

The City of Slidell

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APPLICATION FOR MOBILE FOOD SERVICE PERMIT

Contact Information Name of Vendor: Address: Phone No: Email: Primary Contact Person: Permit Request Information Duration of Permit (Check One): SINGLE EVENT (valid up to 72 HOURS) (\$75.00) Dates: ANNUAL (valid January 1-December 31) (\$500.00; \$350.00 if secured after July 1) Please submit evidence of: 1. Current DMV registration for unit 2. Current inspection certificate for unit Current Vendor occupational license 3. 4. Parish sales tax number and confirmation sales taxes are current for Vendor 5. Current LDH Food Safety Certificate 6. Current "Acceptable for Use" certification from STPFD #1 for unit (unrestricted units) 7. Current comprehensive general liability

insurance covering Vendor's operations

In submitting this application, Vendor certifies it shall abide by Chapter 8, Article III of the City of Slidell's Code of Ordinances, along with all other applicable law, with respect to its mobile food service operations within the City of Slidell.

If signing in a representative capacity, the individual executing this request hereby represents he/she is authorized to submit this application for the noted Vendor.

Vendor:		
	(Print Name)	
	By:	
	(Signature)	
	(Printed Name of Individual Signing)	_
	Title:	
Date:		

 Introduced September 28, 2021, by Councilwoman Denham, seconded by Councilman Dunham, (by request of Administration)

Item No. 21-08-3384

ORDINANCE NO. 4044

An ordinance to amend and restate certain provisions of the City of Slidell's mobile food services ordinance, found in Chapter 8, Article III of the City's Code of Ordinances, and to add a provision concerning mobile food service uses to/within the zoning appendix of the Code.

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell currently provides a permitting process for mobile food service, which is generally defined as an establishment primarily engaged in preparing and serving meals and snacks for immediate consumption from a motorized or non-motorized cart (or other vehicle); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to clarify, amend, and restate certain provisions of its mobile food services ordinance, and to reference same specifically within the zoning appendix of the Code.

WHEREAS, these amendments have been presented to the Slidell Zoning Commission for review (Case No. T21-04).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby amend the City's Code of Ordinances as follows:

I. The provisions of Article III of Chapter 8 of the Code are amended and restated in full to read as follows:

ARTICLE III. – MOBILE FOOD SERVICES.

Sec. 8-61. – Definitions.

See City of Slidell Code of Ordinances, Appendix A: Zoning; Part 9 definitions for standard zoning definitions.

Mobile food service: An establishment primarily engaged in preparing and serving meals and snacks for immediate consumption from a motorized or non-motorized cart or other vehicle (i.e. a unit), whether or not enclosed.

- (1) Restricted mobile food service. Vendor is restricted to sale of prepackaged food and drinks.
- (2) Unrestricted mobile food service. Vendor can offer food that is packaged and/or prepared in the mobile unit.

Sec. 8-62. – Licensing and Permitting.

- (a) Mobile food service motorized vehicles, and mobile food service trailers or other non-motorized vehicles towed by a motorized vehicle, must be registered with the department of motor vehicles for the state where they are domiciled, be street ready, and have a valid safety inspection.
- (b) Operators of mobile food service motorized vehicles, or of mobile food service trailers or other non-motorized vehicles towed by a motorized vehicle, must possess a valid driver's license.
- (c) Mobile food service operators must apply for and be issued a permit by the city's finance department to operate in those locations permitted in Section 8-64 herein, within city limits. Permits can be issued for a single event or for an entire year. Permit fees are:

Single Event: \$75.00 for up to a 72-hour period

Annual: \$500.00 (valid Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 each year; if secured after July 1, \$350.00)

Along with submission of the permit fee, permit applicants shall complete and submit the application and certification form required by the finance department. The submission of false information in connection with a permit application shall be considered a violation of this Article III and grounds for non-issuance, non-renewal, or revocation of a permit.

Sec. 8-63. – Sales tax and occupational license.

Mobile food service owners are required to remit sales tax for all sales made within the City of Slidell's jurisdiction. The applicant must present proof of a current sales tax account with the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff Department before a single event or annual permit will be issued. If the mobile food service owner fails to remit sales tax they will not be issued any new single event or annual permits until all past taxes have been paid. Owners must also maintain a valid occupational license.

Sec. 8-64. – Location.

- (a) Commercial and industrial districts. Subject to all other requirements of this Article III, and notwithstanding anything in the city's zoning ordinance to the contrary, a mobile food service qualified and permitted under this Article III may operate in city commercial and/or industrial zoning districts, subject to the following:
 - (1) Private property operation. A qualified and permitted mobile food service unit may operate on private property in commercial and/or industrial zoning districts, subject to the following:
 - a. Mobile food services can operate on private property with written permission of the property owner or an authorized lessee of the property;
 - Mobile food services operating in a private off-street parking lot may only occupy up to ten percent of the parking spaces in such a lot, including vehicle, temporary seating, and trash receptacles;

- No seating shall be permanently installed and all seating shall be removed when mobile food service is not open for business.
 No seating shall be located on any street;
- d. Electricity, water, and any sewer services must be selfcontained with the mobile unit. No temporary or permanent attachments to separate infrastructure for any utilities is allowed:
- e. Service from the mobile food service unit may only be between 7 a.m. and midnight. The mobile food service unit may stage at the premises no earlier than 1 hour before the start of its service, and must depart the premises within 1 hour after the close of its service or after midnight, whichever is earlier; and
- f. Operations remain subject to other applicable law, including noise restrictions.
- (2) Public street operation. A qualified and permitted mobile food service unit may operate on city-owned public streets in commercial and/or industrial zoning districts, subject to the following:
 - a. When parking on city streets the mobile food service can take up no more than two parking spaces;
 - b. Unless part of a permitted special event, the mobile food service shall not operate within 150 feet of a permanent food establishment.
 - Mobile food services can park on public streets in permitted parking areas. However, public parking spaces cannot be reserved for mobile food services;
 - Electricity, water, and any sewer services must be selfcontained with the mobile unit. No temporary or permanent attachments to separate infrastructure for any utilities is allowed;
 - Service from the mobile food service unit may only be between
 7 a.m. and midnight. The mobile food service unit may stage on the street space(s) no earlier than 1 hour before the start of its

service, and must depart the street space(s) within 1 hour after the close of its service or after midnight, whichever is earlier;

- f. Operations on streets are subject to street closures by the city from time to time, including closures for parades and other special events; and
- g. Operations remain subject to other applicable law, including noise restrictions.
- (3) City park or city lot operation. A qualified and permitted mobile food service unit may operate in city parks or city lots in commercial and/or industrial zoning districts, subject to the following:
 - a. Mobile food services can set up and operate within a cityowned park or lot only with written permission of the director of parks and recreation or when taking part in a permitted event with the permission of the person or organization that has reserved the park or lot for the permitted event;
 - b. Outdoor seating may be provided on-site when operating in city parks or lots. No seating shall be permanently installed and all seating shall be removed when mobile food service is not open for business;
 - Electricity, water, and any sewer services must be selfcontained with the mobile unit. No temporary or permanent attachments to separate infrastructure for any utilities is allowed;
 - d. Service from the mobile food service unit may only be during the regular operational hours of the park (or from 7 a.m. until midnight if on a non-park city lot) or, when applicable, during the length of the permitted event, if longer. The mobile food service unit may stage no earlier than 1 hour before the start of its service, and must depart the premises within 1 hour after the close of its service or after midnight, whichever is earlier (subject to park operational hours). Notwithstanding the foregoing, mobile food service units participating in a permitted event in a city park or on a city lot may begin staging when the permitted event so allows and remain staged overnight during

the course of the permitted event, though no sleeping in a unit is allowed; and

- e. Operations remain subject to other applicable law, including noise restrictions.
- (b) Residential District Private Event Operation. Notwithstanding anything in the city's zoning ordinance to the contrary, a mobile food service qualified and permitted under Article III can operate on private property in a residential district provided that:
 - (1) Permission is granted by the property owner or authorized lessee of the property;
 - (2) Service is provided in support of a specific event/party;
 - (3) Service is provided on the private property and does not encroach onto public property;
 - (4) Items sold and/or provided are only available to guests attending the event;
 - (5) No seating shall be permanently installed and all seating shall be removed when mobile food service is not open for business. No seating shall be located on any street;
 - (6) Service concludes at the end of the event (which shall only be for a single day period) or by midnight at the end of the day on which the event/party started, whichever time is earlier. The mobile food service unit may stage 1 hour before the start of the service, and must depart the premises within 1 hour after the end of the event or after midnight, whichever is earlier. Service may not begin before 8:00 a.m.; and
 - (7) Operations remain subject to other applicable law, including noise restrictions.

Mobile food service operations in city parks in residential districts shall be subject to the conditions set forth in Section 8-64(a)(3).

Sec. 8-65. – Health and safety.

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- (a) Mobile food services vehicles must be parked, oriented, and operated in locations so as not to create a safety hazard. Queue lines and sales windows at the point of exchange should be afforded sufficient space so that they do not block the street travel lanes, impede public sidewalks, block driveways, or cross on to private property.
- (b) Motorized and non-motorized carts or other vehicles must abide by all applicable traffic laws and regulations and shall not block public sidewalk or building entrances and exits.
- (c) Mobile food service operations will comply with all Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals regulations, and applicants for a permit must provide a copy of their health certificate with their permit application. The health certificate must be available upon request when the mobile food service is operating.
- (d) Unrestricted mobile food service motorized and non-motorized vehicles must acquire an inspection report from Fire District 1 indicating the mobile unit is "acceptable for use". The report must be provided to the city before a permit can be issued and must be available upon request when the mobile food service is operating.

Sec. 8-66. - Insurance.

Mobile food services applying to operate on city property must provide proof of comprehensive general liability insurance covering the applicant's business operations before a permit can be issued. City property includes all streets, rights-of-way, parks, lots, and city-owned buildings.

Sec. 8-67. – Waste.

- (a) Trash receptacles. Mobile food services establishments will provide at least one trash receptacle large enough to contain all refuse generated and are responsible for cleaning and removing all trash and garbage related to their operation.
- (b) Trash and garbage disposal; waste. The mobile food service owner/operator is responsible for proper disposal of its/his/her trash and garbage. In no case will trash and garbage be placed in a property owner's dumpster without the property owner's permission. No oil or other waste from mobile food service operations shall be dumped in any city sewers or drains. Oil, grease, and any blackwater or greywater shall be disposed of in accord with applicable law.

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Sec. 8-68. - Signage.

Temporary A-frame signs/menu boards. Temporary A frame signs/menu boards can be set up on or adjacent to the mobile food service vehicles. The sign cannot impede public sidewalk, block driveways, take up a parking space, or in any way distract drivers. Temporary signs must be removed when the mobile food service is not open for business.

Sec. 8-69. - Penalties

Notwithstanding anything in the Code to the contrary, penalties for a violation of any provision of Article III of Chapter 8 of the Code shall be those set forth in Section 1-12 of Chapter 1 of the Code. Additionally, submission of false information in connection with a permit application or multiple or unresolved violations of any other provisions of this Article III shall be grounds for non-issuance, non-renewal, or revocation of a permit hereunder. Permit revocation hereunder shall be by majority vote of the authorized membership of the city council in legal session convened after an opportunity for the permit holder to be heard. Administrative non-issuance or non-renewal of a permit hereunder may be appealed by the applicant to the city council, such request to be made, in writing, to the council administrator within fifteen (15) days of the denial, the appeal to be heard by the council within thirty (30) days of the written request. Reversal of an administrative non-issuance or non-renewal of a permit hereunder shall be by majority vote of the authorized membership of the city council in legal session convened after an opportunity for the applicant to be heard.

II. Appendix A, Part 10, Section 10.1 of the Code is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

Section 10.1. - Qualified and Permitted Mobile Food Service

Notwithstanding anything in this Appendix A (zoning ordinance) of the Code to the contrary, a mobile food service qualified and permitted under Article III of Chapter 8 of the Code shall be permitted to operate within the city under the terms and conditions set forth in said Article III of Chapter 8 of the Code, and subject to the penalty provisions referenced therein.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that this ordinance shall be effective upon adoption.

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Council Administrator

ADOPTED this 28th day of September, 2021.

Leslie Denham

President of the Council

Councilwoman, District A

Greg Cromer Mayor

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