

Streets and Sidewalks Committee
12.18.23

Committee members in attendance: Lindsay Jones and Stefanie Hawk

Other council members in attendance: B. Smyth

Other attendees: President Smyth, Jenny Eilermann (Council Clerk) and Members of the community - Troy Borgmann and Kevin Leidecker

The meeting began at 7:04pm.

This meeting was held to continue to discuss changes/additions to the Mobile Food Vendor ordinance(s).

Committee members Amy Richter and David Voss were excused due to illness and a prior commitment, respectively.

Committee members discussed possible issues related to improper parking and other undesirable actions. Those involved in the discussion expressed concern about the possibilities of food trucks parking in front of businesses that also sell food and the possibility that a food truck vendor could collaborate with a Cheviot business to make the food truck a permanent or semi-permanent fixture. Committee would like to add language prohibiting a food truck from operating between the hours of 3am to 5:30am. Committee would also like to add language that states that a food truck is prohibited from parking overnight in the business district.

Committee discussed the questions related to things that are required for food trucks such as: insurance, business licensing, operator's licensing, and fire inspection requirements. The committee would like to add to the permit language that the brick and mortar business that holds the annual permit assumes all liability related to the food trucks they invite to operate in the city.

Discussed the possibility of going back to the original language of the ordinance with the only amendment being that a brick and mortar business can obtain an annual food truck license in order to invite food trucks to serve their patrons. This idea was dismissed.

The committee would like to include language stating that food trucks invited by a brick and mortar business (business annual permit holders) must have the truck park in front of their business or that it must be within a set amount of feet from the business' door. The reasoning being that a food truck that is invited by a business annual permit holder should not block or impede upon a neighboring business/building.

Committee would like to add language stating that annual business permit holders must put out a trash can when a food truck is operating outside of their business.

Meeting concluded at 7:58pm.

Lindsay Jones

Amy Richter

Stefanie Hawk

David Voss