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To:

Public Safety Committee

Alderman Thomas Nardelli, Chair

From:

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Commissioner of Health

Re:

Temporary Food Dealer Licenses, Inspection/Reinspection Fees

Section 60-23 of the proposed ordinance simplifies the temporary food license fee structure and makes it more equitable, as operators will be charged based on the number of days operated versus the current two-tiered structure of projected gross food sales combined with days of operation.

- Restaurant: Under the proposed structure each temporary restaurant that operates one day or less will pay \$50 and an additional \$25/day if an event runs more than one day. Based on this formula a vendor who operates a stand at a three-day festival will pay a \$100 license fee. Under the old fee structure this vendor would have paid from \$90 to \$215 to operate a stand at a three-day event.
- Retail (Non restaurant): A non-restaurant vendor who processes at the point of sale will pay \$50 per event for a license under this proposal. If there is no processing at the point of sale, a vendor will pay \$30 per event for a license. Under the current structure these fees average \$50 and \$99 depending on projected gross food sales.
- Extension of food operation to the outside: The proposed license fee for an already licensed food establishment that extends its food preparation to the outside on a temporary basis is \$40 if the temporary extension is one day or less and \$60 when the temporary extension is more than one day. The current fees are \$25 and \$40 respectively.
- Farmers' market: The annual temporary license fee for a non-restaurant vendor at a farm market is \$60 under this proposal. Currently this fee is \$50.

Section 60-70 of the proposed ordinance was created to address the audit recommendation that the Health Department develop a progressive enforcement procedure in order to reduce repeat violations. This proposal allows the Department to charge a \$74 inspection fee when at the time of a routine inspection a violation that existed at the last routine inspection is found. In addition, it allows the charging of escalating reinspection fees starting at \$74 when a violation remains uncorrected.