



1 A. Every applicant for a sidewalk vendor's permit shall file with the Permit Officer a written  
2 application on a form provided by the Permit Officer which shall contain the following:

3 1. The name, address, telephone number and California driver's license or identification  
4 number, or social security number, or individual taxpayer identification number, or municipal  
5 identification number in lieu of a social security number, or a consular identification card or national  
6 identification card issued as photo identification to citizens of their respective country or similar  
7 identification, of the applicant and of each person, if any, to be employed or retained by the  
8 applicant.

9 2. The number of pushcarts, stands, displays, pedal-driven carts, wagons, showcases,  
10 racks, or other nonmotorized conveyances to be operated by the applicant, either directly or through  
11 employees or subcontractors, and the design of each, including signage.

12 3. The character, location, hours and routing (as applicable) of sidewalk vendor  
13 operations.

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15 C. Prior to issuance of a sidewalk vendor's permit, the applicant shall show proof to the Permit  
16 Officer that he has obtained the business license required by Chapter 5.04 of this code."

17 Section 5: Section 5.38.050 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
18 follows:

19 **"Section 5.38.050 Indemnity agreement.**

20 As a condition to receiving a sidewalk vendor's permit, every permittee shall  
21 execute an agreement holding the City and its employees and agents harmless from any liability  
22 arising from the use of the permit."

23 Section 6: Section 5.38.070 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
24 follows:

25 **"Section 5.38.070 Permit issuance.**

26 The Permit Officer shall issue the permit if the requirements of  
27 Sections 5.38.040, 5.38.050, 5.38.060, and other pertinent sections are complied with. One written  
28 permit shall be issued for each pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack,

1 or other nonmotorized conveyance to be operated by the applicant, either directly or through  
2 employees or subcontractors. Such written permit shall be in a form approved by the Permit Officer.”

3 Section 7: Section 5.38.080 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
4 follows:

5 **“Section 5.38.080 Transfer prohibited.**

6 Permits issued under this chapter shall not be sold, assigned or transferred, and shall cover only the  
7 named permittee and pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other  
8 nonmotorized conveyance to whom they are issued.”

9 Section 8: Section 5.38.100 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
10 follows:

11 **“Section 5.38.100 Permit revocation.**

12 A. The Permit Officer may revoke any permit or permits for any of the following reasons:

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14 2. Failure of the permittee to notify the Permit Officer within five business days of any  
15 change occurring subsequent to the issuance of the permit in the information supplied by the  
16 permittee upon which issuance of the permit was based;

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18 4. Violation by the permittee, or any employee or subcontractor of the permittee, of  
19 any State, County or municipal law in the course of conducting sidewalk vending operations  
20 pursuant to the permit.

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22 Section 9: Section 5.38.110 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
23 follows:

24 **“Section 5.38.110 Permit appeal.**

25 B. Any person whose application for a permit is denied or whose permit is suspended or revoked  
26 by the Permit Officer may appeal such decision to the Land Use, Sustainability & Resilience  
27 Committee by filing a written notice of appeal in the City Manager's Office within ten days after  
28 receipt of the notice of denial, suspension or revocation. The Land Use, Sustainability & Resilience  
Committee shall review and determine the appeal and the decision of the Committee shall be final.”

1           Section 10: Section 5.38.115 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
2 follows:

3 **“Section 5.38.115 Sidewalk vendor location regulations.**

4 A. No sidewalk vendor shall be located in a fixed location on any residential street, including  
5 parkways or sidewalks. Sales may be made on residential streets from sidewalk vendors that  
6 continually move from place to place and stop only for the period of time, not to exceed thirty  
7 minutes at any one place, necessary to make bona fide sales to purchasers, subject to the provisions  
8 of this Code.

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10 E. No sidewalk vendor shall be located within 15 feet of any loading zone, bus stop, or parking  
11 space or access ramp designed for persons with disabilities.

12 F. Sidewalk vending is prohibited within any designated bikeway, bike lane, or bicycle parking  
13 area.

14 G. No sidewalk vendor shall obstruct access to public infrastructure, including parking meters,  
15 parking pay stations, shared mobility parking zones, waste receptacles, crosswalk pedestrian push  
16 buttons, and public furniture.

17 H. Sidewalk vending shall be prohibited adjacent to any portion of the curb designated as a  
18 passenger, commercial, or school loading zone via signage and/or curb markings.

19 I. Sidewalk vendors shall maintain an unobstructed four-foot walking path at all times.

20 J. Sidewalk vending is prohibited in the center median of any street.”

21           Section 11: Section 5.38.120 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
22 follows:

23 **“Section 5.38.120 Other sidewalk vendor regulations.**

24 A. Each pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other  
25 nonmotorized conveyance shall have affixed to it in plain view the permit required by this chapter  
26 and the permit required by Chapter 5.04 of this Code.

27 B. Permittees, owners, or users of pushcarts, stands, displays, pedal-driven carts, wagons,  
28 showcases, racks, or other nonmotorized conveyances shall not operate his or her business in any  
way as to cause a public or private nuisance.

1 C. The only signs used in conjunction with a pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon,  
2 showcase, rack, or other nonmotorized conveyance shall be signs affixed to or painted on the device  
3 or its canopy.

4 D. A refuse container of at least four cubic feet capacity shall be provided near the sidewalk  
5 vendor.

6 E. No sidewalk vendor shall use a loudspeaker or public address system.

7 F. No artificial lighting for or on any pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon,  
8 showcase, rack or other nonmotorized conveyance is permitted.

9 G. No sale of any merchandise or food is permitted to any person who is in a motor vehicle at  
10 the time of sale.

11 H. There shall be no more than one table, measuring no more than 16 square feet, affixed to,  
12 adjacent, or near a sidewalk vendor selling food. The table may only be used for displaying food or  
13 beverages for sale, condiments, and napkins.

14 I. There shall be no more than one ice chest or comparable container affixed to, adjacent, or  
15 near the sidewalk vendor for purposes of offering food or beverages for sale.

16 J. No benches, chairs, or tables shall be affixed to, adjacent, or near the sidewalk vendor for  
17 purposes of supplying customers a place to eat or drink.

18 K. Each sidewalk vendor may have one awning or umbrella over the pushcart, stand, display,  
19 pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other nonmotorized conveyance. Each sidewalk vendor  
20 may have no more than one additional awning or umbrella affixed to, adjacent, or near the vending  
21 operation.

22 L. Sidewalk vendors are responsible for ensuring that the area immediately surrounding the  
23 pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other nonmotorized  
24 conveyance is kept clean and free of trash and debris associated with the operation.

25 M. No pushcart, stand, display, pedal-driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack, or other nonmotorized  
26 conveyance or appurtenance shall be unattended at any time or stored, parked or left in a public  
27 space overnight.

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1           Section 12: Section 5.38.130 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended and  
2 replaced in its entirety as follow:

3 **“Section 5.38.130 Special Restrictions for Parks.**

4 A. Stationary sidewalk vendors in public parks are prohibited from vending in City parks where  
5 the City Manager or his or her designee has signed an agreement for concessions that exclusively  
6 permit the sale of food or merchandise by the concessionaire.

7 B. Sidewalk vending is prohibited at the following regional reserve/open space parks:

8           1. Box Springs Mountain Open Space.

9           2. Challen Park Open Space.

10           3. Mount Rubidoux Park and San Andreas Avenue/Glenwood Drive between Tequesquite  
11 Avenue and Fourteenth Street.

12           4. Pachappa Hill Open Space.

13           5. Quail Run Open Space.

14           6. Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park.

15 This prohibition is made upon the City Council’s consideration of objective health, safety, and welfare  
16 concerns; the necessity of ensuring the public’s use and enjoyment of natural resources and  
17 recreational opportunities, and the necessity of preventing an undue concentration of commercial  
18 activity that would unreasonably interfere with the scenic and natural character of the aforementioned  
19 parks.

20           Section 13: Section 5.38.140 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended and  
21 replaced in its entirety as follows:

22 **“Section 5.38.140 Abandonment and disposal.**

23 Any unclaimed items will be considered abandoned and forfeited to the City ninety (90) days after the  
24 City calls the owner to retrieve the items, and the City may destroy or otherwise dispose of the items  
25 pursuant to law.”

26           Section 14: Section 5.38.150 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby added as follows:

27 **“Section 5.38.150 Severability.**

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1 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this chapter is for any reason held to be invalid  
2 or unconstitutional by decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect  
3 the validity of the remaining portions of the chapter. The City Council hereby declares that it would  
4 have passed this chapter and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact  
5 that any one or more section, subsections, clause or phrase thereon irrespective of the fact that any one  
6 or more other section, subsections, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.”

7 Section 15: The City hereby finds that this ordinance is not subject to review under the  
8 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15060,  
9 subdivision (c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical  
10 change in the environment) and 15061, subdivision (b)(3) (there is no possibility the activity in  
11 question may have a significant effect on the environment). In addition to the foregoing general  
12 exemptions, the City Council further finds that this ordinance is categorically exempt from review  
13 under CEQA under the Class 8 Categorical Exemption (regulatory activity to assure the protection of  
14 the environment), CEQA Guidelines section 15308.

15 ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Mayor of the City of Riverside

18 Attest:

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City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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1 I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the  
2 foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced and adopted at a meeting of the City Council  
3 on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

4 Ayes:

5 Noes:

6 Absent:

7 Abstain:

8 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the  
9 City of Riverside, California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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