

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 3, 2019

Re: Amending Chapters 14 and 24 relating to Mobile Food Vendors

Executive Summary

Staff is proposing to amend Chapter 14 and Chapter 24 of the City Code relating to designated metered mobile food vending zones and prohibited operations within the Community Improvement District (CID).

Discussion

Section 14-315 of the City Code currently allows the following locations as designated mobile food vending zones within the CID:

- Cherry Street, south side, eight (8) spaces between Sixth Street and Seventh Street
- Locust Street, south side, eight (8) spaces between Ninth Street and Tenth Street
- Walnut Street, north side, ten (10) spaces between Ninth Street and Tenth Street

The CID and Columbia's food truck owners contacted staff with a request to expand the three areas listed above. A letter dated May 20, 2019 (attached) from the CID Executive Director to Mayor Treece and Council members requested staff consider a new location on the north side of Walnut Street, between Seventh and Eighth Streets, in front of the courthouse. The Public Works traffic engineer assessed this location and approved the requested spaces on this section of Walnut Street, except for the three spaces identified on the attached diagram. At the May 1, 2019 Parking Advisory Commission (PAC) meeting, members unanimously voted to recommend the expansion of the mobile food zone ordinance (Section 14-315) to include the Walnut Street location.

Additionally, the CID requested staff consider modifying Section 24-152(d)(1) of the City Code which currently prohibits mobile food vendors from operating within 300 feet from the front door of a restaurant without written consent. The recommendation is to change the distance from 300 feet to 100 feet.

Staff has incorporated these modifications in the proposed ordinance amendment for Council consideration and approval.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Staff anticipates no fiscal impact from loss of parking meter revenue due to mobile food vendors are required to lease meter bags from the Public Works department in order to occupy parking spaces within designated mobile food vending zones.



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Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History	
Date	Action
	None

Suggested Council Action

If Council concurs with the proposed changes to Chapters 14 and 24 relating to designated mobile food vending zones and prohibited operations within the CID, pass the ordinance.