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# Proposed Food Court Amendment

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# Group Agreements

- Please be concise
- Allow everyone to speak before speaking again
- Be respectful of others and of differing viewpoints
- Stay on topic



Food Truck Friday - Reno Nevada

# Meeting Purpose

- Review options for regulations for food truck courts
  - Other items relating to food trucks are not part of this code amendment
- Discuss and share feedback on proposed code amendment
- Gain understanding of areas that stakeholders feel need refinement
- Share next steps



# Background

- Mayor and Council authorized staff to develop standards for the congregation of food trucks on approved sites at the January 11, 2023 meeting
- Staff has reviewed examples from other cities / communities and held several meetings and developed draft standards to address the issue
- Looking for a balance on how to regulate this specific land use

# Why the Code Amendment?

- Mobile food trucks and peddlers are currently permitted
- Starting to see changes in the ways food trucks congregate
- Concerns about health and safety including electrical, parking, and bathrooms
- Strong interest in our community and want to support small business incubation, but don't currently have a means to regulate

## The Pit closed — and opened again. Here's the nitty-gritty of what's going on with the food truck park.

There's currently no system in place for a food truck park like The Pit, and things have gotten complicated.

Ellice Lueders  
Jan 21, 2023



[https://thecityofucson.com/en/about-the-pit-the-closed-and-reopened-park-here-the-nitty-gritty-of-what-s-going-on-with/article\\_8178f828-002b-11e4-8ac2-0022305a](https://thecityofucson.com/en/about-the-pit-the-closed-and-reopened-park-here-the-nitty-gritty-of-what-s-going-on-with/article_8178f828-002b-11e4-8ac2-0022305a) 1/20

The Pit - *This is Tucson*, January 21, 2023

# Food Truck Court Regulations Elsewhere

- Portland Oregon
- Durango Colorado
- Pima County - Comida Park
- Numerous jurisdictions identified in planning research documents



Comida Park – Tanque Verde Swap Meet

# Proposed Food Court Definition

Food Court: A unified establishment which serves food for consumption on or off premises from multiple eateries or vendors. Food Courts may be developed to include any combination of indoor or outdoor operations.



Food Truck Court – Portland Oregon

# Food Court UDC Amendment

The following is an overview of proposed food court amendments:

Allow for a new land use called "Food Court" in all commercial zones.

- Key use specific standards:
  - Outdoor activities allowed, loudspeakers or music prohibited within 600-feet of residentially zoned property
  - Retail Sales permitted but not to exceed 50% of vendor stalls
  - Must have permanent power pedestals and central grease interceptor



Permanent Power Pedestal Example



# Food Courts UDC Amendment

Continued overview of proposed food court amendments:

- Outdoor generators are prohibited
- Hours of operation are limited to 7am to 10pm
- Permanent or temporary accessible restrooms are required
- 1 parking space per vendor required + 1/100 sq ft for designated outdoor seating area



11<sup>th</sup> Street Station – Durango Colorado

# Food Courts UDC Amendment

Continued overview of proposed food court amendments:

- A dust-proof surface may be permitted as exceptions to the standard requirements
  - Pavers, Concrete, porous asphalt, decomposed granite, gravel treated with a polymer emulsion, inorganic and organic ground cover, chip seal
- Additional landscaping is not required if within an existing developed site
- If permanent paving is not provided, then landscaping and stormwater retention and detention standards do not apply



Dust Proof Paving Example

# Discussion

- What feedback do you have on the proposed code amendment?
- Any other comments?



# Opportunity to Comment Further

- Written comments can be submitted via the following, which is also posted in the chat
  - <https://forms.office.com/g/B29c5Cb5ns>

# Timeline for Food Truck Courts Amendment

