



# City of Venice

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## Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

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Tuesday, August 17, 2021

1:30 PM

Council Chambers

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### 21-26AM

Mobile Food Dispensing Text Amendment (Legislative)

Staff: Len Bramble, Assistant City Manager

Mr. Snyder announced this is a legislative hearing, read memorandum regarding advertisement and written communication, and opened the public hearing.

Mr. Bramble provided a presentation regarding mobile food vending, food truck owners and permits, and answered board questions.

Ms. Fernandez stated that state law prevents municipalities from prohibiting food trucks, a code provision must be written to address them, and state and case law prohibits prioritizing brick and mortar over food trucks.

Mr. Graser inquired about city taxes and permits for food trucks.

Ms. Fernandez responded regarding fees, permits, taxes, and noted that a food truck business would be exempt from local business tax, unless it is based in Venice.

Mr. Snyder noted concern regarding planned unit developments (PUDs).

Ms. Fernandez noted that the food truck would still have to adhere to being located 150 feet from any residence.

Mr. Bramble discussed the Villages of Milano, food truck locations at home owners associations (HOAs), and residential restrictions.

Mr. Clark commented regarding PUDs and location of food trucks, and regulations.

Mr. Lawson commented that he was not concerned about food truck locations with the 150 feet from residential restriction.

Mr. Jasper inquired if PUD restrictions would overrule.

Ms. Fernandez noted restrictions of a PUD would supersede the city



restrictions and the food truck would also need approval of the HOA board.

There was no audience participation.

Mr. Snyder closed the public hearing.

**A motion was made by Mr. McKeon, seconded by Mr. Willson, that based on review of the application materials, the staff report and testimony provided during the public hearing, the Planning Commission, sitting as the local planning agency, finds this Petition consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and therefore, recommends to city council approval of Text Amendment Petition No. 21-26AM. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 4 - Mr. McKeon, Mr. Willson, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Jasper

**No:** 2 - Chair Snyder and Mr. Graser

**Excused:** 1 - Mr. Hale