

Consider Ordinance Amendment  
Removal of Specific Use Permit  
Requirement  
Mobile Food Units

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# Purpose

- To amend Chapter 15 Zoning, Division 7, Permitted Use Table, Section 15.02.381, Permitted Use Table
- To remove the SUP requirement from the use “Mobile Food Unit”
- This change was requested by the City Council

# Mobile Food Units

- Over the past several years, Staff received numerous inquiries regarding the operation of food trucks in the City
- April 2021- use “Mobile Food Unit” was added to the City’s Zoning Code, with the requirement for an SUP in all business zoning districts
- Use is only allowed in non-residential zoning districts

# Purpose

- SUP requirement is designed to regulate uses that may:
  - Adversely affect traffic, public health, public utilities, public safety, and the general welfare of the city
  - The SUP assures that the use will not adversely affect the character and appropriate use of the area or substantially depreciate the value of adjacent and nearby properties

# Recommendation

- At the Planning and Zoning Commission's 9-27-22, meeting, the amendment was recommended for approval.

# FISCAL IMPACT

- The removal of the Specific Use Permit requirement may encourage food trucks to operate more frequently in the city, which may increase sales tax revenue

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- *Social* – food trucks are enjoyed by all citizens, as they prepare and serve many different types of cuisine
- *Economic* – allowing food trucks to operate without the lengthy process for obtaining an SUP may encourage food truck owners to sell food in the city limits, which may increase sales tax revenues
- *Environmental* – food trucks occupy less real estate and disturb less soil than a conventional brick and mortar building, thereby reducing the impact to our environment