

City Council Meeting - October 21, 2025

Background

- July 15, 2025 City Council directed staff to agendize an update to the City's Mobile Food Vendor regulations
- September 4, 2025 PPIC discussed and recommended potential mobile food vending regulations
- California Vehicle Code 22455 authorizes mobile vending on public streets and allows local regulation to facilitate public safety only
- California Constitution authorizes municipalities to regulate public heath and welfare



Current Regulations

- Municipal Code Chapter 3.68 regulates mobile <u>food</u> vendor operations only
- City Business License required, but is not a permit
- State Seller's License required to collect sales tax
- CA Code 114315(a) requires food vendors to be within 200 feet of a restroom facility if operating for more than one hour at a location
- LA County Mobile Food Facility Permit required for food trucks



Public Safety Concerns

- Public Health Unsanitary food preparation, vermin attraction
- Environmental Illegal dumping, oil and grease disposal, damage to infrastructure
- Safety Fire hazards, traffic congestion, unsafe parking, pedestrian access, ADA compliance, driver sight distance

Proposed Mobile Vending Business Permit

- Applies to all mobile vendors, not just food vendors
- One year term similar to sidewalk vending permit
- Better control and oversight of vendor compliance
- Requires proof of State and County permits/approvals
- Requires Liability and Auto Insurance
- Progressive citation fines and revocation after fourth violation, revocation may be appealed
- Business License also required



Operating Requirements

Prohibitions:

- Parking lots, bike lanes, parks, non-street areas
- Within 50/150 feet of controlled/uncontrolled intersections
- Streets with 5% or greater vertical slope
- Within 10 feet of special curb zones
- Within 500 feet of Farmer's Market or Special Permit Zone
- Within 50 feet of another mobile vendor
- Within 300 feet of a school between 7AM-5PM on school days
- On any street with a speed limit of 35 MPH or greater
- ° In more than one marked parking space or in diagonal spaces



Operating Requirements

- Operating hours 8 AM-10 PM except 9AM-6PM in residential areas
- No equipment, accessories, signs or products in public right-of-way
- Food and merchandise must be stored within vending vehicle
- Shall not obstruct free movement of pedestrians (5' minimum path)
- Shall not vend on street side of vehicle (no diagonal spaces)
- Food vendors shall provide trash and recycling receptacle
- Shall display valid County Health and City permits
- Shall not discharge any liquid onto public or private property
- Shall not display animated, flashing or scrolling signs



Public Notification, Outreach, and Comment

- The public has been informed of this agenda item as part of the City's standard meeting notice practices via public bulletin boards, website calendar, and social media.
- Chamber of Commerce
- North Manhattan Beach Business and Professionals Association (NMBBPA)
- Downtown Business and Professionals Association (DBPA)



Recommendation

- A) HEAR PUBLIC TESTIMONY
- B) DISCUSS ESTABLISHING A PERMIT PROCESS FOR MOBILE VENDING AND AMENDING REGULATIONS APPLICABLE THERETO
- C) INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 25-0011



Consideration and Introduction of an Ordinance to Amend Section 3.68 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Related to Mobile Vending Businesses

