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Mayor and Members of the City Council
STAFF REPORT
For the Meeting of August 26, 2024

Title/Subject

Ordinance No. 2363 - Mobile Food Vending Amendments

Summary and Background

The city council reviewed proposed amendments to Chapter 116 of the Hermiston Code of Ordinances at the August 12 meeting. Amendments to Chapter 116 regulating mobile food vendors were drafted at the direction of the council following public requests for loosening of the regulations. The amendments were prepared by staff and reflect the results of the public survey the city conducted requesting more opportunities for food vending in town.

The council directed staff to move forward with the draft amendments in ordinance form on August 12. Subsequent to that direction, staff also received a recommendation from Umatilla County Health making a slight modification to the language for Type 1 and Type 2 licenses clarifying that units must be self-contained and removing the reference to tents as those will not be permitted by Umatilla County Health unless used in conjunction with a specific event.

The ordinance is otherwise unchanged.

Tie-In to Council Goals

Amendment to the code is being undertaken at the direction of city council. However, no specific goals are impacted by this ordinance.

Fiscal Information

Mobile food unit licensing fees will be increasing as part of the schedule of fees update. Fees were last adopted in 2018.

Suggested new fees are \$200 for the Type 1, 30-day license, \$700 for the Type 2, one-year license, \$50 for the Type 3, event license, and \$300 for the Type 4, lunch truck license.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

The council may choose to adopt or reject Ordinance No. 2363.

Recommended Action/Motion

Staff recommends the council adopt Ordinance No. 2363.

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