

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Commission

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DATE: September 26, 2018

SUBJECT: Amendments to City Code Related to Temporary Uses, Outdoor Sales,  
Mobile Food Vending Services

The City receives numerous inquiries for food trucks on private property with no specific provision to enable such use the Planning Manager has directed this proposed ordinance for consideration. The Planning Commission discussed conceptual ideas for such amendments at their working session on May 8, 2016 and referred the matter to the Ordinance Revisions Committee for further discussion and refinement. On September 25, 2018, the Ordinance Revisions Committee recommended amendments that staff has incorporated into the draft below.

### **Current regulations**

The zoning ordinance does not specifically allow or regulate mobile food vendors (food trucks).

### **Proposed UDC Amendments:**

#### **Definition:**

#### **Mobile Food Vending Service**

Any vehicle or trailer, designed to be portable and not permanently attached to the ground, from which food is prepared and/or sold.

#### **Specific Regulations:**

Mobile Food Vending Services shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) The Mobile Food Vending Service and associated fixtures shall not be located less than 10 feet to any public right of way or within any required sight distance triangle. A Mobile Food Vending Service is permitted in any Mixed Use Zoning District or any Nonresidential and Special Purpose Zoning District.

On a property adjacent to any Residential Zoning District, the Mobile Food Vending Service shall not be located within the required setback established by the zoning district immediately adjacent to the residentially zoned district.

- (2) Any operator of a Mobile Food Vending Service must receive a Zoning Compliance Permit annually and display at service. All applications for Zoning Compliance Permit must include documentation of property owner permission for any proposed location, which may be amended over course of permit term, and Washtenaw County Health Department approval.
- (3) Trash and recycling receptacles must be provided for customers to dispose of waste. Such receptacle shall be located no more than ten (10) feet from the mobile food vendor.
- (4) The Mobile Food Vending Service is responsible for removing all associated trash, litter, and refuse from the site at the end of each business day. This includes food wrappers, food utensils, paper products, cans, bottles, food, and other such waste discarded improperly by customers.
- (5) Up to one Mobile Food Vending Service may occupy a property with an improved parking area of 20 or fewer parking spaces. Mobile Food Vending Service may occupy other properties at a rate not to exceed one Mobile Food Vending Service per 20 parking spaces, or fraction thereof, at a single time.
- (6) A Mobile Food Vending Service shall not present any parking, traffic, vehicular accessibility or pedestrian or other non-motorized conflicts or impediments on the property. A Mobile Food Vending Service shall not block or obstruct any fire lanes. A Mobile Food Vending Service shall not violate any provisions of the local or State Building Codes.