



## Legislation Text

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Ordinance To Amend And Re-Enact The Zoning Ordinance Of The City Of Hampton, Virginia By Amending Chapter 6, Article 1 Entitled "C-1 District - Neighborhood Commercial" To Permit The Use "Food truck host site"

### **Background Statement:**

This amendment, if approved, would allow food truck host sites to be a permitted use within the Neighborhood Commercial C-1 zoning district by not requiring the use to be within a wholly enclosed building. In 2022, City Council directed staff to bring forward amendments which would streamline and improve food trucks' ability to operate in Hampton. This amendment in conjunction with six related amendments is staff's effort to achieve that directive.

If the set of seven zoning ordinance amendments are granted, "food truck host sites" would become a use within the Use Table, enabling operation of food trucks at various locations on property throughout Hampton. These proposed amendments focus on how food trucks may operate on properties throughout the city, and not within the right-of-way. Additional standards proposed would define where on the property and how the food trucks would be allowed to operate. Additionally, there would be provisions describing where food trucks may be stored or parked when not in operation within the city. There are also City Code amendments proposed for City Council consideration which would streamline the permitting and licensing process for food trucks by eliminating the peddler's permit and clarifying that food trucks are allowed as part of neighborhood special events.

### **Recommendations:**

Staff Recommendation:

Approve

Planning Commission Recommendation:

Pending

**WHEREAS**, the public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice so require;

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia that Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 6-2 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Hampton, Virginia, be amended to read as follows:

### **CHAPTER 6 - Commercial Districts**

**ARTICLE I. - C-1 District - Neighborhood Commercial**

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Sec. 6-2. - Development standards in general.

(1) Limitations. Permitted stores, shops, offices, or businesses, except food truck host sites, gasoline supply stations, and parking lots, shall be conducted wholly within an enclosed building and no more than fifty (50) percent of the floor area of any building shall be used for the storage of merchandise.

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