SUBJECT: An ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Schedule of Fees, Fines, and Other Charges to be charged or set by the City (Ordinance No. 20200812-002) to exempt charitable feeding organizations from the Austin Public Health Department’s Food Establishment Permit Fee.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Fees Waived:
$14,002 CFO Category 2; 1-25 Employees
$9,576 CFO Category 3; 1-25 Employees
$3,831 CFO Category 4; 1-25 Employees
$1,466 CFO Category 4; 26-50 Employees
$336 CFO Category 4; 51+ Employees

$29,211 Total Fees Waived

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This item will result in an estimated $29,211 in unrealized Fiscal Year 2020-2021 revenue to the Austin Public Health Department.

The City of Austin currently has an estimated 189 charitable feeding organization (also known as CFO) operations that require food establishment permit fees that range from $359 to $896 per establishment per year depending on the establishment size (number of employees) and risk category, as set forth in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Schedule of Fees, Fines, and Other Charges (Ordinance No. 20200812-002).

Waiving fees or costs for this item results in unrealized revenue for the General Fund. Because budgeted revenue for fees is based upon current counts of establishments requiring permits, the waiver of these fees reduces potential revenues that could otherwise be realized. The ongoing General Fund fiscal impact of the proposed Austin Public Health permit fee waivers is estimated to be $77,895 per year.