



City of Austin

Environmental Health Services Division Proposed City Code Changes - 2015

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Goals and objectives:

- **Austin/Travis County HHSD, Environmental Health Services Division operates programs designed to promote and protect the public health.**
- **Minimizing the public's exposure to health and environmental hazards through community outreach, education and regulatory enforcement.**

Proposed Changes:

- Administrative Enforcement Process - An Amendment to **Chapter 2-13** to include the Health and Human Services Department for an administrative process creating offenses and establishment of hearings and penalties.
 - Removes these enforcement cases from the Municipal Court Criminal system.
 - Penalties start lower than the standard fines imposed by Municipal Court.
 - Reduces the amount of time between violations and compliance actions.
 - Criminal Court reserved for more critical and repeated violations.

Proposed Changes:

- Food Handler Registrations – Significant revisions to **Ch. 10-3-34** regarding food handler registration based on the passage of SB 582.
 - Food Handler registration no longer required
 - Training still required.
 - Enforcement protocols.
 - “Volunteers” removed from the definition.

Proposed Changes:

- Central Preparation Facilities Registration Process – Revisions and additions to **Ch. 10-3** to include a new process and fee for the registration of mobile vending central preparation facilities.
 - Administrative fee for registration.
 - Must meet minimum requirements.
- Mobile Vending – Minor additions to **Ch. 10-3-93** adding water and wastewater tank sizing requirements.
 - Number one reason for the suspension of MV permits.
 - Critical food safety and environmental issue.

Questions?