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### **Ordinance Fact Sheet**

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: MAY 20, 2019

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SIDEWALK VENDORS

#### TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 6, TITLE 8, TITLE 10, AND TITLE 12 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE REGULATION OF SIDEWALK VENDORS

#### **RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:**

- Find that the proposed amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3) (general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment); and
- 2. Conduct a first reading of the proposed ordinance.

#### PURPOSES OF THE ORDINANCE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide additional revisions to the Pasadena Municipal Code to align with Senate Bill 946 relating to sidewalk vendors. Staff is proposing a vending program that expands economic opportunity for those aspiring to vend lawfully while placing limited regulations on vending to protect the public health, safety and welfare in the community's most densely crowded locations, and preserve the recreational enjoyment of the City's parks.

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#### REASONS WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

In September 2018, Senate Bill 946 was signed into state law by Governor Brown, creating new regulations supporting the sale of food items and other merchandise by sidewalk vendors, and prohibiting a local authority from regulating sidewalk vendors, except in accordance with the provisions of the bill. The state law took effect on January 1, 2019. On December 17, 2018, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 7334 in accordance with the state law. At that time, staff committed to bringing forward additional, less time sensitive, permitting and enforcement procedures that are directly related to objective health, safety, and/or welfare concerns.

The proposed additional revisions to the Pasadena Municipal Code are designed to codify access associated with the Americans with Disabilities Act; ensure the public's use and enjoyment of natural resources and recreational opportunities; and are recommended to increase vendor accountability and reduce conflict among vendors. In accordance with this proposed ordinance, the City Manager would have the authority to promulgate regulations as necessary to ensure compliance with state law and the preservation of public health, safety and welfare.

#### PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

City staff and the general public, including patrons, visitors, and business owners will be impacted by this Ordinance.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

It is anticipated that business license revenues and public sidewalk vendor permitting revenues will increase. The volume of increase is not able to be determined at this time. Additional costs may be incurred by City Departments related to enforcement of licensed and unlicensed vendors in new areas of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

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