

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 50824 Agenda Number 11.

Meeting Date: 10/8/2015 Department: Health and Human Services

Subject

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 10-3 related to food handlers.

Amount and Source of Funding

It is estimated that the new Central Preparation Facility registration requirements of this ordinance change will generate an additional \$15,000 in revenue per year.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Related Items:

Purchasing				
Language:				
Prior Council				
Action:				
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	0319; or Elena Shemilina, Agenda Coordinator, 512-972-5033.			
Council				
Committee,	September 16, 2015 - Forwarded to full Council on a 3-0 vote with Council Member Tovo off the dais.			
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Action:				
MBE / WBE:				

Additional Backup Information

Starting in 2008, all food handlers permitted by the City were required to obtain food handler training approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services and to register with the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department. The State Legislature passed SB 582, effective May 26, 2015, prohibiting health jurisdictions from collecting a fee for food handler registrations from individuals that have completed the American National Standards Institute-approved training course. As a result, Chapter 10-3 of the City Code is being updated to reflect these changes to state law.

Also, Subchapter K of Chapter 229 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), known as the "Texas Food Establishment Rules," has been repealed and the new Chapter 228 of the TAC becomes effective on October 11, 2015. These changes are hereby being incorporated into Chapter 10-3.

Chapter 10-3 is also being modified to include a definition for a single booth, single day event, and establish new Central Preparation Facility requirements.