ORDINANCE 23-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WHITE HOUSE, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 9 CHAPTER 6 MOBILE FOOD VENDORS SECTION 9-706.

WHEREAS, Mobile Food Vendors have found a service need in the City of White House at various construction sites, sporting events, private properties in commercial and residential areas, and public parks;

WHEREAS, Mobile Food Vendors provide a variety of foods and beverages at City sponsored events such as the Farmers Market, Americana, Music Under The Stars, and other similar events;

WHEREAS, it is important to have regulations and limitations on such Mobile Food Vendors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen that the White House Municipal Code Title 9, Chapter 6 MOBILE FOOD VENDORS be amended as follows:

TITLE 9: BUSINESS, PEDDLERS, SOLICICITORS, ETC.

CHAPTER 7: MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

SECTION: 9-706

*Amends are made in bold, italics, and underlined text.

- 9-506. <u>Location of Operations</u>. (1) All canteen, food and ice-cream vehicles must follow these requirements for operating on private and public property within the City of White House.
 - (2) Private Property. (a) Permission. All mobile vendors selling to the public from private property shall have the written permission of the property owner, which shall be made available to the inquiring city employee immediately upon request.
 - (b) Unimproved properties. Regardless of any agreement with the owner of the property, mobile food vendor vehicles may not operate on an unimproved parcel. For purposes of this section, a parcel is considered "unimproved" if the parcel of property does not contain a building that may be occupied pursuant to applicable building codes.
 - (c) Maximum number of mobile food vendor vehicles on any parcel of private property is two (2) unless prior written approval by the city administrator is given for special events.
 - (d) No mobile food vendor vehicle shall operate within fifty feet (50') two hundred feet (200') of a door intended for regular public use of a lawfully established eating establishment that is open for business (other than another mobile food vendor vehicle).
 - (e) No mobile food vendor vehicle shall operate within fifty feet (50) of any property line of any lot used for residential purposes.
 - (f) Mobile food vendor vehicles shall not block fire lanes, designated traffic lanes or ingress or egress to or from a building or street.
 - (3) Public Property. (a) Mobile food vendor vehicles may not operate on property owned by a public entity other than city property unless written permission has been given to operate on such public entity property.
 - (b) Mobile food vendor vehicles shall not operate as defined in 9-502 on any public street, sidewalk, alley, trail or right-of-way or any city owned or controlled property, including, and not limited to, city parks without written approval from the Parks and Recreation Director or the City Administrator.
 - (c) Mobile food vendors given written permission to operate on city owned or controlled property, including, but not limited to city parks must comply with all rules, regulations and requirements related to any city approved special event, including, but not limited to, provision as to where mobile food vendor vehicles will be located, how long the mobile food vendors can be present at the location, and how many and which mobile food vendor vehicles can participate in the city approved special event.

This ordinance shall become effective upon its final reading and adoption by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, and publication, the public welfare requiring it.

First Reading:

March 16, 2023

PASSED

Second Reading:

April 20, 2023

PASSED

John Corbitt

ATTEST:

Derek Watson, City Recorder