## For June 2017

# STAFF REPORT TO VENDING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (VOC)

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# MALL/CONCOURSE FOOD VENDOR STATUS

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 34

Licenses are continuing to come in and I am making notes on what can be done to help the process be smoother and user friendly next season. There continues to be issues with the platform we are using to license. I am working regularly with IT to address these challenges on both my end and on the vendors end.

## Umbrella Licenses Issued in 2017: 2

**Saturday Food Court:** The food court has been successful. Vendors and customers have been very happy. Some farmer's market vendors have not. Their big complaint is the exhaust from the food cart's generators

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

Warning: There is nothing to report in this category.

**Observation:** There is nothing to report in this category.

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# SIDEWALK CAFÉ STATUS

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 38

Licenses for sidewalk cafes continue to come in. I have learned that the auto notifications that Accela is supposed to send out never happened this season, thus a number of café's were unaware that their licenses had expired. I am making my way into visit the cafes to introduce myself and remind them it is well past time to renew their cafes.

I have been researching what other departments do for license renewals. It seems the Alcohol licenses have a good on time renewal rate. I will be looking into what we can do better educate café operators on the process.

I recommend the VOC review the sidewalk café renewal requirements and work toward a more streamlined process. As the ordinance is currently written there is little difference between new applicants and required information and renewals. Some of the information required for renewals seems unnecessary if we have it on file and it has not changed.

Some of the café operators have been pushing back and resistant to our requests to accommodate art and craft vendors as well as making any required modifications to their

café. We are continuing to work with them to communicate the requirements and remind them it is a privilege to use public space for the café and not a right. We have set deadlines for completion of the café application and required documentation.

## Enforcement: 4 final warnings issued

ARTS & CRAFTS STATUS

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 43

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

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## MERCHANT VENDOR STATUS

Licenses Issued in 2017: 4

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

SOUTHEAST CAMPUS VENDING AREA STATUS

## **Licenses Issued to Date: 6**

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

# CAMP RANDALL HIGH DENSITY VENDING STATUS

# Licenses Issued in 2017: 4

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

TOSVOD Vending

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 4

Our first TOSVOD vendor began on 6/24/17! I continue to get inquiries and have heard that vendors are making plans to apply.

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

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# LANGDON STREET HIGH DENSITY VENDING

## Licenses Issued to Date: 0

This is due to construction. No licenses will be issued until the construction is over.

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

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# LATE NIGHT VENDING STATUS

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 4

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

BASIC STREET VENDOR LICENSE STATUS Not related to other licenses such as Mall/Concourse

## Licenses Issued in 2017: 9

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

## TABLING PERMIT STATUS

Permits Issued in 2017: 124 +

**Enforcement:** There is nothing to report in this category.

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# **BANNER PERMIT STATUS**

Organizations applying for one or more in 2017 banner spaces to date: 33 + Banner permits issued to date in 2017: 47 +

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## MISCELLANEOUS

- Construction on the square is moving forward but continues to create challenges for vendors and required me to create temporary placements of vendors to accommodate parts of the construction project. The anticipated completion date is July 28<sup>th</sup>.
- I would encourage ongoing food cart vending on the 200 block of MLK. Vendors, customers and restaurant owners that I have talked to are all in favor. The food cart operators and restaurants I have talked to have seen increased sales with the new vending location.
- I continue to have conversations about allowing full sized food trucks and vending on private property on a daily basis.
- Working on Saturday's during the market I am increasingly aware of the amount of vehicle, bike and pedestrian traffic there is on the square during that time. I believe it is a safety hazard. I have had discussions with the Capital Police and others regarding this. I believe we should look into closing the square to traffic during the market, except for vendors and customers picking up items. Or work with the Farmer's Market to have volunteers assist customers to their cars with larger orders.