

## FOOD TRUCK CONCERNS AND ISSUES

| ISSUE                         | RECOMMENDATION   |
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| Should Food Trucks Be Allowed | Staff and Advisory Work Group agree that food trucks should be allowed in the City.  |
| Permitted Locations in City   | Citywide with some restrictions and vending zones in high traffic and pedestrian areas. Would not be allowed to vend on streets in signed residential permit parking districts unless catering a private event which would require a permit to park on the street if there is no off street parking available. (Staff and Work Group agree)  |
| Hours of Operation            | 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Trucks would be limited to no more than four hours of continuous vending on the same City block or the existing posted parking regulations if more restrictive, unless permitted in conjunction with a special event or private event on private property. The Work Group reached consensus on broad hours of operations (7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.) but did not address other restrictions proposed by staff. These restrictions were in the original staff proposal that was shared with the Group members. (Staff and Work Group agree) |
| Vending Zones                 | Staff and the Work Group agree on establishment of vending zones in the following traffic corridors (differences in  |

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|  | <p>designated parking locations are noted): King Street from the Metro Station to the Potomac River and two blocks north and south of King Street; Mt Vernon Avenue from Glendale Avenue to Fulton Street and Bruce Street to West/East Glebe Road to South Glebe Road; and the Eisenhower/Carlyle area. Three parking spaces would be clustered and designated by on street signage as follows.</p> <p>In the <b>King Street</b> vending zone, trucks will be clustered on the east side of the 100 block of N. Royal Street abutting City Hall (all agree); on the 1700 block of King Street in front of King Street Gardens (all agree); and in front of the Alexandria Courthouse (staff recommendation only).</p> <p>In the <b>Mt. Vernon Avenue</b> vending zone, trucks will be clustered in front of the DCHS Building at 2525 Mt. Vernon Avenue (staff recommendation only) and at the Arlandria City parking lot and the Four Mile Run Park parking lot (all agree).</p> <p>In the <b>Eisenhower/Carlyle</b> area, the vending zone would be on the north side of the 2300 block of Eisenhower Avenue. (Staff and Work Group agree)</p> <p>The Work Group proposed <b>Washington Street</b> vending zone. TES staff recommend</p> |
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|  | as a possible cluster location the 600 block of N. Washington Street near Talbot's. The Work Group did not designate parking locations.  |
| Parking Restrictions   | <p>Can park in any legal parking spaces, except in vending zones. Each vending zone will have three designated spaces with signage that states spaces are reserved for food trucks only between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. In vending zones, food trucks will be allowed to park in the designated spaces a maximum of three hours from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. If no food trucks are parked in the designated spaces at 12:00 noon, the parking spaces will be available to the general public. Must pay applicable parking fee and display receipt.</p> <p>Food trucks must follow signed parking restrictions otherwise and fit into a legal parking space. (Staff and Work Group agree)</p> |
| Allow in Public Parks, at Recreation Centers, School property, and Farmers Markets | Proposed ordinance give authority to City Manager or his designee to allow in parks. Work Group recommends that they be allowed in parks at RPCA Director's discretion. Staff and Work Group agree that trucks should be allowed at Farmers Markets at the Market Master's discretion and on Schools property at the discretion of the Superintendent.   |

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| Allow at Special Events                                      | Allow at all permitted special events. (Staff and Work Group agree)  |
| Litter Control – Disposal of truck waste and customer trash  | Truck waste is handled through the permitting process via Health regulations. Require recycling bins. (Staff and Work Group Agree)   |
| Proximity to Outdoor Dining                                  | Trucks would not be allowed within 20 feet of outdoor dining measured along the curbline. (Staff and Work Group agree)   |
| Proximity to Restaurants                                     | This was raised as a concern by the Work Group but there was no consensus. City Attorney has advised that food trucks cannot be restricted from parking in front of restaurants on the basis of business competition. There must be a governmental interest. |
| Vending on Private Property – Residential, churches, schools | Staff and Work Group agree that vending should be allowed at churches, private schools, commercial parking lots, and residential areas in private driveways.   |
| Permit Fees (Annual unless noted otherwise)                  | Application fee of \$100.00. Application renewal fee of \$100.00. Right-of-way fee of \$450.00. Food Vending License fee of \$40.00. Health Permit of \$50.00 plus \$40.00 fee to State. Semi-annual propane tank inspection fee of \$143.00.                |

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| Permitting Office | All applications through the Multi-Agency Permit Center in Code Administration.   |
| Permits Required  | Permits would be issued on an annual (CY) basis. Permits required are: food truck vender license; Health permit; Business License; Special Events Permit, if applicable; Fire Marshal permit for propane tank, if applicable; and permission slip from private property owner, if applicable. |
| Enforcement       | Planning and Zoning will issue permit and follow-up on routine complaints. Health Department on food and food-truck operational related matters, Fire Marshal on propane tanks, and Police Department on parking violations.  |