

TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: 12/03/2024 ITEM NO: 7 DESK ITEM

DATE:	December 3, 2024
TO:	Mayor and Town Council
FROM:	Gabrielle Whelan, Town Attorney
SUBJECT:	Adopt an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14 of the Town Code to Rescind the Existing Pushcart Ordinance and Replace It with a New Sidewalk Vending Ordinance in Compliance with State Law and Amend the Existing Peddler and Solicitor Ordinance to Exclude Sidewalk Vendors From its Provisions. Ordinance Title: "An Ordinance of The Town Council of The Town of Los Gatos Amending Sections 14.40.010, 'Definitions,' and 14.40.015, 'Nonapplicability,' of Article IV, 'Peddlers and Solicitors,' of Chapter 14, 'Licenses and Miscellaneous Business Regulations,' of the Town Code and Replacing Article VII, 'Pushcarts,' of Chapter 14, 'Licenses and Miscellaneous Business Regulations,' with a New Article VII, 'Sidewalk Vending.'"

REMARKS:

Attachment 2 contains public comment.

Attachment Previously Received with the Staff Report:

1. Draft Ordinance

Attachment Received with this Desk Item:

2. Public Comment

PREPARED BY: Bridgette Falconio Administrative Technician

Reviewed by: Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Community Development Director, Chief of Police, Finance Director, and Parks and Public Works Director

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

I will be unable to attend the meeting tonight. Unfortunately, I was also unable to comment on this matter during the 11/19/2024 Town Council meeting due to other pressing commitments. I am writing to express my concerns about the new sidewalk vending ordinance. It appears overly complex and burdensome. It would be ideal if our town government could work harder to simplify the ordinances in our town.

Since the proposed ordinance is difficult to parse out, it is not clear to me how it would affect some of our youngest residents. Therefore, I have the following question: How does this ordinance apply to children's lemonade stands in neighborhoods? How about girl scout cookie sales stands?

Please consider doing what you can to protect these activities.

Thank you, Linda Swenberg