

**DRAFT CHANGES TO MALL/CONCOURSE REGULATIONS
FOR INITIAL DISCUSSION – JUNE 2018 VOC MEETING**

1. Discuss creating a deadline by which to *apply* for most vending licenses.

Currently, there is no deadline to apply for any vending license. This creates a big rush in the days leading up to and after April 15 each year.

Proposed deadline to apply = March 1. This would apply to the following license types: Mall/Concourse Food, Arts/Crafts, Sidewalk Café, Merchant Vendors, SE Campus, Citywide sidewalk cafes, and all annual Basic street vendors. This deadline would not apply to monthly basic licenses. Exceptions to the deadline: Annual Basic license for vendors who start their operations mid-year / after April 15; or first-time vendors who are starting operations mid-year (except M/C Food Vendors who are subject to deadlines through the Food Cart review process.)

Application deadline - Language to change:

The procedures for license applications are found throughout MGO 9.13 (the ordinance.) If the VOC and sponsors recommend creating a deadline to apply for licenses, ordinance amendment language will be drafted in sections throughout 9.13 where each of the affected license types is handled.

2. Create a system of late fees for both *applying* for the license late and *paying* for an approved license late.

Ordinance and Regulation language to change:

Currently, MGO 9.13 and the Regulations are silent on when the vendor must purchase the license. A license is necessary to operate so the assumption is you cannot vend / cannot set up your café unless you have purchased the license. But the reality is that many vendors are not purchasing their license on time from year to year, but continue to vend anyhow. (The exception is Mall/Concourse Food Vendors who, by regulation, forfeit their site if they do not purchase all necessary licenses by April 15.)

If the concept for the above structure of late fees is approved to go forward, the City Attorney will draft language to MGO 9.13 and the regulations to create these new deadlines and the late fees for missing the deadlines.

Application procedures, including the online Accela permit system will have to be modified to incorporate these new steps.

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