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TO: EDAB
FROM: Community Development Department
SUBJECT: Mobile Vendors

The current code restricts mobile vendors to the following timeframes:

- The temporary use permit shall be effective for no more than 180 calendar days from the date of the first event or occurrence;
- The temporary use shall not exceed a total of 60 days of operation within the 180-day period in which the permit is valid. A day of operation shall mean any or part of any day in which the temporary use is conducted. The days need not run consecutively and may occur at any time during the period for which the permit was approved, provided each day is designated and approved as part of the application;
- A temporary use permit shall not be granted for the same temporary use on a property more than once per calendar year.

Essentially, this prohibits a mobile vendor from occupying the same property more than once a year. The mobile vendor has to find a new location after 60 days of operation. This creates a hardship for the business owner and also creates more workload for staff with the potential of having to review six (6) separate temporary use permits for the same business. Also, code enforcement becomes problematic as it proves difficult to keep track of the 60 days of operation within a 180-day period for every mobile vendor in the city.

The code amendment proposes to only restrict the duration of daily operations at a site but not restrict the amount of days a mobile vendor can occupy a site.

The following revision regarding timeframes is being proposed:

- The duration of time for mobile vendors is not limited per site as long as all items used for the operation, including food trucks and temporary structures, are removed from the site daily after the close of operations.