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CITY COUNCIL APPROVES PLAN FOR MOBILE FOOD VEHICLE STANDS

*Allows Food Trucks to Operate in Designated Spots
in Higher-Density Neighborhoods, in Addition to Legal Parking Spaces*

The City Council today approved a plan introduced by Mayor Emanuel earlier this month that establishes dedicated mobile food truck stands in higher-density neighborhoods to provide space to operate, in addition to the legal parking spaces food trucks currently use.

“These dedicated stands for food trucks will provide additional parking opportunities and expanded operations to foster this growing industry,” said Mayor Emanuel. “They will also help to safeguard communities from added congestion and public safety issues, while creating economic opportunity throughout the city.”

Similar to a traditional loading zone, these dedicated locations will help food truck operators to park safely, especially in high-congestion areas where parking is scarce. The first proposed locations were selected through a collaborative process with the Chicago Department of Transportation, aldermen, and neighborhood business communities. Additional food truck stands will be established later.

In July, the City Council passed an ordinance to expand food truck operations in neighborhoods across Chicago. Food truck operators are now permitted to prepare “food to order” on board their trucks and have the opportunity to park for free in these proposed “food truck stands” in highly congested areas, as well as legal metered spaces that are 200 feet from a retail food establishment.

Each food truck will be able to park at one food stand or other legal parking spot for up to two hours.



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The proposed mobile food truck stands are in the following community areas: the Loop; the Near West Side; the Near North Side; Lincoln Park; Lakeview and West Town. The list of the approved locations is as follows:

- 3627 N. Southport Ave.
- 3420 N. Lincoln Ave.
- 3241 N. Lincoln Ave
- 817 W. Belmont Ave.
- 1005 W. Wrightwood Ave.
- 1030 W. Fullerton Ave.
- 2342 N. Stockton Dr.
- 1262 N. Milwaukee Ave.
- 1218 N. Milwaukee Ave.
- 2135 W. Division St.
- 1155 N. Oakley Ave.
- 1615 W. Chicago Ave.
- 149 N. Ashland Ave.
- 831 N. Wells St.
- 930 N. LaSalle St.
- 219 W. Chicago Ave.
- 450 N. Cityfront Plaza Dr.
- 828 N. Larrabee St.
- 30 E. Lake St.
- 125 S. Clark St.
- 437 S. Columbus Dr.

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