

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of April 30, 2013 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of May 14, 2013

DATE: 4/23/2013

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Farmer's Market Ordinance

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending Chapter 19, Code of Ordinances, City of Corpus Christi, regarding farmer's markets and the accompanying vendor fee; providing for penalties; providing for severance; and providing for publication.

PURPOSE:

The Corpus Christi Nueces County Public Health District is proposing the adoption of new Section 19-17, entitled "Farmer's Markets", for the purpose of regulating certain goods and products, more specifically eggs, at Farmer's Markets.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Farmer's markets have quickly become a major sales outlet for many agricultural producers, at which fruit, vegetables, eggs and other goods and products are sold. By law, certain goods and products, such as eggs, are required to be regulated by local health authorities. As such the Corpus Christi Nueces County Public Health District, as the local health authority, has proposed the amendment to Chapter 19, Code of Ordinances, City of Corpus Christi regarding farmer's markets, including a permit fee and regulations regarding the handling, preparation and labeling of eggs.

ALTERNATIVES:

No ordinance specific to farmer's markets or health district regulations specific to the sale of certain goods or products, such as eggs, sold at farmer's markets. Farmer's market activity would be regulated by Health District as a temporary event or restaurant establishment, or other activity as appropriate. Council may choose to approve ordinance, amended ordinance or disapprove.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Council approval required for acceptance of this ordinance.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Corpus Christi-Nueces County Public Health District Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

 Operating 	□ Revenue	□ Capital	X Not applicable
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Fiscal Year: 2012- 2013	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
This item	_			
BALANCE	_			

Fund(s):

Comments: No matching funds required.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this amended ordinance.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance

Amended Ordinance