

Lemos, June

From: Ruffing, Linda
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 10:19 AM
To: Lemos, June
Subject: email from Wendy Younger re: mobile vending

From: Mendocino Cookie Co / Zappa's Coffee
Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2015 3:28:49 PM
To: VanWormer, Cindy
Subject: Mobile food vending carts

Dear Cindy,

I would like to respond to the staff recommendations I just heard KOZT list on air.

It is NOT okay for a food vendor to set up near an existing restaurant. Does the City Council really want to force existing food establishments out of business.

Bulb outs and sidewalks should NEVER be used to sell food. Congestion, ADA compliant access, and traffic problems should be of paramount concern. ALSO... I can't put a sandwich board in front of my business without being regulated why should it be okay for food or food related items to be sold on sidewalks???

Food vendors should not be allowed in the city limits and certainly **not in the historic business district**. Relegate this type of business to North and South of town. With the possible exceptions of Pudding Creek Trestle parking lot and/or Haul Road parking lot (which I heard may be expanded?). It could be a boon for Mackerricher, Jug Handle, and Russian Gulch parks to have food available for visitors.

I also have these questions:

Local businesses pay sales tax, & parking space fees. They donate time and money for local causes. They employ many Fort Bragg City residents and pay workers comp and payroll taxes for the jobs they afford. Are food vending tables on sidewalks or trucks going to do this????

How will you regulate the days/times they can operate?

How will you keep a handle on taxes and licensing?

Will they be subject to the same strict rules regarding no trans fats, packaging, labeling, Environmental Health rules, Food Handling Managers and Food Handlers certifications?

Thank you,
Wendy Younger, Manager
Mendocino Cookie Company