

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND JOBS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to extend the reduced cost (\$291) of the sidewalk vending operating permit until July 1, 2022.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Price – Raman – O’Farrell):

REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance to amend LAMC Section 42.13.82 to extend the reduced cost (\$291) of the sidewalk vending operating permit until July 1, 2022.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On June 22, 2021, your Committee considered a Motion (Price – Raman – O’Farrell) relative to amending the LAMC to extend the reduced cost (\$291) of the sidewalk vending operating permit until July 1, 2022. According to the Motion, while the Federal government, as well as State and local jurisdictions took measures to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the most vulnerable communities, many who did not receive any type of financial assistance, continue to recover from the devastating economic and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Among the most vulnerable communities severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic are sidewalk vendors who were not only largely left out of any type of Federal coronavirus direct stimulus payments but have also experienced an increase in targeted physical attacks. Sidewalk vendors have turned their vulnerability into strength. Irrespective of the working conditions, the potential danger of working on the street, their ability to sell, the harassment they endure, still know that it is only option they have as a means to put food on the table to feed their families. Given that there are still many challenges for vendors to obtain the appropriate documentation to continue their vending activities, the City is in a position to assist by extending the reduced cost of the vending operating permit as the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic begin to settle. On September 8, 2020, Council approved an amendment to LAMC Section 42.13.8.2 to extend the reduced cost (\$291) of the sidewalk vending operating permit until July 1, 2021 (Council File No. 13-1493). After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Economic Development and Jobs Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
PRICE:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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