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WHEREAS, micro and small business-ownership helps lead to upward economic mobility, mitigating the impacts of displacement and improving opportunities for people in Austin; and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2015, City Council amended Section 10-3-93(D)(6) of the City Code relating to food and food handlers, to require mobile food establishments to come, on an annual basis, to a location designated by the health authority for an inspection; and

WHEREAS, of the over 1,500 mobile food vendors operating within the city limits of Austin, it is estimated that more than 80 percent are people of color; and

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25 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

26 The City Manager is directed to explore options to amend Section 10-3-26
27 93(D)(6) of the City Code to update the requirements for the inspection of mobile
28 food establishments that have a regular, fixed location and a co-location agreement
29 with an adjacent business to include an option to opt-in for on-site permitting
30 inspections in the same manner as a brick-and-mortar food establishment that also
31 complies with the requirement under Section 228.221(a)(3) of Title 25 of the Texas
32 Administrative Code that the mobile food establishment is readily moveable.

33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

34 The City Manager is directed to explore and confirm costs for any expanded
35 staffing and equipment required by Austin Public Health's Environmental Health
36 Services Division and Austin Fire Department to accommodate this change in
37 process.

38 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

39 The City Manager is directed to explore options for allowing the use of online
40 notary services as part of the mobile food establishment permit application process
41 to minimize the administrative burden on microbusiness owners.

42 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

43 The City Manager is directed to work with the Austin Public Health
44 Environmental Health Services Division to begin the routine collection of
45 demographic data for mobile food establishment license holders, and the number
46 of people they regularly employ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to bring the available options for City Code amendments, implementation plan, and staffing costs to Council for its consideration by the May 30, 2024, meeting.

ADOPTED: _____, 2024 **ATTEST:** _____
Myrna Rios
City Clerk