

Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

On March 23, 2020, the Mayor issued an Emergency Proclamation based on the increasing transmission of the COVID-19 virus within the City of Madison. To help mitigate the financial impacts of this emergency on the businesses and residents of Madison, the proposed resolution waives all Street Vending license, application, and late fees with the exception of fees for Camp Randall High Density Vending and UW Game Day licenses. The Economic Development Division's Office of Business Resources is authorized to issue refunds for all such street vending license fees and late applications. The estimated loss in revenue by refunding and waiving these fees is approximately \$230,000. The estimated loss assumes no fee collection for basic street vending, food vending, late night vending, campus vending, mall vending, and sidewalk cafes.

A budget amendment is not proposed at this time. The Finance Department is closely monitoring the 2020 budget and subsequent budget amendment resolutions to fully fund the response efforts are anticipated in the future.

Title

Waive all Street Vending License fees under MGO 9.13 for the 2020-2021 vending season, except Camp Randall High Density Vending and UW Game Day Vending licenses, and authorize refunds for fees already paid for the 2020-2021 vending season.

Body

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, pursuant to Madison General Ordinance Section 3.19, the Mayor issued an Emergency Proclamation, based on the increasing transmission of COVID-19 within the City of Madison; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Governor of Wisconsin issued Emergency Order #12 ordering individuals to remain home except for Essential Travel; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Governor's Order all Nonessential Businesses are required to close; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Order has also had significant impact throughout the City on all businesses throughout the City, this includes restaurants holding sidewalk café licenses, businesses with merchant vending licenses, Food carts, arts and crafts vendors, and all other street vendors, and has the potential to have significant financial impact.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that effective immediately, Street Vending licenses under Madison General Ordinances Section 9.13 will continue to be required for the 2020-2021 vending season, but all license, application, and late fees required for such licenses under Sec. 9.13 are hereby waived, except the fees for Camp Randall High Density Vending and UW Game Day licenses are not waived; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Office of Business Resources is authorized to issue refunds for all such street vending license fees and late application