

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** City of Seguin Mayor and Council

**From:** Pamela Centeno, Director of Planning & Codes

**Subject:** Ordinance regulating Food Trucks

**Date:** February 15, 2017

Due to an increasing interest in food trucks staff has drafted an ordinance that will allow food trucks to operate within the Seguin city limits. Over the past few years many Texas cities have adopted ordinances regulating food trucks. Some of the cities started with pilot programs while others limited them to designated areas or food truck parks. City staff has been following the success of these ordinances and has researched the regulations from many other Texas cities, finding that the requirements vary greatly from one city to the next. Staff has drafted an ordinance for food trucks that takes into consideration the successes of the other cities while addressing the specific needs of the Seguin community.

Attached please find a copy of the proposed amendments to Chapter 22- Businesses, adding a new section regulating food trucks. The proposed ordinance will allow food trucks to operate on both private properties and public streets with certain restrictions. Staff will take the regulations for food trucks one step further next month at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting by proposing amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) that will add Food Truck Parks as a new land use. Following a public hearing, the Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to the City Council for approval and adoption.

Due to the recent requests for food trucks in the Downtown Historic District, staff is moving forward with the proposed changes in the attached draft prior to the UDC amendments for Food Truck Parks. Staff will make a brief presentation at the City Council meeting outlining the proposed regulations.