



Legislation Text

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Ordinance to Amend and Re-Enact Article XIII of Chapter 2 of The City Code of The City of Hampton, Virginia Entitled "Special Events" Pertaining to Food Trucks at Neighborhood-Scale Special Events

Background Statement:

This amendment, if approved, would remove the restriction for mobile food vendors or "food trucks" from being a part of a neighborhood-scale public special event. 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 two related City Code amendments, and seven related Zoning Ordinance 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. Additional standards proposed would define where on the property and how the food trucks would be allowed to operate. If the set of City Code amendments are granted, they will 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:

Approval of the ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia that Article XIII of Chapter 2 of the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

CHAPTER 2 - ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE XIII. - SPECIAL EVENTS

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Sec. 2-312. - Special events; definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms are defined as follows:

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Neighborhood-scale public special event. Any announced gathering held outdoors on city property where all of the following criteria are met:

- (1) Attendance is not expected to exceed 250 people total;
- (2) No alcoholic beverages will be provided;
- (3) Admission will not be charged;
- (4) No public streets or other public rights-of-way are required to be closed; and
- (5) The event will be held on city property identified on the neighborhood-scale public special event map.

