COUNCIL COMMUNICATION				
CITY OF <b>DES MOINES</b> OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	21-396	Meeting:	September 13, 2021
	Agenda Item:	48	Roll Call:	21-1443
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director		

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Amendment to Chapter 78 regarding mobile food vendors on streets during special events.

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Event planners for businesses on streets that do not allow mobile food vendors are requesting to be allowed food to be served at events. The existing ordinance restricts mobile food vendors to specific streets with a meter hood. This amendment would allow food vendors and city streets with a special event permit.

## FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- New requirements:
  - A Private Event Mobile Vending Permit allows vending on a public street in commercial or mixed-use locations, outside the mobile vendor zones.
  - The Neighborhood Services Director or designee is authorized to issue the Permit upon submitted written application and payment of appliable fees, in accordance with a policy establishing conditions, requirements and limitations for permits contained in Chapter 134.
  - The permit will specify the location, conditions, date(s), and hours of operation for the mobile vender.
  - o If the mobile food vendor is parked at a meter the meter fee must be paid.
  - o They can be located at a meter no longer than five (5) hours.
- Existing requirements that will remain all existing requirements in Chapter 78 will remain in place, specifically:
  - o Mobile food vendor zones that require a meter hood.
  - o All vendors would still need to have a transient merchant license.
  - o They would need to be 100 feet from the entrance of brick-and-mortar restaurant.
  - o All appeals and denials of permits will remain.

# PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: July 25, 2016

Roll Call Number: 16-1228

Action: Amending Chapter 78 of the Municipal Code regarding transient merchants and mobile vendors, (as amended). Spanish Version (Council Communication No. 16-400) Moved by Coleman to make two amendments to the ordinance as written, and approve final passage of the amended ordinance as follows: 1. That the Safe Serve Certification will be required for applicants who apply or renew after January 1, 2018. 2. That a paved surface will be required for Premise Permits for all new applicants. Those vendors currently licensed on the effective date of the ordinance will be exempt from this requirement on the premises they currently occupy. The City Manager will send a letter to the State on behalf of the City Council expressing concern about the difficulty of the training and testing for the Safe Serve Certification for non-English registrants, #15,489. Motion Carried 7-0.

## **BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

### ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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