

DOWNTOWN FOOD VENDORS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Within the Downtown District, food vendors are welcomed at designated locations as long as they comply with Ordinance Chapter 862, Chapter 863, and the following rules and regulations.

Performance

The following are guidelines for the operation of food vendors within the city of Manistee's Central Business District or DDA district. Any violation of these rules and regulations, as well as the city codes and ordinances, will be grounds for the revocation of permits.

- 1. Comply with all applicable local codes, regulations, or ordinances and all applicable federal, state, and county regulations.
- 2. Street vendors must have a refuse container with a tight fighting lid, which the vendor must remove daily. (Public refuse container may not be used to satisfy this requirement)
- 3. Food vending units shall not be left unattended for more than two (2) hours on public property.
- 4. Food vending units must be removed after hours of operation.
- 5. No Food vendor may block or slow the flow of traffic. Any food vendor positioned in a way that affects the flow of traffic will be asked to move.

Time

Food Trucks must comply with operating hours within the Downtown District. Within the Central Business District, food vendors' hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. No food vendor located within 300 feet of a brick-and-mortar restaurant may operate during the hours such a restaurant is open to the public for business.

Location

Food vendors looking to operate in a public space within the DDA must be located within the locations identified on the map below. Additionally, food vendors must comply with location requirements outlined in **Chapter 862** and **Chapter 863** in the City Ordinances. These requirements include:

- 1. Food vendors must not operate within thirty (30) feet of any intersection or driveway.
- 2. Vendors may not be located to prevent the public from utilizing any public benches, waste receptacles, and/or other public street furniture.
- 3. Vendors may not operate on public property or streets within one block of a city-authorized street fair, public festival, farmers market, or event except with the authorization of the event sponsor.

In addition to the requirements outlined above, food vendors located on public streets shall have their customer service area on the side facing the curb, lawn, or sidewalk. No service shall be provided on the driving side.



The following map highlights approved locations in the Manistee Central Business District. Operation in the highlighted approved locations does not guarantee permit approval by the Downtown Development Authority Coordinator. Food vendors within these approved locations must follow the location requirements above and any listed within Ordinance Chapter 862 and Chapter 863

Figure 1.1



Approved locations as shown above:

- Veteran Memorial Parking Lot: Must remain on the eastern side of the parking lot.
- Westside of River Street: Must remain between Pine Street and Water Street.
- East River Street: Must remain between Division Street and US-31.
- East River Street: Specifically between Jones Street and US-31.

Special consideration shall be given to food vendors operating in other locations within the Downtown District during festivals, private events, or block parties. If a food truck is caught operating outside of the designated locations without a written exemption by the Downtown Development Authority Coordinator, the vendor permit will be revoked.

The following contact information is provided for your convenience:

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