restaurants
- Allow vendors to locate on public property
- ✓ Allow vendors in business and office parks

Mobile food trucks will be required to locate 100 feet from entrance of a restaurant.

Mobile food trucks will be allowed in office and business parks.

# PROPOSED CHANGES

## PERMITS

✓ Extend length of permit

✓ Allow flexibility to move around

■ Revisit cost of permit

Permit is valid for one calendar year.

Up to three (3) locations are allowed for one permit.

# PROPOSED CHANGES

## HOURS

- ✓ Extends hours beginning at 6 am - ?
- ✓ If not near residential should be opened later
- Should be able to operate 24 hours

New recommended hours of operation are from 6am until midnight if mobile food truck is not located near a single family residential use in a residential district. The hours of operation for use with 400 feet of single family residential use is from 7am until 10pm.

# Highlights of Proposed Changes

Create flexibility in permitting by allowing a maximum of three (3) locations per permit.

Extend the time period for a permit from 30 days up to 3 times a year to one permit valid for **one (1) calendar year** for every 3 locations.

One mobile food truck may locate on a property at a time with the exception of special events or locations under prescribed conditions.

Extend the hours of operation from 8 am – 9 pm to **6am - midnight** except when located 200' of a residential use, in which case the hours of operation are limited from 7 am – 10 pm





# Highlights of Proposed Changes

Create separation distance of **100 feet** from the entrance to any eating, drinking or entertainment establishment, or restaurant, nightclub, or bar.

Reduce the separation requirement between mobile food vendor to **20'** when located on the same parcel. No separation when located on different parcels.

Reduce the separation requirement of mobile food vendors from 400 feet to **150** feet from a residential use in a residential district.

Note that the mobile food vendor must return to the **commissary** as required by state law.





Planning Department – Draft a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to modify requirements for mobile food vendors.

## Citizen Advisory Group Meetings

- April 3, 2014 Draft Recommendation
- April 22, 2014 Review of Recommendations

## City Council Hearing and Decision

- TBD City Council Public Hearing
- TBD City Council Decision