

# City of Palm Coast, Florida

## Agenda Item

**Agenda Date:** January 20, 2026

<b>Department</b>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Division</b>	PLANNING	<b>Account #</b>

**Subject:** ORDINANCE 2026-XX MOBILE FOOD DISPENSING VEHICLES

**Presenter:** Michael Hanson, AICP, Senior Planner

**Attachments:**

1. Presentation
2. Ordinance
3. Business Impact Statement

**Background:**

**This is a legislative item.**

§509.102 Florida Statutes (F.S.) provides regulations and preemptions regarding Mobile Food Dispensing Vehicles and Temporary Commercial Kitchens (MFDV). The law preempts licensing to the state and prohibits municipalities from being able to prohibit MFDVs from the entirety of their jurisdiction. The City of Palm Coast allows for MFDVs within the City through a special event permit, regulated by the Code of Ordinances Chapter 28 Article II. Due to the City's inclusion of MFDVs in special events, the City is in compliance with the requirement of §509.102 F.S. to not prohibit the use in the entirety of the city.

Food Truck Tuesday has been a staple in Central Park since 2013. It happens on the third Tuesday of every month with a constantly rotating roster of food trucks. Each month a beneficiary is selected from various local non-profit organizations as a community fundraiser.

To address the growing demand of MFDVs within the City staff was asked to analyze the feasibility of adopting an ordinance to regulate MFDV operations outside of special event permits. A draft ordinance was presented to the City Council on October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025. City Council provided direction to modify the draft ordinance to additionally provide the ability for MFDVs to operate as an accessory use to existing businesses. The updated draft ordinance was emailed out to a group of approximately 65 MFDV vendors that have previously registered with the City for inclusion in MFDV operations during Special Event Permits. The group's feedback was requested, and they were invited to the Planning and Land Development Regulation Board (PLDRB) meeting on December 17, 2025. That stakeholder group was also invited to the City Council business meetings for MFDVs.

The PLDRB voted unanimously to recommend approval of the draft ordinance with a recommendation to strike the six-hour limit on private catered events and to have any amplified noise/music be regulated by the City's noise ordinance similar to a bar or restaurant.

**Recommended Action:**

**ADOPT ORDINANCE 2026-XX MOBILE FOOD DISPENSING VEHICLES**