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**Food Trucks  
Open House  
Comments**

**July 12, 2017**

Additional Comments regarding Food Trucks in Taber:

→ Will offer vendors that operate out of their homes need to also pay the increased fees that are proposed?

→ Will corn/fruit stands be required to park in designated zones to sell corn?

→ The increase in license fees seems very high. Also why would there be an increase from year one to two?

→ Competition is good for our town and ~~the~~ current business owners should be able to adjust to the added economic opportunities. Competition is good for residents as it will ensure they get the best value for their dollar.

→ lots of businesses park their work vehicles in their driveway. Why would food trucks be different & where are we supposed to park them?

Additional Comments regarding Food Trucks in Taber:

→ Leave things as is. There are not many food trucks and have not disrupted the other restaurants enough to warrant change.

→ The increase in business licence fees are prohibitive and would restrict other vendors/food trucks to operate in Taber. If these fees were in place before we entered this business we would not have done so. If these fees are increased then we will most likely have to shut down our business.

→ Weekly business license <sup>for special events</sup> should be for out of town only. Not clear in the recommendations.

→ Written permission for private events seem overly onerous for both the vendors and the Taber CAO.

→ Having a time limit is too restrictive for vendors, especially for events like Canada day or Cornfest.

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We sincerely appreciate that the Town has gone to significant lengths to provide Mobile Food Vendor operators as well as members of the community with an opportunity to participate in and be involved in the process of addressing proposed changes to the regulations & By-laws pertaining to our industry. We are grateful to live, work & raise our family in such a positive community and will do our part to continue to support this Town.

We are open to some of the recommendations such as definition & zoning <sup>and</sup> but are very concerned with the potential increases to licencing & permits. The proposed price increase could prove to be prohibitive to our ability to continue to operate in Taber.

We want to do our part to support this community as long as what policies are passed are fair & equitable to all business operators.

THANK YOU!!



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One comment is

"Raising the cost of a business license for these vendors will level the playing field to make up for the lack of property taxes the food truck has"

This ~~is~~ ~~not~~ will not level the playing field. In the online report the average property tax is \$2600.00. If the restaurant is open 6 days a week, 8 hours a day they are only paying \$1.64/hour for taxes.

With our business license fee of \$100.00, and only going out 8 times a year (for 1.5 hours), our hourly rate is \$8.33/hour. Well above the average property tax rate. Obviously, if the business license is \$500, it won't be reasonable for us.

Additional Comments regarding Food Trucks in Taber:

I think things should stay the same.

With the exceptions of places to park our trucks. The Civic Parking Lot is a great place to do business far away from any other food service and we would not cause and traffic jams.

FOOD TRUCK FRENZY  
TABER

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ON A FRIDAY NIGHT