

Expansion of Mobile Food Vending Downtown



Primary Interest in Expanding Mobile Vending

Provide more opportunities for food
businesses downtown.



Create a vibrant downtown atmosphere
on the sidewalks.

Complex Legal Framework

MN Statutes

MN Rules

Minneapolis Codes

City Departments:

Environmental Health,
Licenses, Minneapolis
Development Review,
Police, Public Works,
and Zoning



Highlights of the Amendment



- Opportunity available to Minneapolis licensed restaurants.
- Consent required from adjacent property owners.
- Locations limited to the Downtown Improvement District (DID).
- Location will be reviewed by Public Works, Business Licenses, and DID.
- Hours of operation: 7 a.m.- 12 midnight;
7 a.m.-10 p.m. within 300 feet of residential use.
- Food preparation will be allowed within the vehicle.
- Amendments primarily affect MCO Ch.188.480 “Mobile Operations”.

Fee Proposal

The fee is based on

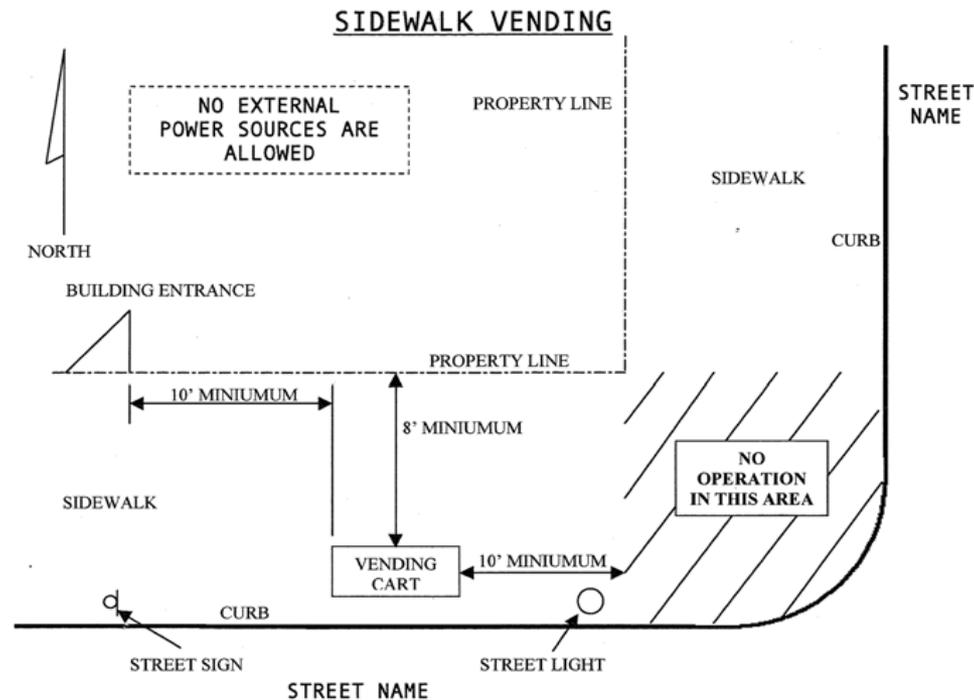
Inspections by Environmental Health (3 hours) <small>(Minimum inspection cost is calculated at \$69 an hour per MCO 91.105.)</small>	\$207
Site Plan Review by DID, Public Works, and License	\$207
Vehicle Safety Inspection by Licensing	<u>\$ 69</u>
Total	\$483

Start Up cost

New Business Surcharge <small>(Includes cost for MDR staff and paperwork processing.)</small>	\$122
Plan Review Fee	<u>\$269</u>
Total	\$391

Location Review

The amendment will require an application with vehicle and site details, comparable to the sidewalk café process.



The mobile vending vehicle diagram will require approvals from Health, Public Works, Licenses and the Downtown Improvement District.

Comparative Cities

Seattle, Washington



Portland, OR



Phoenix, AZ



Austin, TX

Staff researched 15 major cities. Most provided for mobile vending on side walks. They required the applicant to submit plans and they were reviewed by the city.



Industry and Community Response

- Supportive
- Presented at 2 industry meetings and one community meeting.



- Opportunity for businesses in challenging economic times.