

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance adding a new Subsection (j) to Section 41.20 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require Electronic Benefit Card Acceptance at Certified Farmers' Markets.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. A new Subsection (j) is added to Section 41.20 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

(j) **Electronic Benefit Transfer Card Acceptance at Certified Farmers' Markets.** The Board is authorized and directed to require that each applicant for a Special Events Permit to hold a Certified Farmers' Market on City property or on City streets, provide proof of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Cards acceptance by providing a Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) Number issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. The institution of this provision shall begin with the next renewal period of each Certified Farmers' Market application.

Sec. 2. **URGENCY CLAUSE.** The City Council finds and declares that this ordinance is required for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety for the following reason: In order for the City of Los Angeles to ensure that its residents have access to alternative nutrition and healthy choices through Farmers' Markets, it is necessary that the amendments to the Los Angeles Municipal Code as reflected in this ordinance must become effective as soon as possible. For this reason, this ordinance shall become effective upon publication pursuant to Los Angeles Charter Section 253.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, **by a vote of not less than three-fourths** of all its members, at its meeting of _____.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By _____ Deputy

Approved _____

Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By 
LAURIE RITTENBERG
Assistant City Attorney

Date Sept. 27, 2016

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