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2025

## **CITY OF TORONTO**

### **BY-LAW 253-2025**

**To adopt amendments to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 740, Street Vending, to establish a pilot to permit non-motorized vehicles to obtain a mobile vending permit and operate from mobile vending zones in University Rosedale (Ward 11).**

Whereas under section 8 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, the City may pass by-laws in respect of the economic, social and environmental well-being of the City, the health, safety and well-being of persons and protection of persons and property, including consumer protection;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. The City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 740, Street Vending is amended as follows:

a Amend the definition of ‘Mobile Food Vending Permit’ in § 740-1 so it reads as follows:

MOBILE FOOD VENDING PERMIT - A permit which grants the permit holder the right to vend refreshments and food products from a motorized refreshment vehicle, or a non-motorized refreshment vehicle which meets the requirements of section 740-12C, on a road in a Mobile Vending Zone in accordance with Article III.

b Amend § 740-12A so it reads as follows:

A. A person may apply for a Mobile Food Vending Permit which will grant to the permit holder the right to vend refreshments and food products from only the motorized refreshment vehicle or non-motorized refreshment vehicle meeting the requirements in subsection C identified in the permit in Mobile Vending Zones.

c Add a new § 740-12C as follows:

C. A Mobile Food Vending Permit may only be granted for a non-motorized refreshment vehicle that is:

- (1) a trailer;
- (2) no more than 10 metres in length;
- (3) no more than 3 metres in width; and

- (4) displaying a valid number plate issued by the Province for the trailer.

d Amend § 740-17A(13) so it reads as follows:

- D. Unless otherwise permitted under subsection C, fail to clearly display their Mobile Food Vending Permit inside the windshield of the vehicle and, where a Mobile Vending Zone is located in a pay and display location, fail to clearly display their Mobile Food Vending Permit inside the windshield of the vehicle and, where issued, next to the pay and display receipt.

e Add a new § 740-17C as follows:

- C. In addition to the conditions of operation in this section, all Mobile Food Vending Permit holders who operate a non-motorized refreshment vehicle shall also:
  - (1) Vend only in Mobile Vending Zones in Ward 11;
  - (2) Vend only during the pilot period of April 1 to December 31, 2025, inclusive;
  - (3) Despite Subsection A(13), display their Mobile Food Vending Permit inside a window of the non-motorized refreshment vehicle; and
  - (4) Where the non-motorized refreshment vehicle is attached to another vehicle, ensure the attached vehicle is compliant with all requirements for parking in that location, including, without limitation, being compliant with all by-law requirements and paying any fee required for parking;

f Amend § 740-18B so it reads as follows:

- B. A drawing or photograph, including dimensions of the motorized refreshment vehicle or non-motorized refreshment vehicle; and

g Amend § 740-26A(1) so it reads as follows:

- (1) The permit holder shall display the permit in a manner so that it is clearly visible on the refreshment vehicle, the portable display unit or the work station. In the case of a Mobile Food Vending permit, when vending in a pay and display parking location, the permit holder shall display the Mobile Food Vending permit inside the windshield of the vehicle or other location permitted for a non-motorized refreshment vehicle and, where issued, next to the pay and display receipt.

h Amend § 740-35.1A so it reads as follows:

- A. Where a person occupies and vends from a motorized refreshment vehicle or non-motorized refreshment vehicle on or near a highway, including a road, sidewalk or boulevard, in contravention of this chapter, the Executive Director, or persons acting upon his or her instructions, may cause it to be moved or taken to and placed or stored in a suitable place and all costs and charges for removing, care and storage, if any, are a lien upon the vehicle which may be enforced in the manner provided by the Repair and Storage Liens Act.

2. This by-law shall come into force immediately on the date this by-law is adopted.

Enacted and passed on March 31, 2025.

Frances Nunziata,  
Speaker

John D. Elvidge,  
City Clerk

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