

Vendors and Solicitors Ordinance

FMC, Title 5, Chapter 5.35



Purpose of New Vendors and Solicitors Ordinance: The State Legislature added Government Code Section 51036 to provide requirements for local authorities to regulate sidewalk vendors. Over the past few years, the City has also experienced an increase in food truck activities, and currently the local regulations do not address the different types of mobile vending businesses. In addition, the City would like to include regulations applicable to charitable solicitation, as no such regulations currently exist.

Who is considered a vendor?

Any person, including employee or agent of a group of individuals, partnership, corporation, who sells or offers to take orders or sell food, beverages, goods, or merchandise from a mobile vending cart, vehicle, or trailer is considered a vendor and must apply and obtain a vending permit issued by the City of Fremont's Revenue Division or Police Department (if applicable).



Types of Vending and Soliciting Permits:

Non-motorized Vendors: sidewalk vendors, pushcart vendors, trailer vendors, and door to door solicitors

Motorized Vendors: Food trucks

Group Site Vendors: two (2) or more food trucks

Ice Cream Vendors: Ice cream trucks only

Charitable Solicitors and Vendors: Vendors and Solicitors working on behalf of non-profit/charitable organizations

Application Requirements:

- Complete vending permit application.
- Copy of a government issued photo ID.
- Two passport-quality photographs of the applicant.
- If a vehicle will be used, proof of automobile insurance with coverage of \$500,000.
- If applicant is a minor, under the age of 16, must provide proof of registration with the State Labor Commission.
- If application involves sale of food, produce or any item intended for human consumption, the application must provide copy of a valid health or other permit issued by the appropriate agency.
- Proof of compliance with the Business Tax Ordinance.
- Proof of general liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000.
- Payment of a nonrefundable application fee.

For more information regarding the new Vendors and Solicitors Ordinance, please contact:

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