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**Food Trucks
Questionnaire Answers**

July 4-10, 2017

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Introduction

The Town of Taber began researching how Food Trucks are regulated within other municipalities after receiving a letter of complaint from local restaurant owners expressing concerns regarding Food Trucks. It is important from the perspective of the Town of Taber to support both the Food Truck industry and the traditional restaurant industry by providing rules and regulations that provide balance. The Food Truck report provides an analysis and evaluation of the current and prospective changes to the Food Truck regulations and bylaws in Taber. The two main concerns outlined in the letter include 1) unfair competition as they are mobile and have less overhead than a traditional restaurant, and 2) where they are parking (primarily at the entrance of 49th Avenue) – which is a competition issue as well as taking up parking for potential customers which is already limited in the downtown;

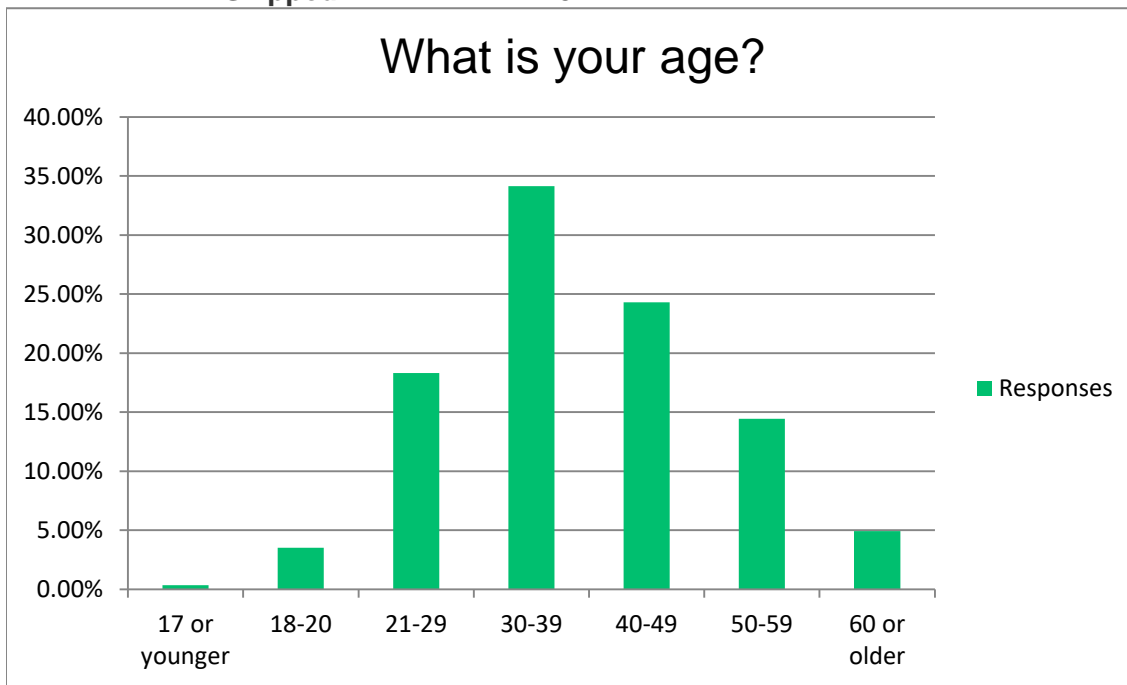
Once the report was drafted it was made public on the Town of Taber's website and the public was invited to complete a short online questionnaire. The Food Truck Questionnaire was developed to gain feedback from the community and gauge the residents of Taber's feelings on Food Trucks.

Responses to the Food Truck Questionnaire were received July 4-10, 2017. Due to the overwhelming response the questionnaire was closed earlier than originally planned to provide Administration with time to compile the data and analyze the results for the open house. Over 280 people took the questionnaire, which included several opportunities for comments. The results and comments received have been compiled by question. In any instance where comments could be conceived as negative names of businesses and/or individuals have been removed.

Food Truck Survey

What is your age?

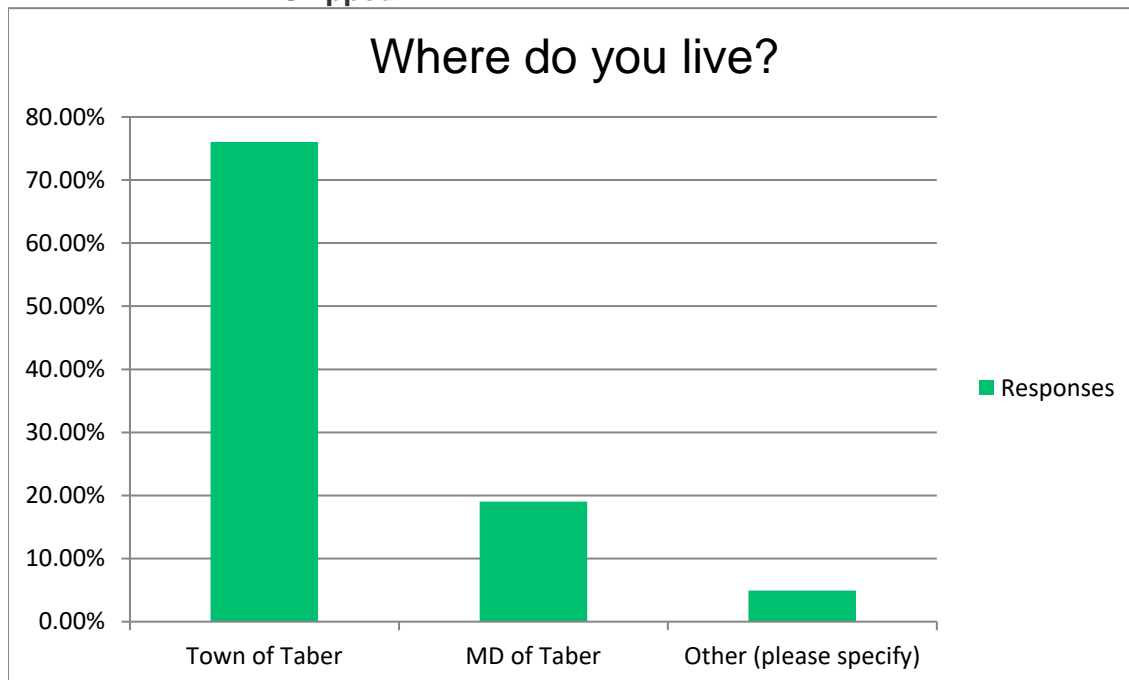
Answer Choices	Responses	
17 or younger	0.35%	1
18-20	3.52%	10
21-29	18.31%	52
30-39	34.15%	97
40-49	24.30%	69
50-59	14.44%	41
60 or older	4.93%	14
Answered		284
Skipped		0



Food Truck Survey

Where do you live?

Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Town of Taber	76.06%	216
MD of Taber	19.01%	54
Other (please specify)	4.93%	14
Answered		284
Skipped		0

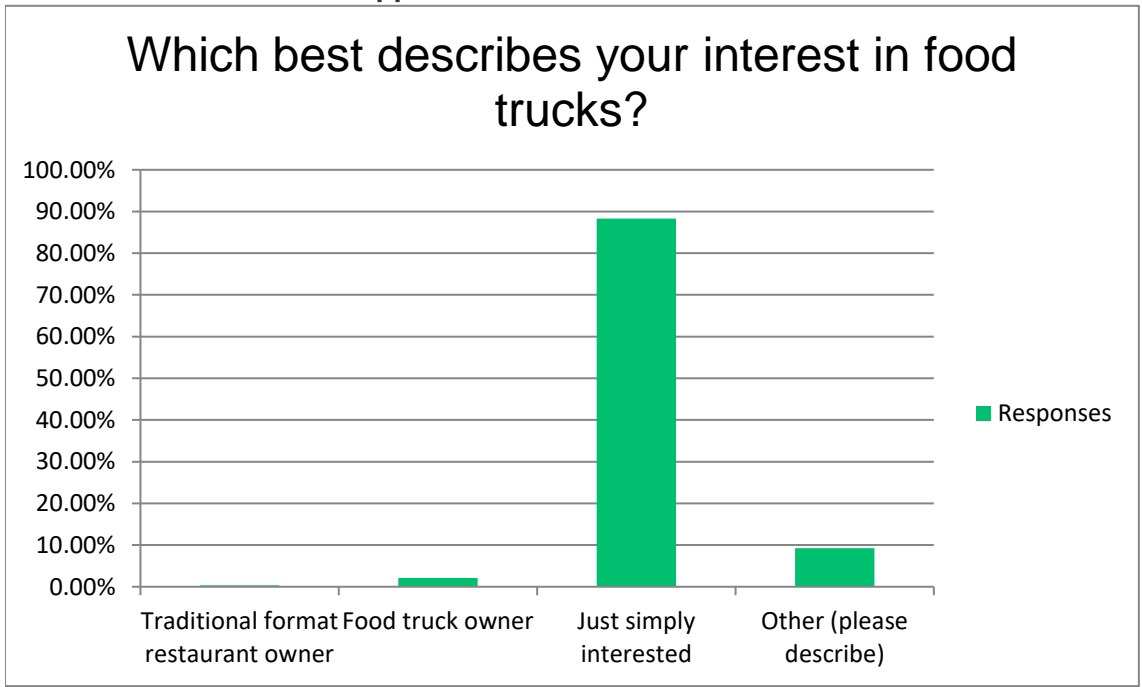


Respondents	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Jul 08 2017 10:23 AM	Outside the region, but i visit taber for several weeks of the year to visit family	
2	Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM	Work monday to friday in the town of taber	Work in Taber
3	Jul 06 2017 08:35 PM	Barnwell	Barnwell
4	Jul 05 2017 08:00 PM	Crowsnest pass but from taber and visit often	From other - visit Taber
5	Jul 05 2017 07:12 PM	Lethbridge, work in taber	Work in Taber
6	Jul 05 2017 05:31 PM	Lethbridge	Lethbridge
7	Jul 05 2017 04:57 PM	K	

	Jul 05 2017		Work in
8	04:44 PM	In Lethbridge and work in Taber	Taber
	Jul 05 2017		
9	02:42 PM	Lethbridge	Lethbridge
	Jul 05 2017		Medicine
10	01:45 PM	Medicine Hat moving to Taber July 28th!	Hat
	Jul 05 2017		
11	12:23 PM	Lethbridge but visit Taber frequently for work and pleasure	Lethbridge
	Jul 05 2017		Medicine
12	11:54 AM	Medicine Hat	Hat
	Jul 05 2017		
13	11:47 AM	Lethbridge	Lethbridge
	Jul 05 2017		Work in
14	10:21 AM	Coaldale but work in Taber daily	Taber

Food Truck Survey
Which best describes your interest in food trucks?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Traditional format restaurant owner	0.35%	1
Food truck owner	2.13%	6
Just simply interested	88.30%	249
Other (please describe)	9.22%	26
	Answered	282
	Skipped	2



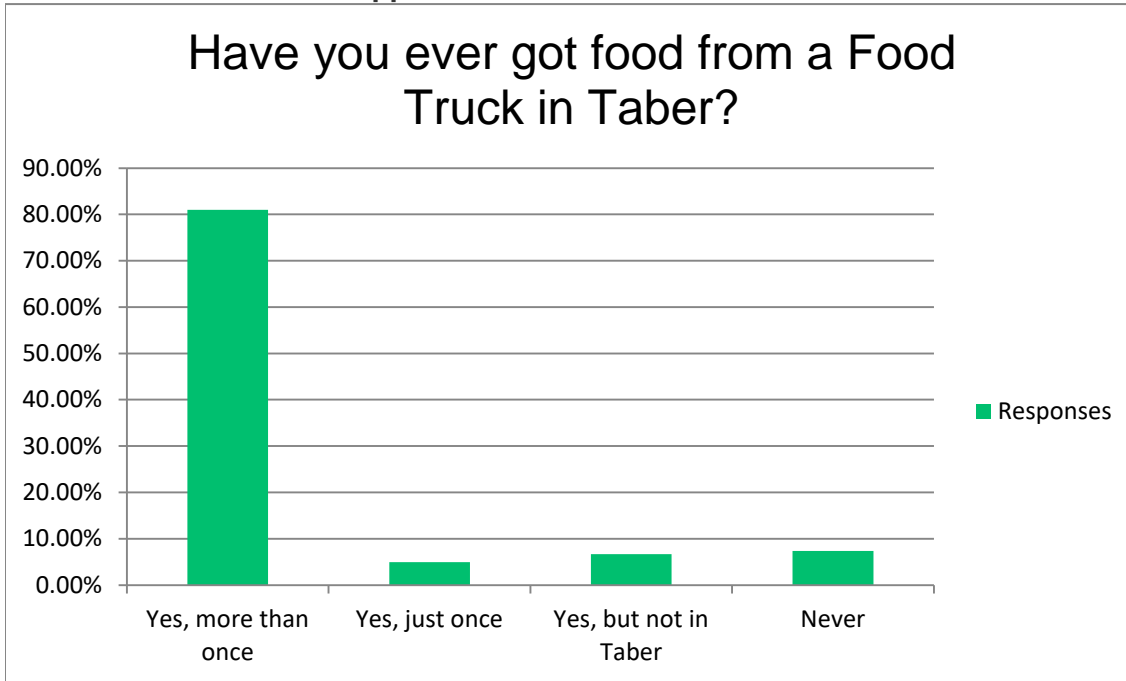
Respondents	Response Date	Other (please describe)	Categories
	Jul 09 2017		
1	10:41 PM	i eat at them	Customer
	Jul 09 2017		
2	05:10 PM	N/A	Other
	Jul 08 2017		
3	03:27 PM	I'm a customer	Customer
	Jul 08 2017		
4	10:26 AM	Food establishment manager and consumer	Employee of Restaurant

5	Jul 07 2017 09:48 PM	They offer variety to our boring fast food choices.	Other
6	Jul 07 2017 07:20 PM	Customer	Customer
7	Jul 07 2017 02:48 PM	Food truck customer	Customer
8	Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM	I love food!	Other
9	Jul 06 2017 09:30 AM	I love that we have food trucks. I wish they could be year round.	Other
10	Jul 06 2017 08:42 AM	Good Food. Unique	Customer
11	Jul 05 2017 11:23 PM	Customer	Customer
12	Jul 05 2017 07:38 PM	Customer	Customer
13	Jul 05 2017 05:23 PM	I am a consumer that buys from food trucks	Customer
14	Jul 05 2017 04:15 PM	Daughter in law of a food truck owner	Customer
15	Jul 05 2017 02:30 PM	Someone who frequents food trucks	Customer
16	Jul 05 2017 01:40 PM	Business owner	Business Owner
17	Jul 05 2017 12:45 PM	Customer	Customer
18	Jul 05 2017 12:22 PM	Love eating at them	Customer
19	Jul 05 2017 11:48 AM	Both	Other
20	Jul 05 2017 11:16 AM	To eat	Customer
21	Jul 05 2017 11:11 AM	I like the food options	Customer
22	Jul 05 2017 11:10 AM	None, citizen of Taber	Other
23	Jul 05 2017 10:35 AM	Great food!	Customer
24	Jul 05 2017 10:16 AM	view them the same	Other
25	Jul 04 2017 08:07 PM	Love the variety of food options.	Customer
26	Jul 04 2017 04:21 PM	Consumer	Customer

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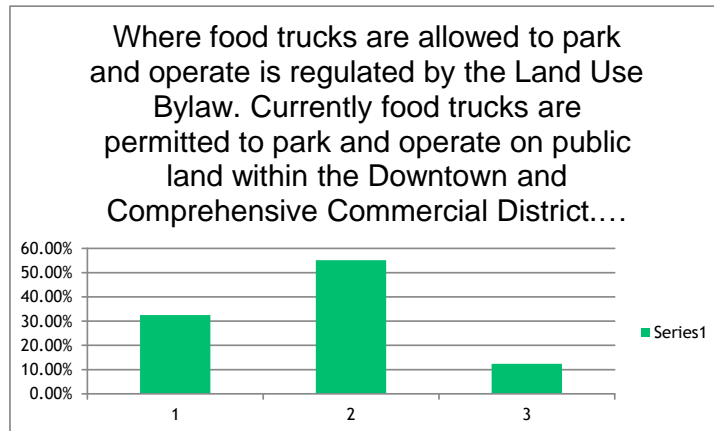
Have you ever got food from a Food Truck in Taber?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes, more than once	80.99%	230
Yes, just once	4.93%	14
Yes, but not in Taber	6.69%	19
Never	7.39%	21
Answered		284
Skipped		0



Q5. Where food trucks are allowed to park and operate is regulated by the Land Use Bylaw. Currently food trucks are permitted to park and operate on public land within the Downtown and Comprehensive Commercial District. Due to concerns around unfair competition with existing traditional restaurants who have higher overhead costs including property taxes some changes have been proposed to provide some balance. The proposed changes would restrict food trucks from locating within the Downtown and Comprehensive Commercial District and would instead create designated "food truck zones" within the Town for food trucks to park and operate. Do you agree or disagree on the concept on designated zones?

Answer Choices	Responses	Responses
I agree with the concept of designated zones	32.51%	92
I disagree with the concept of designated zones	55.12%	156
I don't care	12.37%	35
Please provide comments on why you answered the way you did:		141
Answered		283
Skipped		1



Respondents	Response Date	Please provide comments on why you answered the way you did:	Categories
2	Jul 09 2017 05:10 PM	Not fair to the local business	Agree with zones
5	Jul 08 2017 10:00 PM	The only reason I would agree with designated zones, is that then customers would know exactly where food trucks are, on any given day, and we can patronage them and enjoy a delicious meal.	Agree with zones
6	Jul 08 2017 06:56 PM	I see a restaurant owner's point of view. They are paying taxes etc...and then a food truck pulls up across the street and has virtually no overheads...doesn't seem fair	Agree with zones
13	Jul 07 2017 11:24 PM	It wouldn't be fair if a food truck parked right in front of a restaurant.	Agree with zones
23	Jul 07 2017 04:07 PM	Should not be allowed in residential areas.	Agree with zones
28	Jul 07 2017 02:41 PM	Food truck zoned would be a great idea.	Agree with zones
41	Jul 06 2017 06:09 AM	I believe they should only be allowed to operate in certain areas, where they can be monitored and areas will not be congested.	Agree with zones
47	Jul 05 2017 10:41 PM	Might be easier for customer parking	Agree with zones
48	Jul 05 2017 10:18 PM	More convenient closer to a workplace. You	Agree with zones
59	Jul 05 2017 05:40 PM	I think it's good to respect the local traditional restaurant owners as well	Agree with zones
62	Jul 05 2017 05:08 PM	It's nice to always know where the food truck will be. Sometimes checking Facebook at lunch time isn't always an option. Some don't update Facebook either.	Agree with zones
65	Jul 05 2017 04:44 PM	It is important to regulate where food trucks can and cannot park to keep a balance between the commercial and non commercial areas. It would not be pleasant to have a food truck parked outside of your home where there generally is minimal commercial traffic.	Agree with zones
67	Jul 05 2017 04:28 PM	For safety reasons, area should be pre-approved by Town (or designated)	Agree with zones
70	Jul 05 2017 04:09 PM	Food trucks can compete with each other within these designated zones. People go to food trucks because they are a special treat and not an everyday option. Putting all the food trucks together would also help advertise other food trucks.	Agree with zones
74	Jul 05 2017 03:30 PM	recognizing the higher overhead costs for traditional restaurants including Property taxes and their commitment to operating a brick and mortar business in Taber, (which benefits the town more so than food trucks),I believe food trucks should not be located within their vicinity.	Agree with zones
76	Jul 05 2017 03:28 PM	Civic parking lot. Away from other businesses.	Agree with zones
77	Jul 05 2017 03:14 PM	Fairer to other businesses and easier for the public to find them.	Agree with zones
78	Jul 05 2017 03:02 PM	It seems fair to both traditional restaurants and the food trucks	Agree with zones
83	Jul 05 2017 02:41 PM	So you know where to find the food trucks when you are looking for them. Most already have a regular spot	Agree with zones

86	Jul 05 2017 02:30 PM	I am ok with either, as long as the food trucks are still allowed to operate within town limits.	Agree with zones
95	Jul 05 2017 01:40 PM	<p>I think they should have to pay more of a fee to do this as we that own our buildings have to pay huge taxes and they have little to no overhead and barley pay anything . It should be the same with home businesses. Hence the reason the down town can't keep small businesses going . Also should regulate how may of the same business can be on one street . 2 salons 3 doors away or 2 pizza places on one street is a little close also poor planning</p> <p>Dear Town of Taber, Thank you for for your time and efforts overall & specifically regarding this matter.</p> <p>It's clear that traditional restaurant owners, food truck owners & customers will all view this topic very much differently, and the perspectives differ. But for sure food truck owners do know that they're getting away with a lot less expenses, commitment & many more perks.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Picking prime business hours/ time of day, climate and most importantly Location to operate in. -No commitment to annual (Bills, maintenance 'Fridges, AC, ovens, Commercial equip, plumbing, semi annual inspections etc.. requiring repairs due to commitment to operations almost 365 days/year..) Expences that exceed 1000's of dollars. -No commitment to paying large sums of property taxes, rent fees, utilities, Cable/wifi,etc. -No commitment to Hiring staff, (Taking on the responsibility of having a payroll added to their expenses) or to inspire local youth to gain employment and take on responsibility. learn new skills for the future. - Food trucks, wait for premium time of the year to capitalize on the food market at their own convenience, while traditional restaurants, commit their families, schedule & entire time and energy the entire year to ensure the community has its venues to rely on all year long. <p>Traditional restaurants in Taber go thru slow periods in the winter due to the Off farming season, off tourism season along with the negatively hit Oil & Gas sector. Therefore traditional restaurants eagerly hang in there and wait for their busiest times of the year (Spring & summer) to make up for the slow periods of winter&fall. That's why food trucks showing up at this times of year in a small town parking in prime locations (Downtown around many traditional restaurants, Church parking lot across from A&W, Community center parking meter away from traditional restaurants) that traditional restaurants pay a large sum of money all year long to ensure they have prime locations for just a permit fee is really not fair.</p> <p>Most customers definitely look at it as nice trend.. & nice to wait outside and mingle & a nice change & all that.. but they don't see all the commitment & work loads traditional restaurant owners & their families & staff live thru to ensure their main venues in town remain prepared all year long.</p>	Agree with zones
98	Jul 05 2017 01:10 PM		Agree with zones
106	Jul 05 2017 12:22 PM	If there is a designated place then we know where to go everyday to find them	Agree with zones
108	Jul 05 2017 12:02 PM	Perhaps would resolve the issue of being 'in-the-face' of community business owners. If there is a designated Food Truck Area... people would know in advance and still have the choice of Food Truck or sit down restaurant. Sort of a win-win as far as I am concerned.	Agree with zones
115	Jul 05 2017 11:19 AM	it would be a good idea as all trucks would be in the same place and if that is what you wanted then you would head there first and see if your favorite truck was out that day	Agree with zones
121	Jul 05 2017 11:03 AM	Parking is chaotic downtown when the trucks are on 50th and pedestrian safety is also a concern.	Agree with zones
130	Jul 05 2017 10:24 AM	Shouldn't be a free for all to park wherever, could be pedestrian safety concerns as well.	Agree with zones
137	Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM	I don't think they should park where there is a restaurant in downtown. There are parks they can go to, other places. Some people don't like friendly competition.	Agree with zones
140	Jul 04 2017 04:21 PM	So people can easily find them.	Agree with zones
21	Jul 07 2017 06:10 PM	Zones need to be easily accessible to patrons and many times within waning distance. Having a food truck zone that completely excludes the downtown core could be detrimental to food truck, as many people get only a half hour lunch break and don't want to spend 8-12 min of it driving to and from the food truck itself if In outside zones. It needs to be weighed carefully of what is of least negative impact on all businesses.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
27	Jul 07 2017 02:41 PM	I agree as long as they can still park near the downtown core. If they have to be away from the downtown area then I don't agree	Depends on the Zone
39	Jul 06 2017 08:13 AM	I agree with designated zones as long as they are in a high traffic area and it is easy and quick access so that when I go on a half hour lunch break that I have time to eat and get my food.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
40	Jul 06 2017 07:54 AM	I agree that would be fair for typically resteraunt owners as they do have higher over head cost; however these are usually busy places with lots of potential customers. You would need high traffic areas for the food trucks	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
51	Jul 05 2017 09:25 PM	I only agree if it's in a convenient location	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
55	Jul 05 2017 07:12 PM	It would be easier to find them if they were always in the same place but isn't the whole idea behind a food truck being able to mobilize.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
63	Jul 05 2017 05:00 PM	I like the idea of designated zones but don't think Downtown should be off limits.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
66	Jul 05 2017 04:32 PM	A site should be chosen with in reason. Only having the food trucks on the out skirts of town would be a problem for those that walk in the downtown area for lunch or supper. Traditional restaurant business owners need to find new ways to increase business without stopping a free market system.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones

73	Jul 05 2017 03:33 PM	I think designated zones are fine as long as they are in a centrally located area so that they have fair customer access as well.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
80	Jul 05 2017 03:00 PM	If there are designated food truck zones, it would be easier to locate them and I feel it would make service better for them. I think that food trucks should still be allowed to park by schools during the lunch hour if they already do so.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
82	Jul 05 2017 02:52 PM	Parking is an issue. Park the food trucks in locations where they don't interfere with vehicle parking, are safe, and at a distance from brick and mortar restaurants.	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
100	Jul 05 2017 12:54 PM	Zones is a good idea but I think they need to have a designated place with the downtown limits still	Depends on the zones, Agree with zones
120	Jul 05 2017 11:05 AM	I'm actually mixed on the concept. I see the value in the designated zones for traditional restaurant owners, but to be honest it is really nice having the trucks downtown, in particular around the cenotaph as it is convenient at lunch hour for working people to walk over and grab a quick lunch. I feel like I would be less likely to go and find a food truck at lunch if I had to drive to the community centre etc. I think if people are wanting to go to a traditional restaurant for lunch a food truck near by will probably not change their mind (most of the time).	Depends on the zones
1	Jul 09 2017 10:41 PM	I like that on weekdays I can find them downtown- where I am on weekdays. On weekends when I'm not downtown, but at the spray park, I can find the yogurt truck there.	Dont agree with zones
3	Jul 09 2017 05:09 PM	They should be allowed to park anywhere they'd like, providing they have permission.	Dont agree with zones
4	Jul 09 2017 01:16 PM	if traditional business are so worried about competition why is nothing said or done about all the new fast food or restaurants that keep opening up all over Taber soon we all will have one on one place to eat out get over it its competition that is needed	Dont agree with zones
7	Jul 08 2017 03:27 PM	Food trucks simply provide more options for consumers. Having choice is positive, whether the business is in a building or a food truck!	Dont agree with zones
8	Jul 08 2017 02:41 PM	As far as I know the food trucks have been respectful of other restaurants in town. They have not parked right outside of a restaurant, but haven't parked where they can certainly have a high client base.	Dont agree with zones
9	Jul 08 2017 02:17 PM	Food trucks should be aloud to serve the community where ever is public.	Dont agree with zones
10	Jul 08 2017 10:26 AM	Food truck owners and operators work hard to operate their business and make profit as do traditional restaurant owners. I believe food trucks welcome healthy competition and should be accepted to operate anywhere in our community as long as 1. They are Taber or MD of taber residents. 2. They follow all health regulations and are inspected the same as traditional establishments.	Dont agree with zones
11	Jul 08 2017 08:18 AM	They should have the freedom to do business anywhere. Freedom as long as they are complying with health regulations and have quality product for fair price! Love having options	Dont agree with zones
14	Jul 07 2017 11:15 PM	There are so little choices here for places to eat in this town-the food trucks have different have different challenges than the brick and mortar. Seems to me the brick and mortar restaurants need to up their game to provide us with more choices so we want to go there. Food trucks aren't available I year long-challenges on each side....can't compare.	Dont agree with zones
15	Jul 07 2017 11:00 PM	It shouldn't matter where they park. Even if they are not downtown, it doesn't mean that I would go to a local restaurant instead. I am going for their food & their service no matter where they are in town.	Dont agree with zones
17	Jul 07 2017 09:48 PM	I work at the clinic and some days I don't get lunch. I LOVE when they park in the parking lot of the hospital and give us a chance to have fresh food.	Dont agree with zones
18	Jul 07 2017 09:26 PM	It would be nice if they we parked in a parking lot where there is more room to get to them	Dont agree with zones
19	Jul 07 2017 08:54 PM	Designated food truck zones?? Really?? The restaurant owner had a choice when chosing to run a traditional style restaurant & should realize there will be competition.	Dont agree with zones
20	Jul 07 2017 06:21 PM	Just leave it as it is	Dont agree with zones
22	Jul 07 2017 05:06 PM	Anywhere downtown works as long as they get to stay running it is a free country to operate a business	Dont agree with zones
24	Jul 07 2017 03:36 PM	I believe that if the restaurant owners wanted the freedom of moving locations like the food teucks they should have opened a food truck instead of a restaurant. I also think that it is not the food trucks fault that it is less expensive to run their business from a truck instead of a building so they should not be penalized for it.	Dont agree with zones
25	Jul 07 2017 02:52 PM	They are a mobile food service and as such should be allowed to move where they are most able to take advantage of the traffic flow of consumers.	Dont agree with zones
26	Jul 07 2017 02:48 PM	If people working downtown want to grab a quick lunch on their short break, they should have access to these great services without having to drive across town. It also adds some competition to the mostly over priced burger joints in the area.	Dont agree with zones
30	Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM	Thats ridiculous its totally fair competition people vote with there feet. Yes a land locked resturant should have higher fees and over head. As they use more space they require more thing and have a greater eco foot print. A food truck is something people often walk to or visit and its vital that they move to there business as it not logical for over head for them to drive door to door. They also have a smaller operating window and serve food faster food trucks are a fast option if i wanted to sit down and eat i would go to a restaurant. If wanna grab a quick hot dog then a food truck is my go to	Dont agree with zones

		If you had a area with all the food trucks it allows for better accessibility for the consumer. However, you have to have the area in a walking distance from places of work, like at the civic center parking lot or behind the small rink parking lot. If you stick all of them out in ken mac no one is willing/ has the time to drive out there for food in a half- hour lunch and still have time to eat it. If you don't have easy access areas for the food trucks then don't even bother with designated zones because if they are in hard to reach places your putting the food trucks out of business.	Dont agree with zones
31	Jul 07 2017 12:04 PM		
32	Jul 07 2017 09:49 AM	I am a libertarian. Let us be free to do what we please	Dont agree with zones
33	Jul 07 2017 09:34 AM	There is a reason why food truck owners decide to run their restaurant as a food truck! So they can wherever they want! I support that! I think it depends on where your designated area would be I would hate for you to be unfair in location to the food trucks	Dont agree with zones
34	Jul 06 2017 09:42 PM		Depends on the zones
35	Jul 06 2017 03:32 PM	They should be permitted on public land. No different than a little girls lemonade stand.	Dont agree with zones
36	Jul 06 2017 09:30 AM	If they have been allowed to park and operate why change it!!! Sad!!! It adds a great social atmosphere to this town. You see other people and converse while waiting. It's seasonal. I wouldn't go to a restaurant at noon. Please don't make things more difficult for these people. I have been a home owner and tax payer for 40 years and to many rules will discourage people from trying new things!!	Dont agree with zones
37	Jul 06 2017 08:42 AM	I believe that they shouldn't be allowed to park on a resteraunts parking lot. People who run a food truck chose to run that supposed to a restaurant, and both have overhead costs. It is not fair to penalize a food truck owner for owning a food truck.	Dont agree with zones
38	Jul 06 2017 08:20 AM		Dont agree with zones
43	Jul 05 2017 11:53 PM	The simple fact is that the food trucks operating in Taber offer better food options currently available from traditional restaurants. It wouldn't matter if the truck was parked beside the traditional restaurant or across town, it will win my business. The only solution for the traditional restaurants is to improve the product they serve without increasing the prices. The food truck business is limited to the warm months of the year. In Alberta that is short lived. The restaurants in the area need to up their game in order to compete for those few months a year. The truck are fun and bring variety to the town.	Dont agree with zones
44	Jul 05 2017 11:49 PM	Food trucks only operate occasionally and offer different food choices. It's ridiculous to restrict them because of competition with restaurants. Taber has a serious lack of food choices and service sucks. Food trucks allow consumers to go around that problem.	Dont agree with zones
45	Jul 05 2017 11:49 PM	It's always fun to go to the food trucks when they are parked at a different location each time, that's the point of a food truck!! You get to eat around it and enjoy parts of town you maybe necessarily wouldn't picnic at.	Dont agree with zones
46	Jul 05 2017 11:08 PM		Dont agree with zones
49	Jul 05 2017 10:03 PM	I like the variety of places they operate at. They make it convenient for some employees who can't get away for a short lunch break when they are nearby. Ex: parking at western tractor area May be if the restaurants had people who were nice and friendly workers, they wouldn't lose business to food trucks who have friendly people.	Dont agree with zones
50	Jul 05 2017 09:45 PM	Food trucks have challenges re: competition. They should be allowed to park wherever there is green-space and/or people.	Dont agree with zones
52	Jul 05 2017 08:46 PM	The same terrible restaurant owners are blaming the trucks for bad business. Really it's them and the bad food and service they give.	Dont agree with zones
53	Jul 05 2017 08:42 PM	If people want to eat at your restaurent they simply will. Most people seek out on trip advisor and Facebook reviews where to eat not based on location... Unless they are looking for a quick stop just off the highway which I have never seen any of Tabers food trucks parked just off the highway	Dont agree with zones
54	Jul 05 2017 08:00 PM		Dont agree with zones
56	Jul 05 2017 07:09 PM	Food trucks are convenient, and should be allowed to choose their venues according to where the most convenient place for their customers happens to be on any given day. Nobody that wants to sit down for a nice quiet meal is going to go to a food truck instead of a restaurant, most people eat at food trucks due to convenience and proximity to where they happen to be at that time. It provides a fast and economical alternative to restaurants to people on the go, and further restricting or taxing them is unfair to the many people in town that enjoy stopping by a food truck that is close to where you happen to be at that time. I am not going to drive to a "Food Truck location", same as I'd avoid going out of my way to a restaurant if I'm busy or at an event.	Dont agree with zones
57	Jul 05 2017 06:17 PM	People enjoy the variety of food that food trucks offer. I'm guessing restaraunts like ██████████ are some of the biggest complainers in the downtown claiming it's not fair that they "lose" business to these food trucks. It's Important to factor in other reasons businesses like his lose customers and be so quick to point to food trucks, they can't use the unfair card for his poor business sense. He already claimed he lost a ton of business when ██████████ was in construction just simply because there was a few less parking spots available. And it's also not right to assume that the people in line for the food trucks would have gone to the local places if the food trucks weren't there. For myself I see the food trucks as just another option and it's up to me to decide which ones to support. Life's not fair, you want my business, you need to earn it with good food, good people.	Dont agree with zones
58	Jul 05 2017 05:48 PM	I haven't noticed cheaper prices from these food trucks. It sounds like local restaraunts are just a little bitter or jealous. Maybe the town should consider increasing the food truck's business licenses so ██████████ can unclench a little. I think they should be able to park wherever they want . If other businesses are hurting maybe they need to take a look at prices, freshness of food , air conditioning , staff , the atmosphere of their establishment excetrait's all fair people are going to go where they want to eat no matter locations	Dont agree with zones

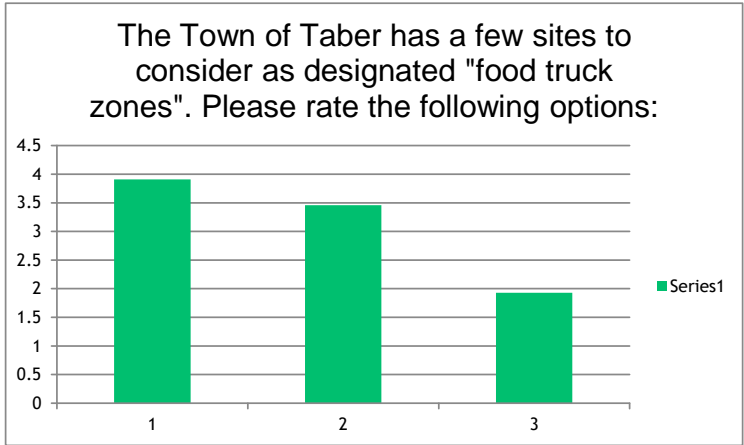
60	Jul 05 2017 05:31 PM	The point of food trucks is to be easy access . Nothing stops a "traditional" restaurant from investing in a food truck . Times are changing .	Dont agree with zones
61	Jul 05 2017 05:23 PM	I feel as long as they buy a business license, they should be able to operate anywhere they want as long as it's not restricting roadways	Dont agree with zones
64	Jul 05 2017 04:48 PM	Taber is not currently large enough to require zones for operation of Food Trucks.	Dont agree with zones
68	Jul 05 2017 04:18 PM	Taber is small enough that access should not be an issue.	Dont agree with zones
69	Jul 05 2017 04:15 PM	No offence to the restaurant owners, but, having the food trucks out is nice to have different options for food. Going to the same restaurants over and over can get very old. Restaurant owners and food trucks are both trying to make a living and I understand where they are both coming from, but variety of food choices is not a bad thing in a small town. If restaurants owners are so concerned, it is there obligation to make the public want to go to there restaurant by offering specias and advertising just like the food trucks do.	Dont agree with zones
71	Jul 05 2017 04:04 PM	Mobility is what makes the food trucks unique and more affordable than traditional permanent establishments. As long as they don't physically block parking or access to other businesses I don't see why they can't continue to operate as they are.	Dont agree with zones
72	Jul 05 2017 03:49 PM	traditional restaurants are welcome to find a way to draw traffic to their doors. Food trucks make smart business sense, and the shift in market should invite the change into a stagnant industry with lack of imagination.	Dont agree with zones
79	Jul 05 2017 03:01 PM	The point in a good truck is mobility and as for workers it allows more time to enjoy lunch if you can walk across the road to a good truck instead of waiting at conventional stores	Dont agree with zones
81	Jul 05 2017 02:58 PM	They are just trying to run a business also!	Dont agree with zones
84	Jul 05 2017 02:38 PM	Food trucks should be allowed to operate anywhere in town limits as per the current by-laws. Its nice to know that food trucks can operate at special events outside of a "food truck area". events such as sports tournaments held at the schools, block parties, or if they are asked to service a specific area (IE:they are asked to do a lunch in the industrial area by local businesses, or asked by hospital staff to do a lunch in the parking lot at the hospital). In Lethbridge It is normal for food trucks to show up at places of business such as the auto-mall on the east side to service all the businesses in the area. If local restaurants can not compete with food trucks that are open one or two days a week, four months a year, they have bigger internal problems and need to do some work on themselves before demanding changes that will hurt other businesses and limit residents on food choices.	Dont agree with zones
85	Jul 05 2017 02:37 PM	I feel the current bylaw is fine. I don't believe that parking the trucks in the downtown core would have an effect on people's decision where to eat lunch. Most people's minds are already made up on where they want to eat. Seems like maybe one or two business owners Are having problems and are looking to place blame on anything they can!	Dont agree with zones
87	Jul 05 2017 02:22 PM	That is unfair for the paying customers of the food trucks. I like when they are parked downtown, because I can walk from my place of work to the food truck to get lunch. If I had to drive, I might not go.	Dont agree with zones
88	Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM	Most people work downtown. It is an easy access point for most of the town. I live near the commercial area and it is nice to have one for the businesses in that area as well!	Dont agree with zones
89	Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM	Downtown is the best place as there are many different options. It seems to bring many people into downtown and it is nice to see it so busy.	Dont agree with zones
90	Jul 05 2017 02:20 PM	I quite often grab lunch from a food truck downtown, and I love that it's so close to my office. Their food is delicious, quick and easy to bring back to the office and provides some variety to the pizza places that seem to be on every corner downtown taber.	Dont agree with zones
91	Jul 05 2017 02:15 PM	Competition is needed and healthy for all businesses. Businesses with physical property in Taber need to take a very hard look at their own practices if they find food trucks are taking away their business. Perhaps they need to look at what customers want: efficiency, home-cooked food, good customer service, etc. Food trucks offer something different to what the restaurants in Taber currently have. When I am looking for a place to eat, I think about the time it takes to get food, and whether or not I've had a good experience there before. Some of the downtown restaurants in Taber are far too slow for a normal lunch break, and some have terrible customer service. The food trucks also spur me to go to businesses downtown, since I am already in the area. While I agree food trucks should be in places where safety is addressed and traffic will not become an issue, I don't agree that some businesses get to bully others simply because they believe "I pay taxes, so I should take priority." We all pay taxes, we have a right as citizens to spend our money where we want. Where is the analysis of the monetary benefits food trucks have brought to other businesses in Taber? I say let the Food Trucks have a number of "zoned" areas, but let the Downtown area be one of those.	Dont agree with zones
92	Jul 05 2017 02:07 PM	permanent businesses that pay property taxes are always in that spot for people to get food from whenever. food trucks are typically only out a couple days a week and change the location so it's exciting for people to run into a foodtruck when they aren't looking for one	Dont agree with zones
93	Jul 05 2017 01:54 PM	Food trucks are part of the future. Traditional owners are just mad that they are losing business to forward thinkers. Its called free enterprise	Dont agree with zones
96	Jul 05 2017 01:35 PM	Food trucks DO NOT operate all year around. if something needs to be figured out regarding taxing that is fine. but we don't need designated food truck zones. the downtown area is a perfect location for them. They only operate for a few months of the year, so if those 3.5 months are so threatening to the other business's the problem is not the food trucks. Also wouldn't "Traditional" Restaurant owners have equity at least far more of it that a food truck owner. especially since they operate all year around.	Dont agree with zones

97	Jul 05 2017 01:22 PM	They have to pay for a town business license they all generally come from the community so they do pay taber taxes I believe they should be able to operate wherever is applicable by the town bylaws as they only have the opportunity to operate a few months of the year and it's a treat to have something different in town	Dont agree with zones
99	Jul 05 2017 12:55 PM	They acquire a business licence and meet food regulations. I believe people use food trucks for the convenience of "food on the go" and the close proximity they are to their homes/shopping areas/or places of employment. I believe less people would use food trucks if they were sequestered to a specific area of town less people would want to use them. People like the idea of being out shopping or running out for lunch and getting their food quickly and conveniently.	Dont agree with zones
101	Jul 05 2017 12:45 PM	Food truck... Should be able to park anywhere	Dont agree with zones
102	Jul 05 2017 12:36 PM	The whole idea of a good truck being able to bring it to well populated areas for better exposur. Having a designated area kills the fun of following where the truck is going to be next.	Dont agree with zones
103	Jul 05 2017 12:30 PM	I think it bring a more festive feel to Taber with a little diversity in the food that is being offered. A good consideration for starting a larger restaurant. Open the minds for more business in Taber.	Dont agree with zones
104	Jul 05 2017 12:26 PM	Food trucks need to get business from where the people are. The concept of food trucks is that they go to the people, not the people going to them.	Dont agree with zones
105	Jul 05 2017 12:23 PM	Food trucks are a different dining experience from traditional sit-down restaurants. When you only have 30 minutes for lunch, you don't have time to get a meal at a sit-down restaurant. Food trucks are akin to fast food: how loud would a traditional sit-down restaurant complain about a McDonalds moving in? Again, while they may complain, it's a different dining experience. If food trucks are offering a quick alternative to fast food - food that is near and quick to get and finish within 30 minutes - then I don't see a problem with them being downtown, near where people work.	Dont agree with zones
109	Jul 05 2017 12:00 PM	What about the brick and mortar places all in the same area. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED], pasta place Chinese restaurant all within a block of each other. Why are they not complaining about the being so close there. Unfair competition my eye.	Dont agree with zones
110	Jul 05 2017 11:49 AM	Competition , better product and service equals profit regardless if you're a restaurant owner or a food truck owner. food trucks are limited to seasonal work whereas restaurant owners have the benefit of working year round	Dont agree with zones
111	Jul 05 2017 11:48 AM	Businesses operate in that there will be competition; and appealing to the town to move their competitors out of their area seems petty. If they have higher overhead costs that is not of any fault of the food truck owners.	Dont agree with zones
112	Jul 05 2017 11:46 AM	As long as it is public property food trucks should be allowed to park and operate. Part of the point of food trucks is they can go to the consumer to make it easier on the public. While it is unfortunate for traditional restaurant owners, that is part of capitalism and the town should not step in to protect certain business owners if it would punish and negatively impact other business owners (ie the food truck operators).	Dont agree with zones
113	Jul 05 2017 11:31 AM	Many people who use food trucks are walking from work downtown to eat. They should not have to travel far for the food truck. I also feel that restaraunts have a larger portion of the market as they have longer hours and operate more frequently.	Dont agree with zones
114	Jul 05 2017 11:22 AM	First off other than fast food, Taber does not have a lot of actual restaurants in town. Also if you serve good food and provide friendly service then people will come to your establishment for lunch regardless of food trucks being in the area.	Dont agree with zones
116	Jul 05 2017 11:18 AM	They should be allowed to park anywhere that is open to them. The current places they have been parking are great locations, and they should not be stripped of that right	Dont agree with zones
117	Jul 05 2017 11:16 AM	Sometimes events public or private would not accommodate the food truck to be able to attend. It limits the food trucks therefore limiting options for Taber residents and those who visit our community! We should be encouraging food trucks in our community.	Dont agree with zones
118	Jul 05 2017 11:11 AM	The idiot owner of [REDACTED] is going to drive his own business into the ground with all his complaining and bullying. If he had good food and wasn't such an idiot to his customers he wouldn't have to worry about competition.	Dont agree with zones
119	Jul 05 2017 11:10 AM	As long as there is not a safety issue (near schools or blocking traffic) food trucks should be able to set up where they can profit and where citizens can find them easily.	Dont agree with zones
122	Jul 05 2017 11:02 AM	I don't see how it would make an impact regarding on whether or not they park in one area or the other. People will find them regardless.	Dont agree with zones
123	Jul 05 2017 10:52 AM	Restrictions aren't necessary.	Dont agree with zones
125	Jul 05 2017 10:41 AM	I feel it draws people to taber ... they are only operating for limited time and have costs of their own ..gas ect ...	Dont agree with zones
128	Jul 05 2017 10:25 AM	It's not that I disagree with designated zones as much as I disagree with traditional restaurant owners whining about free enterprise.	Dont agree with zones
131	Jul 05 2017 10:23 AM	Everybody has overhead costs. As traditional owners pay property taxes etc they also have the option of having a "year round" business.	Dont agree with zones
133	Jul 05 2017 10:21 AM	There is no "unfair" competition. It is unfortunate for those restaurants that the food trucks may serve more enticing food to the public. Instead of complaining about the competition, perhaps they should put a positive spin on it and up their game.	Dont agree with zones
134	Jul 05 2017 10:17 AM	they are seasonal and offer different experiences. Don't punish one business sector because of their ingenuity and freedom of choice. Why interfere with their uniqueness.	Dont agree with zones
135	Jul 05 2017 10:16 AM	The food trucks should be able to park in convenient places so people can easily access them while on their lunch breaks from work.	Dont agree with zones
136	Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM	The entire business model of a food truck is based on mobility, and being able to go where opportunities are. Rather than designated zones, I feel there should be a few "off-limit" zones, like within a certain distance of a static restaurant.	Dont agree with zones
138	Jul 05 2017 09:18 AM		Dont agree with zones

139	Jul 04 2017 08:07 PM	Maybe local restauranteurs can compete by having specials. I think competition is healthy. My first concern is allowing businesses to dictate the regulations their competitors are forced to adhere to.	Dont agree with zones
141	Jul 04 2017 02:48 PM	Also, I imagine "food trucks" include the vehicles that stop by construction sites during breaks, etc. And wonder what Taber has against tradespeople grabbing a quick bit or hot coffee. I like the fact is it gives options for when craft shows, or other things in town are going on to be convenient for people to get lunch.	Dont agree with zones
12	Jul 07 2017 11:34 PM	Food trucks only run typically half a year depending on weather	Other
16	Jul 07 2017 10:12 PM	food trucks are primarily, an addition to a professional chef's kitchen.	Other
29	Jul 07 2017 02:22 PM	I do understand the reasoning of traditional establishments however We serve our Hot Dogs downtown once a week for 8 weeks of the whole year. We only serve our product for 90 minutes once a week. Our product is only hot dogs and therefore we are offering a very different option than any of the establishments that are nearby. Some people love hotdogs and some people cannot stand them.	Other
42	Jul 06 2017 12:57 AM	I support this community. I will continue to do what is best for this community as long as what is being asked of me as a business operator is fair and equitable.	Other
75	Jul 05 2017 03:29 PM	I love that in Medicine Hat, our food trucks can pretty much go anywhere. They are not allowed in city owned parks that have a concession. We do have a Sunday food truck day at our tourist center. Usually food trucks choose to park in other businesses lots here (Leons, Rona, our brewaries), we also have them at our once a week market on Thursday nights. They are not allowed to park in one spot more than 3 hours and must obtain a business license through our city to sell there.	Other
94	Jul 05 2017 01:45 PM	It doesn't matter to me where the trucks are located I will still be visiting them.	Other
107	Jul 05 2017 12:12 PM	I don't care in the meaning I would need more information to make an informed choice.	Other
124	Jul 05 2017 10:51 AM	We are a town with enough tax paying restaurants.	Other
126	Jul 05 2017 10:39 AM	Food trucks provide great options for people who would like more variety of choice for eating out.	Other
127	Jul 05 2017 10:27 AM	I already have to drive to get to any food truck or restaurant. So it does not matter to me if it's in a designated area.	Other
129	Jul 05 2017 10:25 AM	Food trucks should have to buy business licenses like every other business.	Other
132	Jul 05 2017 10:21 AM		Other

Q6. The Town of Taber has a few sites to consider as designated "food truck zones". Please rate the following options:

Zone Recommendations:	"Terrible Idea"	"Not A Great Idea"	"It's Okay"	"Good Idea"	"Fantastic Idea"	Total	Weighted Average
1. Community Centre Parking Lot	1.49% 3	8.91% 18	19.80% 40	37.13% 75	32.67% 66	202	3.91
2. Along 48th Avenue around Confederation Park (near ball diamonds, skate park and spray park)	2.68% 6	15.62% 35	29.02% 65	37.95% 85	14.73% 33	224	3.46
3. Ken Macdonald Sports Park	56.02% 135	12.45% 30	17.01% 41	11.20% 27	3.32% 8	241	1.93
Please provide comments on why you answered the way you did:						144	
						Answered	279
						Skipped	5



Respondents	Response Date	Please provide comments on why you answered the way you did:	Categories
		None of those locations make it easy on weekdays to get a quick lunch. For those that have more time, parking lot doesn't have anywhere to sit and visit. The sports park is terrible, who is out there on weekdays? If there is a ball tournament, then it would be okay. Again, 48th ave isn't close enough to walk to for a quick lunch.	None
1	Jul 09 2017 10:41 PM	They should be able to move to their customers, hence the food "truck".	None
2	Jul 09 2017 05:09 PM	Food trucks should be permitted to operate anywhere as long as they are not taking up significant parking of other food businesses or residents.	None
10	Jul 08 2017 10:26 AM	Leave them where they are	None
19	Jul 07 2017 06:21 PM	They deserve to be centrally located just as well as those operating from buildings. The purpose of a food truck is convenience, so giving them an inconvenient location is unfair.	None
21	Jul 07 2017 03:36 PM	Because it would not let me answer that all are a bad idea	None
22	Jul 07 2017 02:52 PM	People want to walk there for quick food. Not drive!	None
27	Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM	Let them park anywhere they want.	None
30	Jul 07 2017 09:49 AM	I agree that this is a good location, however, I think they should go where ever they want...that is legal and public.	None
31	Jul 07 2017 09:34 AM	easily get to. Nice also when they can come right to events	None
32	Jul 06 2017 09:42 PM	Parking needs to be accessible and when you see the truck you go to the truck	None
37	Jul 06 2017 08:52 AM	Community Center to much garbage everywhere and congregating at noon. Ken Macdonald Park to far	None
38	Jul 06 2017 08:42 AM	Ken McDonald is far out. Not many picnic tables on the street, and the community centre is already gonna be busy so it'll be hard for food trucks to get around.	None
40	Jul 06 2017 08:20 AM	Ken Macdonald is too far from Town.	None
43	Jul 06 2017 12:57 AM	Community Center parking lot is not an option for us as the slope of the parking lot would not allow us to set up properly.	None
44	Jul 05 2017 11:53 PM	It would be unfair to force a food provider to move too far as there is no base line comparison that the traditional restaurants wouldn't lose business anyways if the food truck was instead a traditional restaurant. The main difference is quality.	None
49	Jul 05 2017 08:46 PM	Food trucks have challenges re: competition. They should be allowed to park wherever there is green-space and/or people. I do not agree with the concept of a "food truck zone"	None
50	Jul 05 2017 08:25 PM	I'm not sure where the "best place" is. But, the food trucks provide a good service and should not be discouraged.	None

53	Jul 05 2017 07:09 PM	Restrictions to food trucks defeat the purpose of it being a portable and convenient option for Taber residents.	None
54	Jul 05 2017 06:17 PM	People don't want to leave town for lunch. The food trucks need to be in a visible location just as much as the fixed location places.	None
67	Jul 05 2017 03:57 PM	As long as they have a business license, they should be able to park any where. These locations limit food trucks. Why should food trucks be forced to a location drawing less traffic to appease owners who lack the ability to market, or build lasting relationships. Restaurants should build menus/offer promotions that keep customers coming back. Small business needs to shift with market trends to stay competitive.	None
68	Jul 05 2017 03:49 PM		None
70	Jul 05 2017 03:32 PM	I disagree with food truck zones altogether	None
80	Jul 05 2017 02:38 PM	I answered none as I strongly oppose this change	None
81	Jul 05 2017 02:37 PM	I wanted to vote terrible on both of the last two, but it won't let me. The food trucks need to be out in the open in a busy area where they can be seen easily!	None
84	Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM	Keep the food truckers in town!!!!	None
90	Jul 05 2017 01:54 PM	They should be allowed in the same places that they currently are	None
93	Jul 05 2017 01:26 PM	During sporting events at Ken Macdonald, food truck presence would cut into any concession sales for that group. That could be problematic.	None
94	Jul 05 2017 01:22 PM	They should be able to go where there is attraction like sporting and town events Community center parking lot will then become like a food court that is walking distance from many traditional restaurants. Some traditional restaurants rely on the 20-50 customers at lunch time to make their day. When 1 food truck are that near, which has been done before, slow lunch hours are felt directly. Especially during nice sunshine days. Add 2-3 mobile trucks together in that parking, People are going to love the scenery and vibe.. while local traditional restaurants consider more and more the idea of closing down or changing over to a food truck business or seasonal hours only. -Along 48th Avenue around Confederation Park (near ball diamonds, skate park and spray park), Similar opinion as to the Community center parking.. as they are very close to each other. It'll become like a mini Cornfest gathering, drawing families, customers away from prime locations to other appealing locations (park, grass, picnic style areas).	None
95	Jul 05 2017 01:10 PM	-Ken Macdonald Sports Park, would seems to be a great idea. Its not a	
96	Jul 05 2017 12:55 PM	I do not agree with any restriction on public land. They help attract people into the downtown core,	None
108	Jul 05 2017 12:17 PM	Food Trucks rely on foot traffic. If people have to drive to a designated "Food Truck Zone", it takes away the option of buying food where you are. These areas have a spot where one can park their vehicle and enjoy the food while sitting in one's vehicle. The downtown area is sometimes congested and parking is lacking. I have family who are not able to walk very far so being able to park near by is an asset.	None
109	Jul 05 2017 12:06 PM		None
121	Jul 05 2017 11:11 AM	This is sadly a very small list, three options for locations is not very accommodating. Also it would mean the purple cow would have to move? Technically a food truck. What about the corn stands that go up to sell corn, or the fresh fruit stand??	None
140	Jul 04 2017 08:07 PM	I answered no to all of the above. Food trucks provide convience and having them park on the outskirts of downtown is not convenient.	None
128	Jul 05 2017 10:41 AM	Should not be restricted to just these areas.	None
129	Jul 05 2017 10:39 AM	We can allow trucks in for special events only.	None
130	Jul 05 2017 10:27 AM	They should be allowed to be in places where they are highly visible to public and to vehicles from the highway.	None
131	Jul 05 2017 10:25 AM	I feel these are taber business owners also and deserve a prime location also for these food trucks. I disagree with the premise and think they should be allowed wherever it is safe to operate. Your information from this question is	None
142	Jul 04 2017 02:48 PM	These are all terrible options let them stay where they are. let them be downtown, part of the attraction is that many people can just walk from work and grab something quick.	Down Town, None
9	Jul 08 2017 12:48 PM	All of the places are great areas with easy access and lots of room.	All Good
11	Jul 08 2017 10:23 AM	I think all the spots listed are great for food trucks, but the survey will only allow one selection of each level of preference	All Good
34	Jul 06 2017 03:32 PM	I think they are all fantastic ideas. But food trucks may be able to be beneficial close to businesses during the lunch hour.	All Good

35	Jul 06 2017 01:34 PM	<p>With these areas being around places of gathering, For example if I take my children to the spray park we can grab a bite to eat with out leaving.</p> <p>I work and it would be a pain to drive out to Ken Mac but in saying that I would drive out there because I love the food from the food trucks. I'd plan my lunch a bit better.</p> <p>This is jealousy from the other restaurants because the food trucks have more customers. It's only 3 months out of the year. The food trucks provide variety and change from the same old same old.</p>	All Good
36	Jul 06 2017 09:30 AM	<p>These are all great spots that are convenient for families to grab food while participating in community events</p>	All Good
51	Jul 05 2017 08:00 PM	<p>Community Centre is great for everyone to access the trucks. All three of these areas would be good places for truck to be able to serve depending on the activities at the time. I think restricting the truck to only one or all three of these zones takes away from the benefits of having food trucks in town. Some areas in town don't have the benefit of going out for lunch, so having food trucks set up in industrial or at Ken Mac would be great. During soccer or baseball tournaments it would be awesome to have some food available out there without having to drive downtown.</p>	All Good
59	Jul 05 2017 05:00 PM	<p>I think these are all places that the Food Trucks should be allowed to sell, but they shouldn't be limited to these areas.</p>	All Good
60	Jul 05 2017 04:48 PM	<p>I would like the option of operating at all three of the locations suggested. As always, I am prepared to do what is necessary to continue to live in, work for and support this community as long as the proposed changes are fair and equitable to all business operators.</p>	All Good
72	Jul 05 2017 03:29 PM	<p>These are high people areas giving options to those wanting food</p>	All Good
114	Jul 05 2017 11:47 AM	<p>If designated areas are necessary: I think all the areas listed would be great places for food trucks(it wouldn't let me choose great for all) as long as basic safety rules are followed)</p>	All Good
125	Jul 05 2017 11:02 AM	<p>Great locations</p>	All Good
79	Jul 05 2017 02:41 PM	<p>Again the trucks provide a festive feel to the town. Farmers market should be here too.</p>	All Good
103	Jul 05 2017 12:26 PM	<p>This is a central area and provides visability for the trucks.</p>	Yes to Civic
3	Jul 09 2017 08:45 AM	<p>I think If anyone that has a timed lunch and works within the downtown area; Ken McD's park would not be a very practical choice, due to the time/distance to travel. Also</p> <p>would the public be aware through advertising, that would give the foods trucks an equal business opportunity?I would feel that it would be unfair to the business of the truck to not have the same competiton and choices the other restaurants are concerned about.</p> <p>THE ball diamonds/park, the spray park and skateboard park have so many kids around, that I feel it would be a safety issue with traffic and parking.</p> <p>IF a designated area has to be assigned, then the parking lot @ the civic would be a more open safer choice. However, I still prefer the downtown.</p>	Yes to Civic
15	Jul 07 2017 11:00 PM	<p>Lots of room at community centre, it's perfect!</p>	Yes to Civic
17	Jul 07 2017 09:26 PM	<p>If this actually went through, at least it's a central location.</p>	Yes to Civic
18	Jul 07 2017 08:54 PM	<p>No one is going to drive all the way to Ken McDonald for food truck. That would destroy the business of the food trucks. 48 ave is kind of inconvenient. Community Center lot is easily accessible, provides parking and is reasonable distance from brick and mortar as well as still close enough for food truck patrons.</p>	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
20	Jul 07 2017 06:10 PM	<p>Ken Mac is way too far out of the way for people to drive out get food and drive back, eat, and get back to work in a half-hour lunch.</p> <p>48th is ok a little far for a walk but it is manageable</p> <p>Community has lots of room and with no fear of cars driving by all the time with people walking. this gives lots of room for all food trucks, safety of people, and within most peoples walking distance.</p>	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
28	Jul 07 2017 12:04 PM	<p>Convenience and for them to be seen best</p>	Yes to Civic
52	Jul 05 2017 07:12 PM	<p>community center is a good crmtral location with lots of parking. sports park is out of the way and not convenient</p>	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
62	Jul 05 2017 04:37 PM	<p>Community centre has tons of parking and hook-up options for the trucks. It is further away from downtown to not interfere with other restaurants. Shows off the administration building, arena, curling rink, auditorium, Aquafun center, spray park, skatepark, and tennis courts.</p> <p>48th ave would show off the same structures as the community centre but would have less parking for customers and would potentially interfere with traffic. The assisted living centres might not appreciate all the commotion right beside their living accommodations.</p> <p>Ken Mac would be too far out of town or out of the way for people to take lunch. People from out of town or stopping by would be less likely to come upon the food trucks if put out at Ken Mac.</p>	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
65	Jul 05 2017 04:09 PM	<p>Community centre has tons of parking and hook-up options for the trucks. It is further away from downtown to not interfere with other restaurants. Shows off the administration building, arena, curling rink, auditorium, Aquafun center, spray park, skatepark, and tennis courts.</p> <p>48th ave would show off the same structures as the community centre but would have less parking for customers and would potentially interfere with traffic. The assisted living centres might not appreciate all the commotion right beside their living accommodations.</p> <p>Ken Mac would be too far out of town or out of the way for people to take lunch. People from out of town or stopping by would be less likely to come upon the food trucks if put out at Ken Mac.</p>	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac

66	Jul 05 2017 04:04 PM	The community center is the most logical place to have several food truck operate at the same time. As long as the company provides garbage cans for customers to throw their used containers in so they don't end up all over the parking lot.	Yes to Civic
82	Jul 05 2017 02:30 PM	Central, easy to get to locations would be ideal, especially during lunch hour because people only have so much time. If at Ken Macdonald, no one will have the want or time to go all the way out there.	Yes to Civic
85	Jul 05 2017 02:20 PM	Community centre is closest to me! Ken Macdonald is ridiculous and unfair to the truck for truck operators.	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
88	Jul 05 2017 02:08 PM	Convenient location	Yes to Civic
7	Jul 08 2017 02:41 PM	If a law did come into play where they were a designated areas, I would like to see them in a highly visible place and where people could walk out from work and see them there. They have to be within close proximity to the downtown core.	Down Town
45	Jul 05 2017 11:49 PM	Downtown options are clearly better during lunch break than out at ken McDonald.	Down Town, Not Ken Mac
55	Jul 05 2017 06:02 PM	I think there should be locations closer to downtown. This would allow people to be able to walk to the food truck during their lunch hour, encouraging a healthier, active lifestyle. I also don't like how this question was done as a ranking instead of looking at each location individually as good or bad.	Down Town
56	Jul 05 2017 05:48 PM	I like the idea of food trucks to be in the downtown core not segregated to the outskirts of town	Down Town
63	Jul 05 2017 04:32 PM	The food trucks need to be where the foot traffic is. With in the downtown core. Not all people have the luxury of driving to find a food truck.	Down Town
73	Jul 05 2017 03:08 PM	They should be able to park any where in town. But if zones are going to be in place, they should be closer to the down town core.	Down Town, None
104	Jul 05 2017 12:24 PM	Keeping downtown is more convenient.	Down Town
112	Jul 05 2017 12:00 PM	It doesn't make sense to have the food trucks far from downtown.	Down Town
117	Jul 05 2017 11:19 AM	central location, all trucks close and a great place to stop and eat. i myself have no reason to go way out to sports park and would be a very poor choice for anyone to head to for a quick lunch.	Down Town
118	Jul 05 2017 11:18 AM	The skate park and ken memorial are too far away from downtown.	Down Town
122	Jul 05 2017 11:10 AM	The com eat food truck literally takes up one parking spot and isn't interrupting the flow of traffic by any means	Down Town, None
138	Jul 05 2017 09:41 AM	Still close by to downtown for people to have quick access to the good trucks.	Down Town
64	Jul 05 2017 04:28 PM	I like the idea of various locations being used. Would like to see them visit the industrial area as well.	Industrial Area
76	Jul 05 2017 03:01 PM	As it is somewhere lots of family's walk. I think it is a good spot for a good truck as it is a populated place and with the ball diamonds having games Thursday's and Friday's it provides extra costumers	Confederation Park
97	Jul 05 2017 12:54 PM	If they only get one choice to go I would choose confederation park. That being said I think they need more than one option to go.	Confederation Park
100	Jul 05 2017 12:43 PM	I like the confederation park and the park close to Scotiabank because there are eating areas and it livens up that part of town.	Confederation Park, Down Town
111	Jul 05 2017 12:02 PM	Like the idea of the spray park and skate park... a public means of monitoring an area that could use more supervision. More responsible community supervision	Confederation Park
115	Jul 05 2017 11:31 AM	"Community centre parking lot" I'm assuming means the civic centre parking lot.	Confederation Park, Ken Mac for Events
123	Jul 05 2017 11:05 AM	I rated it as not a great idea as a lot of functions happen there and if food trucks This is probably the best option, as it is centrally located. The town might want to consider putting in a few more picnic tables is they make this the designated	Confederation Park
132	Jul 05 2017 10:25 AM	By the ball diamonds is nice since it's close to park to go and sit and eat.	Confederation Park
6	Jul 08 2017 03:27 PM	Unless there are events happening the Ken Macdonald Park is not convenient.	Ken mac for events
23	Jul 07 2017 02:48 PM	Anywhere central in town is a great idea for ease of access for everyone. Ken	ken mac for events
42	Jul 06 2017 07:54 AM	The sports field is ok when there are activities going on, but I would be pretty slow at other times, I feel it would really only have local traffic there	Ken Mac for Events
47	Jul 05 2017 10:16 PM	Ken Mac is great when events are hosted as there is nowhere else to go.	Ken Mac for Events
48	Jul 05 2017 10:03 PM	Spray park and ball diamonds don't have easy close access along roadway and it's usually during busy time with a lot of traffic. Ken Mac would be ok during a sporting event but who would go that far out for lunch? Time and convenience is what a food truck is about as well.	Ken Mac for Events
57	Jul 05 2017 05:23 PM	Ken McDonald ballpark is a ridiculous spot unless there's activities going on there	Ken Mac for Events
61	Jul 05 2017 04:44 PM	All options are a great idea, Ken Macdonald may not generate enough traffic to be profitable on a regular day but could provide additional ,meal options during tournaments and events. It would be up to the food truck operator to determine if this is a viable place to conduct their business, if it isn't as successful as they hope they don't need to go back to that location.	Ken Mac for Events, All Good

71	Jul 05 2017 03:30 PM	Either of the first two locations seem a good place, good access, lots of parking. Ken Macdonald's would only make sense during sports events	Ken Mac for Events, Yes to Civic
139	Jul 05 2017 09:18 AM	These are great places during events, but during the regular day-to-day operation, there isn't any business opportunity in these locations.	Ken Mac for Events
141	Jul 04 2017 04:21 PM	Sports park only has a lot of people during certain events. There is already a concession there.	Ken Mac for Events
143	Jul 04 2017 02:13 PM	Ken MacDonald is too far out of the way for regular days but would be great when functions are happening as there is limited concession on site. Other sites are nice and central and allow people of all ages and abilities to access	Ken Mac for Events
74	Jul 05 2017 03:05 PM	Community center parking is good for easy access/parking and truck visibility. 48th is poor for food truck visibility. Ken Macdonald would only be good when sporting events are happening at that location.	Ken Mac for Events, Yes to Civic
77	Jul 05 2017 03:00 PM	The Ken Macdonald Sports Park would only be a convenient place for the food trucks during sporting events. The other zones are more easily accessible during a lunch hour for people wanting to get lunch, rather than having to drive out to Ken Macdonald.	Ken Mac for Events, All Good
87	Jul 05 2017 02:15 PM	Ken McDonald would only be great for sporting events, because no one is going to drive there during their lunch break. The community centre parking lot would be a great idea closer to the curling club, as long as garbage, parking, littering, etc are all thought out.	Ken Mac for Events, Yes to Civic
105	Jul 05 2017 12:23 PM	While a zone may be a good idea for special events, as noted above. there shouldn't be restrictions on the downtown or commercial areas.	Ken Mac for Events, Down Town
110	Jul 05 2017 12:04 PM	I would like to see them be able to choose more than one location based on community activities. Ken McDonald is good at a busy time but won't attract people downtown or those on lunch who work downtown.	Ken Mac for Events, Down Town
127	Jul 05 2017 10:51 AM	KMSP would remove them from customer flow, except when there are sports events.	Ken Mac for Events
133	Jul 05 2017 10:24 AM	During events it's great st the sports park if there is room!	Ken Mac for Events
136	Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM	Ken Macdonald might be too far away. The only time that would be good is there was a recreational game going on.	Ken Mac for Events
137	Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM	Ken Macdonald Sports Park would only be convenient if there were other events going on.	Ken Mac for Events
69	Jul 05 2017 03:33 PM	Community centre parking lot is centrally located and visible so this would work.	No to Skate Park,
25	Jul 07 2017 02:41 PM	Skate park area is a bad idea because it's to close to a busy road and to many	No to Skate Park
4	Jul 08 2017 10:00 PM	Ken Mcdonald - wrong location from hungry customers that are all near hwy #3 businesses; Along 48th ave - would be ok but potential customers coming through town may not see them; Community center parking lot - wanted to rate it as ok but survey wouldn't let me. Food trucks would be visible to potential customers coming through town and would be very visible overall, but it could get congested with people which can be a turn off to some customers	Not Ken Mac
5	Jul 08 2017 06:56 PM	Food trucks still deserve customers and Ken McDonald is too far out of town.	Not Ken Mac
8	Jul 08 2017 02:17 PM	Ken Macdonald park is 2 far away	Not Ken Mac
13	Jul 07 2017 11:20 PM	Ken Macdonald would be a good idea when sporting events are being held there.	Not Ken Mac
14	Jul 07 2017 11:15 PM	Ken Mac is WAY out of the way for anyone to go to, and the civic parking lot isn't as esthetically pleasing as the park. Park also has places for people to sit and eat.	Not Ken Mac
16	Jul 07 2017 09:48 PM	ken mcdonald is too far away.	Not Ken Mac
29	Jul 07 2017 12:03 PM	Ken Macdonald would be totally unfair, they would lose a ton of business.	Not Ken Mac
33	Jul 06 2017 04:21 PM	People on short lunch breaks won't go out there to pick up food.	Not Ken Mac
39	Jul 06 2017 08:24 AM	Nothing out at KM Park so a good place for them.	Not Ken Mac
39	Jul 06 2017 08:24 AM	People have short lunch breaks, driving out to Ken Mc Donald is too far away.	Not Ken Mac
41	Jul 06 2017 08:13 AM	Ken Mac is too far out for people to go there and I wouldn't have time to drive out there and back and eat yet in half an hour	Not Ken Mac
46	Jul 05 2017 10:41 PM	Too far away if at Ken McDonald park for most people for lunch break. The other options are closer for most people for lunch breaks	Not Ken Mac
58	Jul 05 2017 05:08 PM	No one wants to drive out to Ken Mac for food.	Not Ken Mac
75	Jul 05 2017 03:02 PM	Ken mcdonald sports park is too out of the way.	Not Ken Mac
78	Jul 05 2017 02:58 PM	Ken Macdonald pars is to far for people to access the trucks	Not Ken Mac
83	Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM	Who wants to drive all the way out to Kenny mac? That's the worst spot you could have.	Not Ken Mac
86	Jul 05 2017 02:18 PM	Not everyone drives so I think having then out at ken MacDonald isn't a good idea	Not Ken Mac
89	Jul 05 2017 02:07 PM	too far out of the way for some people and not easily seen	Not Ken Mac

98	Jul 05 2017 12:45 PM	Ken Macdonald Sports Park is a terrible idea because there is no reason for people to travel their during lunch hours when there is nothing else out there. 48th Avenue by the Skate park and ball diamonds will inconvenience a lot of residents who already have limited parking in those areas. As well as users to the Town facilities are limited to street parking so where would they park if it was taken up by food trucks? The community Centre parking lot is the best idea out of the three only because it is near the downtown area, but what happens if an event is being held at the community centre and parking is disrupted? As well as many people working downtown now have to travel even farther to use the food trucks.	Not Ken Mac
99	Jul 05 2017 12:44 PM	The food trucks located downtown make for easy access to get lunch and visibility for consumers to support local business. It also attracts business to the downtown core. Ken McDonald would be a good option when there are sports events. I personally would not drive out to sports park.. inconvenient	Down Town, Not Ken Mac
101	Jul 05 2017 12:36 PM	Ball diamonds/skate park would be to congested	Not Ken Mac
102	Jul 05 2017 12:30 PM	Ken MacDonald is too far away. It kill the business.	Not Ken Mac
106	Jul 05 2017 12:22 PM	Ken McDonald is too far away	Not Ken Mac
107	Jul 05 2017 12:19 PM	Ken McDonald is just to far out of the way, I do agree they should be limited to some areas because they shouldn't be able to park right in front of another restaurant so by the park would be a great idea.	Not Ken Mac
113	Jul 05 2017 11:49 AM	Ken Macdonald is the worst idea ever. Talk about driving them out of business.if they are forced to stay put in one place then I think the other 2 are ok, easy to get to with parking and out of towners can find easy enough	Not Ken Mac
116	Jul 05 2017 11:22 AM	Ken MacDonald sports park is too far out of town. All the locations really take away the quick walk of being able to access a food truck.	Not Ken Mac
119	Jul 05 2017 11:17 AM	Ken Macdonald Sports Park is way too far away, people will have to drive to get there further filling up the parking lot and there's not much seating for customers.	Not Ken Mac
120	Jul 05 2017 11:16 AM	Ken mcdonalds to far to walk to in a lunch beak period. The other 2 locations are easily accessible to all.	Not Ken Mac
124	Jul 05 2017 11:03 AM	Ken MacDonald is too far out of town for foot traffic. It would be good to have them out there for events.	Not Ken Mac
124	Jul 05 2017 11:03 AM	Downtown by Confederation and at the Civic Centre is a great place.	
126	Jul 05 2017 10:52 AM	Community Centre- nice open area 48th Ave - would become congested Ken McDonald- too far away	Yes to Civic, Not Ken Mac
144	Jul 04 2017 01:52 PM	The sports park is a terrible idea because it is way out of the way of the downtown area. A lot of people who work downtown will go to grab lunch from these food trucks and it would defeat the purpose of them being so far away.	Not Ken Mac
134	Jul 05 2017 10:21 AM	I believe that you need to be able to make the business most accessible to all clients. Ken Macdonald park is to far out of the way.	Not Ken Mac
135	Jul 05 2017 10:16 AM	Centrally located is best for everyone. Way out in the boonies- BAD!	Not Ken Mac
12	Jul 08 2017 09:16 AM	If there has to be designated zones, at least give them a fair opportunity to do business, without jamming up traffic.	Other
24	Jul 07 2017 02:43 PM	Parking and traffic.	Other
26	Jul 07 2017 02:22 PM	Central to the businesses	Other
91	Jul 05 2017 01:40 PM	Because of parking and traffic	Other

Q7. Do you have any other suggestions of appropriate locations where a designated "food truck zone" should be?

Answered 105
Skipped 179

Respondents	Response Date	Responses	Categories
1	Jul 09 2017 11:47 PM	South side of 50th Ave between 48 St & 50 St	
2	Jul 09 2017 10:41 PM	I like the location by the cenotaph that some trucks are at. it is quick to get to. There is parking. And when I have more time, there are benches to sit and to eat and to visit at.	Cenotaph
11	Jul 07 2017 11:09 PM	Near cenotaph park	Cenotaph
25	Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM	By the memorial statue downtown its currently where i see most food truck and it works great good seating nice and shaded easy to walk to and lets me look over alot of other food locations!!! Make them by a pass for 1000\$ if people want them to pay more but dont punish people for doing something great!	Cenotaph
34	Jul 06 2017 06:09 AM	By the cenetaph	Cenotaph
91	Jul 05 2017 11:05 AM	I like the Cenotaph, but I know it is near various restaurant owners and would therefore probably not be considerate of them.	Cenotaph
37	Jul 05 2017 11:49 PM	Near the cenotaph is a good location. Also the old Safeway parking lot where the church is now.	Old Safeway, Cenotaph
63	Jul 05 2017 02:37 PM	Downtown at the cenotaph park.	Down Town, Cenotaph
40	Jul 05 2017 10:18 PM	Different zones downtown.	Down Town
49	Jul 05 2017 05:00 PM	I think perhaps we should consider restricted areas like other cities and town have set up. Like the downtown core but the trucks should be able to set up in the rest of the town within the distance guidelines to schools and such. Having the trucks set up in industrial, or at parks during events, would be great! Having them set up at Ken Mac during sporting events is a great idea but don't limit them just to that area.	Down Town
17	Jul 07 2017 05:06 PM	Downtown core	Down Town
62	Jul 05 2017 03:05 PM	Downtown core is a good location for access for local workers who may have a short lunch break.	Down Town
46	Jul 05 2017 06:02 PM	Downtown	Down Town
70	Jul 05 2017 01:35 PM	Downtown	Down Town
86	Jul 05 2017 11:22 AM	Downtown Taber	Down Town
101	Jul 04 2017 08:07 PM	Somewhere in the downtown area, why not something like the Legion parking lot?	Legion, Down Town
102	Jul 04 2017 04:21 PM	Highly visible locale. Downtown would be good. Brings people in to possibly shop or do other business. By cenataph is good location. Lots of traffic.	Down Town
90	Jul 05 2017 11:10 AM	50th avenue across from the old Dairy Queen	By Old Dairy Queen
28	Jul 06 2017 04:34 PM	By the old Dairy Queen	By Old Dairy Queen
3	Jul 09 2017 05:10 PM	Md park, by schools	Close to Schools, MD Park
104	Jul 04 2017 02:13 PM	Somewhere near the high schools when there are tournaments, etc.	Close to Schools
68	Jul 05 2017 02:18 PM	Over by the schools	Close to Schools
10	Jul 07 2017 11:24 PM	Industrial area Water park	Industrial
18	Jul 07 2017 04:07 PM	They should be allowed in the industrial areas. They could be allowed for special events near the schools if there are tournaments in town, but not necessarily just during school hours.	Industrial
21	Jul 07 2017 02:48 PM	Industrial areas and near all the factories. Medicine Hat has a hot dog vendor in the industrial area and they are swamped at lunch time.	Industrial
23	Jul 07 2017 02:41 PM	The industrial area	Industrial
24	Jul 07 2017 02:22 PM	No	Industrial
51	Jul 05 2017 04:44 PM	Allowing food trucks to park on private property (with the land owners permission) in the industrial area will provide more closely located lunch options to a large customer base.	Industrial
53	Jul 05 2017 04:28 PM	Some time in near industrial businesses would be great.	Industrial
60	Jul 05 2017 03:30 PM	Perhaps in the industrial area, not sure where.	Industrial
69	Jul 05 2017 02:15 PM	-Industrial area private property as long as the trucks have permission from property owner and they aren't affecting traffic. -near parks, as long as there is enough parking and they aren't blocking crosswalks or traffic.	Industrial
75	Jul 05 2017 12:54 PM	I think a few spots to choose from would better suit them. A place in the industrial area, a place down town and a place over by the town office, ball park, spray park area. Also allowing them to set up at events around town that may be out of the zoned areas.	Administration Building, Porposed Areas, Down Town, Industrial
80	Jul 05 2017 12:24 PM	Anywhere in the industrial area.	Industrial
100	Jul 05 2017 09:18 AM	Industrial area, and anywhere the truck can legally park that isn't directly interfering with another business or community event.	Industrial
41	Jul 05 2017 10:03 PM	Yah wherever they would like to go that makes it convenient for different groups to be able to partake ex:) western tractor or industrial area or walmart	Western Tractor, Industrial, Walmart
5	Jul 08 2017 10:00 PM	1. The north-east corner of Wal-Mart parking lot. It could be expanded and cleaned up and would be a great locarion for local patrons and potential customers passing through town.	Walmart
94	Jul 05 2017 10:38 AM	2. Maybe the vacant area across from Ace Learning Center. Same reason as #1. Walmart/Co-op parking lots	Co-op, Walmart
13	Jul 07 2017 09:48 PM	I think that they should be rotated through businesses such as home hardware, police station, Fire station, hospital. I feel like providing fresh options to such places is beneficial for all.	Fire Station, Hospital, Police Station, Home Hardware
52	Jul 05 2017 04:37 PM	47th ave at East end by police station	Police Station
16	Jul 07 2017 06:10 PM	New life church parking lot area, empty lot east of the big brick liquor store/gymnastics club.	New Life Church
67	Jul 05 2017 02:20 PM	The park across from the MCC thrift store, or new life church parking lot.	New Life Church
57	Jul 05 2017 04:04 PM	The Catholic Church parking lot on 50th where the BC fruit truck sets up.	Catholic Church on 50th

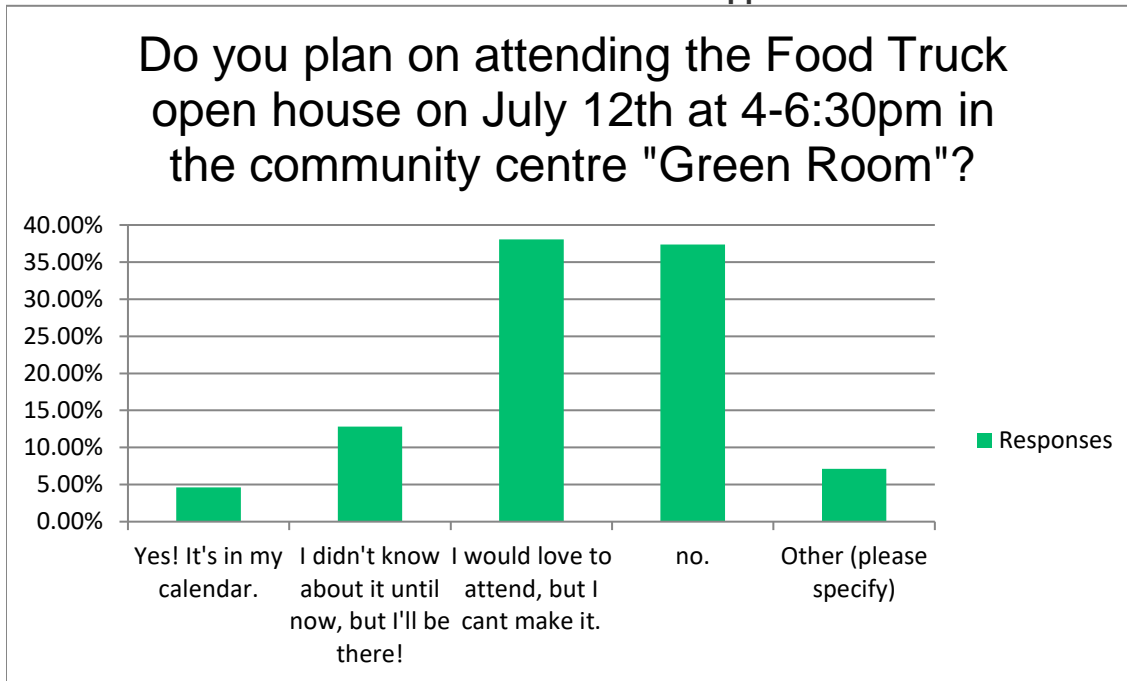
		Main street would be great. In hopes of creating a chain reaction of people grabbing a bite and going shopping because they are there! Thus helping main street businesses as well.	
29	Jul 06 2017 01:34 PM	Industrial area at lunch hour.	Main Street
43	Jul 05 2017 07:41 PM	Along 50th anywhere really the food trucks are great	Main Street
		We. Ould have more than one zone as the town may wish to have special food triuck zones at all of the above depending on the event being hosted at each site.	
54	Jul 05 2017 04:18 PM	As long as it's within town limits and central. Or more than 1 designated area to give the food trucks options and choice.	
64	Jul 05 2017 02:30 PM	Food trucks bring the Carnival feel, and most people understandably enjoys carnivals. And most people that want carnival goes to carnivals. Stampede never goes to 17AVE or near Chinook mall. My idea, is that if people want food trucks, we're in a small town, they can easily reach food trucks on scheduled few days per month, at the Ken Macdonald Sports Park or at the commercial areas at town skirts (Bowling alley perhaps, Near a school away from downtown, during Cornfest days, Somewhere near Kirks tire om Hwy 36, giving food trucks the chance to get hwy traffic business, and to provide staff at businesses that are further away from town to grab a bite if they are unable to drive or prefer to stay near by. One last thing, comparing Food trucks operation in cities like Calgary, Lethbridge & Med Hat to any small town like Taber isn't close enough to compare. Taking in consideration the volume of population is very drastic which plays a very big role in our topic along with the fact that we have 30+ food venues already in Taber that are trying to stay open for the town, leaving the food marketplace already a little bit over-flooded. Plus the new additions coming at the SE end of town.	
		We thank you verry much again for your time & efforts putting together these guidelines, meetings and threads in your attempt to reach a fair and reasonable results for the community & all businesses in Taber,	
73	Jul 05 2017 01:10 PM	I think for safety reasons, they should not be at schools unless for special events, at the request of the school. They shouldn't be located next to restaurants including fast food places.	
81	Jul 05 2017 12:23 PM	May I suggest a food truck at some of the smaller playgrounds throughtout Taber. Even a simple Ice Cream truck would be welcome.	
82	Jul 05 2017 12:06 PM	Close to public parks with picnic tables.	Parks
88	Jul 05 2017 11:17 AM	Empty lot by train tracks.	Parks
96	Jul 05 2017 10:24 AM	Where there is accessibility and lots of parking. It gets too congested around the cenotaph anywhere large amounts of people can gather and that is centrally located and safe.	empty lot by train tracks
97	Jul 05 2017 10:17 AM	No I feel confederation Park and the area over by the civic are great options.	
98	Jul 05 2017 10:16 AM	Highly agree with community centre!!!!	Porposed Areas
48	Jul 05 2017 05:23 PM	No. The zones listed above are what I would have suggested.	Porposed Areas
56	Jul 05 2017 04:09 PM	Allow these vehicles to operate wherever it is safe to do so.	Porposed Areas
95	Jul 05 2017 10:27 AM	Anywhere they get permission.	No Zones
103	Jul 04 2017 02:48 PM	Not at this time.	No Zones
4	Jul 09 2017 05:09 PM	Any where that is public. I am assuming the complaining business is [REDACTED] cause they complain about everything. Not the food truck fault their service is terrible.	No Zones
6	Jul 08 2017 03:27 PM	It should be an open policy	No Zones
7	Jul 08 2017 02:17 PM	Anywhere the public maybe in large groups.	No Zones
8	Jul 08 2017 08:18 AM	No, I prefer the current downtown location	No Zones
9	Jul 07 2017 11:34 PM	No, because they should be able to move around.	No Zones
12	Jul 07 2017 11:00 PM	No leave it as they are.	No Zones
14	Jul 07 2017 08:54 PM	Whereever they decide to park that day.	No Zones
15	Jul 07 2017 06:21 PM	No	No Zones
19	Jul 07 2017 03:36 PM	No	No Zones
20	Jul 07 2017 02:52 PM	Anywhere	No Zones
22	Jul 07 2017 02:43 PM	Nope	No Zones
26	Jul 07 2017 09:49 AM	Keep it the way it is. People will go to the food trucks no matter where they are located.	No Zones
27	Jul 07 2017 09:34 AM	I think things should remain the way they are. Free enterprise. People will choose to eat where they like regardless.	No Zones
30	Jul 06 2017 09:30 AM	Don't do one.	No Zones
31	Jul 06 2017 08:42 AM	Easy access without blocking main roads	No Zones
32	Jul 06 2017 08:20 AM	I do not see tradional restaurants serving people at soccer tournaments, and other recreational activities that occur in our community. Mobile vendors provide a unique atmosphere that builds community. One of the greatest things about our Hotdog days is the amount of visiting and socializing that happens in downtown. It is neat to see People from all walks of life mix and mingle over their lunch hour.	No Zones
33	Jul 06 2017 06:21 AM	It's a capital market. Stop trying to get in between competitive business and suggest to the complaining companies to improve their product to fix the situation.	No Zones
35	Jul 06 2017 12:57 AM	Don't have them OR see what other communities with food truck do to regulate them.	No Zones
36	Jul 05 2017 11:53 PM	Those places closer to the centre of town is the fairest.	No Zones
38	Jul 05 2017 11:08 PM	I do not agree with the concept of a "food truck zone". Food trucks have challenges re: competition.	No Zones
39	Jul 05 2017 10:41 PM	They should be allowed to park wherever there is green-space and/or people.	No Zones
42	Jul 05 2017 08:46 PM	Good proposals given	No Zones
44	Jul 05 2017 07:12 PM	Wherever the choose to park as long as they aren't obstructing traffic or events.	No Zones
45	Jul 05 2017 07:09 PM	I don't thing there should be designated zones	No Zones
47	Jul 05 2017 05:31 PM	People eat where there is good food. If that choice means a food truck, that's where they'll go, if it means a traditional restaurant, that's where they'll go. Competition is good for everyone.	No Zones
50	Jul 05 2017 04:48 PM	No, like restaurants, food trucks want th and foot and vehicle traffic, being located outside of the public eye defeats the purpose of owning a food truck.	No Zones
55	Jul 05 2017 04:15 PM		No Zones

		Absolutely everywhere. Events, anywhere that stimulates business and encourages business growth and adaptation to survive! Instead of eliminating competition, use it as competition to grow your business! Evolve and adapt!	No Zones
58	Jul 05 2017 03:49 PM		No Zones
59	Jul 05 2017 03:32 PM	No	No Zones
61	Jul 05 2017 03:08 PM	Doesn't need to be one in effect. The food trucks are a great idea and I wish there were more of them.	No Zones
65	Jul 05 2017 02:22 PM	Park wherever they want	No Zones
66	Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM	Shouldn't be one they should be allowed to park anywhere.	No Zones
71	Jul 05 2017 01:27 PM	Anywhere that there is ample parking	No Zones
72	Jul 05 2017 01:26 PM	No	No Zones
74	Jul 05 2017 12:55 PM	Public owned land	No Zones
76	Jul 05 2017 12:45 PM	I believe the way food trucks are designated now is appropriate and should not be changed.	No Zones
77	Jul 05 2017 12:44 PM	I believe food trucks should be allowed to park/operate in the same areas they are now and the inclusion of the civic center parking lot. We need to support all local businesses including food trucks. Where they park now is fine... People get tired of our local restaurants and something different down town takes people down there	No Zones
78	Jul 05 2017 12:36 PM	No. I do not believe that there should be a designated zone at all.	No Zones
79	Jul 05 2017 12:30 PM	NO!!! . I think making them stay put in one place is unfair to them and us. I want to see them at all Taber events. This town is getting so bad at dictating what we can do where we can go it's becoming ridiculous and making me want to move out of town.	No Zones
83	Jul 05 2017 11:49 AM	Nope	No Zones
84	Jul 05 2017 11:42 AM	Yeah, literally any other public area. Because it's public.	No Zones
85	Jul 05 2017 11:31 AM	No	No Zones
87	Jul 05 2017 11:18 AM	I don't think there should be a designated food truck zone, there should be some rules around food trucks but not designated zones!	No Zones
89	Jul 05 2017 11:11 AM	Don't agree with "zones". Any area that does not jeopardize public safety should be allowed.	No Zones
92	Jul 05 2017 10:41 AM	No	No Zones
93	Jul 05 2017 10:39 AM	Anywhere they want to park. I would much rather support any food truck owner than the creep who runs [REDACTED].	No Zones
99	Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM	No, I think they are fine parking where they park now.	No Zones
105	Jul 04 2017 01:52 PM		No Zones

Food Truck Survey

Do you plan on attending the Food Truck open house on July 12th at 4-6:30pm in the community centre "Green Room"?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes! It's in my calendar.	4.63%	13
I didn't know about it until now, but I'll be there!	12.81%	36
I would love to attend, but I cant make it.	38.08%	107
no.	37.37%	105
Other (please specify)	7.12%	20
	Answered	281
	Skipped	3



Q9. Based on the draft Food Truck Report, please add any additional comments here regarding food trucks in Taber.

Answered	102
Skipped	182

Respondents	Response Date	Responses
1	Jul 09 2017 10:41 PM	<p>Several are not trucks, just carts or trailers. It seems like some are out a lot more than others, which makes it hard to make general rules. If I was a traditional restaurant owner, having a food truck out once a week wouldn't be such a big deal. Having some out 2 and 3 times a week is a little different. Also, the smaller trailer/cart type ones seem to only be out in summer, not all year long. So they aren't competing all year long with the traditional restaurants.</p>
2	Jul 09 2017 05:09 PM	<p>It won't load for me, so I was unable to read it. The trucks park wherever they get permission in Lethbridge. Is our town council trying to receive more negative publicity? The Taber Times is going to love this... Why don't you do something about all the big trucks parked in and around the Walmart parking lot? Now that's a genuine issue.</p>
3	Jul 08 2017 10:00 PM	<p>No thanks.</p>
4	Jul 08 2017 03:27 PM	<p>Food trucks are modern, and provide trendy options for local consumers AND visiting guests. They are just plain fun. Consumers will still purchase from restaurants. However I will admit, the more business owners complain, the more I'm fueled to support the food trucks (and NOT the complaining restaurants). Competition is good for everyone - it ups everyone's game!</p>
5	Jul 08 2017 10:26 AM	<p>I have been a resident of Taber my whole life and have worked in the restaurant business for almost 20 years. I also am very supportive of the food truck owners in our community. Again healthy competition is not a negative thing, having the food trucks near a traditional restaurant should encourage the owners and managers of these establishments to go the extra mile to impress their customers and keep them returning, instead of complaining about others trying to make a go of their business. Variety is also an excellent, wanted, and needed addition to our community.</p>
6	Jul 08 2017 09:16 AM	<p>The food trucks are following the current regulations, just let them be. Most restaurant owners in this town have done a poor job in the past of enticing customers, so this is on them to step up their game.</p>

- Food trucks are a welcome change that specializes, and gives me other options, I'm willing to pay for what I like. Restaurant or food truck it doesn't matter. How many pizza joints are in Taber? Maybe we need more of those. Offer tax breaks to the business owners but don't penalize the food truck operators!
- 7 Jul 08 2017 12:03 AM
- They should be able to sell where ever they feel will be a good business opportunity.
- 8 Jul 07 2017 11:34 PM
- If the other restaurants don't feel it is fair to them, as this survey & open house infers. Isn't this what business choices & competition is all about? People will still choose what they feel like eating, on a day to day basis.
- Thank you for your time, and the opportunity to share my opinion!
- 9 Jul 07 2017 11:00 PM
- People need variety in their life. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are boring choices!!
- 10 Jul 07 2017 09:48 PM
- Food truck entrepreneurs made decisions as did traditional restaurant owners & shouldn't be punished due to someone whining about the competition.
- 11 Jul 07 2017 08:54 PM
- Food trucks give a variety of foods to our small town as well as support local business. They are not a chain restaurant and directly benefit current residents of our town. I think food trucks are a great idea and would even like to see more of them.
- 12 Jul 07 2017 06:10 PM
- Please keep them in taber it's no different than any other restaurant operating in town
- 13 Jul 07 2017 05:06 PM
- 1) I feel that they need to be inspected by Alberta health to make sure they meet food safety standards. 2) they should be inspected by the fire department to make sure they are not a safety risk. 3) I think there should be regulations on where they are parked when not in use.
- 14 Jul 07 2017 04:07 PM
- There is nothing wrong with competition. Dairy queen moved in next to boston pizza and you dont hear them complaining!
- 15 Jul 07 2017 03:36 PM
- If the local restaurants feel threatened by these seasonal businesses then maybe they need to step up and work on their business plans.
- 16 Jul 07 2017 02:52 PM
- Leave it as is if one or 2 business get annoyed thats there problem change your menu try marketing offer quick options. But dont hinder compositon for one just because the others are 2 lazy
- 17 Jul 07 2017 12:43 PM
- darwins theory of natural selection
- 18 Jul 07 2017 12:04 PM
- They're only out for a short season, and not even daily. Love the variety they add for selection.
- 19 Jul 07 2017 12:03 PM
- Let the food be free!
- 20 Jul 07 2017 09:49 AM

The food truck owners we have in this town are amazing people. They work hard at what they do and they serve the people well. Functions happen all over town, and if a food truck can be there to assist with great service and great food, let them be there! That's why they put it in a mobile truck!!

If the traditional restaurants are experiencing a decrease in sales and business, it's not because of the food trucks! It's because they need to kick it up a notch in either their menu options and/or service.

Don't kick the little guys if they are doing better than you. They shouldn't be penalized for the good service they provide.

21 Jul 07 2017 09:34 AM Competition is competition.

Just because [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] have mobile competitors on their front door. To bad. Maybe if they served better food and quicker service and not talk your ear off while you try and eat. Local business is important. But they need to change or adapt. If you move the trucks out of the down town core. People will just go to them and other businesses will suffer because the patrons may use other businesses besides the food trucks. Isn't it better to have more people in the down town core? Have you not looked down Main Street? It's dead!!! I was so impressed by all the people using the food trucks down town in the little park.

22 Jul 07 2017 03:12 AM Business 101.... change or adapt.

23 Jul 06 2017 04:40 PM Complaints from one restaurant shouldn't change anything

If the owner lives in Taber then he should have the same rights as other businesses. If coming in from out of town they need to pay a

24 Jul 06 2017 04:21 PM higher fee.

that is what is wrong with the town, new business cannot come

25 Jul 06 2017 04:12 PM here because the old ones complain, compete or close!

Please do not get too sticky with this. As food trucks are fun for a change and great for convenience. Many times I grabbed lunch

26 Jul 06 2017 01:34 PM from sandrellas in the industrial area and was satisfied!

They are SO good. Like i said in previous comments, it provides variety and change.

This makes me want to not go the restaurants in town.... we

27 Jul 06 2017 09:30 AM already have such little variety and not great restaurants.

28 Jul 06 2017 08:24 AM I love the food trucks. More variety of food.

The food trucks won't get that much business because of the choices you'd be willing to make. Food trucks are in existence because they are mobile and if you restrict where they can go, you've declined their mobility completely. If I owned a food truck and was forced to go somewhere I would just drive to Lethbridge, where they can just go on public land. If you put too many restrictions your food trucks are just gonna leave and go elsewhere. Competition is normal, and complaining isn't going to change it. We have fast food chains, home run restaurant and food trucks. All of them are competing. That's what the economy strives on. If the food trucks aren't around your still not going to necessarily get more business. Sometimes people want something different. Maybe, your food doesn't compare. It's competition. If you have a problem with it entirely then maybe you aren't cut out for the food industry. It's not fair that you should have the ability to dictate where a food truck can park. They have to do what is helps them out and in a not greedy way because they don't want to step on any toes. If your restaurant was so great, people would be lining up out the doors. Let the food Trucks be, because from what I understand, if your food and

29 Jul 06 2017 08:20 AM service was great, the food trucks wouldn't be an issue.

Food trucks give different pieces of culture our little community and we should have them around as much as possible.

30 Jul 06 2017 08:13 AM

We welcome businesses to the town of Taber. They are good for the economy and brings people to Taber. Eating at a food truck is a totally different way of eating that sitting in a restaurant and relaxing over food and conversation, and I would say that if I'm eating at a food truck it's because the food is delicious, the service is great, and I'm in a hurry. I wouldn't eat at a food truck with a group of friends - I would reserve that for a restaurant. I think it's great that we have people interesting in providing food truck service in our town. Healthy competition is good for all businesses, I would say if you're business is suffering because of the food trucks, you perhaps should look at your business and

31 Jul 06 2017 07:41 AM figure out what you can do to can improve it.

These people make Taber their home. Their ingenuity in starting a new business has overhead of its own, because they don't have a fixed building from which to work doesn't mean the expenses aren't there. Taber can certainly be a town of complainers, we should be supporting all business that choose to make Taber their home, spending their tax dollars here, supporting this community. The only thing designated zones will do is push Taber business out. It's a great thing to see happy people lined up waiting for great business. We should be excited for them, not catering to disgruntled businesses afraid to lose income only because their method of delivery changes. Food trucks rely on summer income, for that reason alone, that needs to be taken into consideration as

32 Jul 06 2017 06:05 AM well.

- 33 Jul 06 2017 04:22 AM [REDACTED] food truck owner is actually really rude and needs to learn manners.
- A complex and challenging issue. Our Hot Dog cart has been a great way to teach our children a work ethic, and some entrepreneurial skills that will help them in life. 8 or 9 days out of the whole year is a tiny amount of time. We have a very faithful following that come to support our kids in this endeavour and most likely will come to any location to support our kids. Our biggest concern would be for the town to make fees so expensive that it would make it impossible for us to keep things profitable and worthwhile.
- 34 Jul 06 2017 12:57 AM
- This town is void of good meal options except the summer months. Even then it isn't great. I love supporting local businesses as much as possible and purchase lunch every day from businesses in town. I would love to see more food trucks and restaurants open in Taber serving high quality food.
- 35 Jul 05 2017 11:53 PM
- Don't restrict the food trucks. Taber has enough problems to deal with without making stupid rules about food trucks. They offer different options and are fast. Great for a lunch break. And they're only open occasionally for part of the year. Be smart. The public wants them. If you want to make it easier for traditional business owners in town, take a look at the pricing and rental of property and space. That would actually be worth your time.
- 36 Jul 05 2017 11:49 PM
- This is ridiculous. You can move the trucks across town and they will still keep their customers. They are busy because they sell quality food at a decent price.
- 37 Jul 05 2017 11:18 PM
- I feel for the brick and mortar restaurant owners. I get their point of view for sure! But I also like the idea of food trucks. Thanks for trying to consider both sides.
- 38 Jul 05 2017 11:14 PM
- I love the food trucks in Taber! What a cool thing to have for our community. It gives us a cool vibe. Maybe the complaining restaurant owners should chill...
- 39 Jul 05 2017 11:08 PM
- I love the food trucks. Also I should have the option to purchase my food from them or not. When the other business owners begin to complain about it I am less likely to frequent their business. The food trucks only operate part of the year. It is a treat for the customers.
- 40 Jul 05 2017 10:41 PM

I feel like having food trucks in our little town offers an opportunity for entrepreneurship during summer season. They have a very small window of time to operate. They pay their business licence fees and have followed all the town rules. Let them be!

41 Jul 05 2017 10:03 PM The food trucks also gives Taber a little taste of what other cities have been doing for awhile. It's nice to see and gives people a chance to enjoy what they may have missed out on if they (food trucks) weren't around. Sometimes we spend too much time trying to make too many rules. They don't operate every day and only for a short time. They can't possibly make that big of a difference to the restaurants. They sound a bit whiney to me.

42 Jul 05 2017 09:25 PM The food trucks are awesome. Bring variety to Taber

43 Jul 05 2017 07:41 PM Food trucks are great for Taber and add some competition for good prices and better food!

44 Jul 05 2017 07:09 PM Let's not kill any more business ideas with further restrictions. If this is how we will be handling competition, then we also need to increase Walmart taxes 100 fold, as having it here has literally closed many businesses in town over the years. It's all or none, and I for one encourage competition to make consumer choices and experiences better.

45 Jul 05 2017 07:05 PM Food trucks are a great addition to the eating options in our community.

46 Jul 05 2017 05:48 PM Let them continue business as usual .. it's seasonal and so many of us look forward to it . If they pay licensing fees too what should it matter ! Don't scare them away from servicing an already hurt downtown core. These trucks bring people out and about to potentially be customers to other surrounding businesses. Sad others can't mind their own business

47 Jul 05 2017 05:23 PM I say the restaurant owners need to quit boo hooing, competition is good. And if they didn't charge such egregious over inflated prices people would choose them over the food truck. Also, buying food from the food truck and trying something new never hurt anyone. It's a fun option on a hot summer day... Maybe the restaurant owners need to put out their own food trucks and do fast food outside... And quit acting like babies... Life isn't fair suck it up... I feel punishing the food truck owners on behalf of the restaurant owners is simply not fair and should not be allowed.

48 Jul 05 2017 05:08 PM It would be nice to see food trucks out on a more regular basis instead of having to guess.

I love the diversity that food trucks bring to our town and being to support small business' and not a food chain. I think the guidelines being proposed are a good start. I believe they should be able to park at their house, just like people who own huge trailers. I understand that parking is a concern but I believe that where the food trucks have been set up are good places. They take parking into consideration too and I've never seen any

49 Jul 05 2017 05:00 PM problems.

If 'Traditional' restaurants are concerned about competition from food trucks, maybe they should have better food.

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Food trucks are a great incubator for business. It allows business owners to test out their business model and start small, when the funds are available they may choose to upgrade to a brick and mortar location. We should foster this growth rather than inhibit it. 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 to take on.

Food truck operators have simply chosen a business model that is different from a traditional restaurant. Both have their pros and cons and neither should be punished for it. There are overhead costs to both such as vehicle maintenance costs vs. building maintenance costs, gasoline/diesel/etc. vs. traditional utilities and both must cover the costs for their ingredients, appliances, and labour. Additionally, food trucks must plan ahead where they will be located and may need to compete for a popular space, they rely on customers knowing where they are located on a particular day. Customers always know where a traditional restaurant is located and have a general idea of what hours they operate making them a guarantee. The permanent location of a traditional restaurant also provides more exposure which could be considered a perk of paying the property taxes for a brick and mortar location. Food trucks cannot provide a sit down meal away from the heat and not all traditional restaurants can provide food in a timely manner for someone on a half hour lunch break. People may choose a food truck because it is trendy but it is likely because they like the food, have heard good things, or are supporting a business with good customer service, just as many will choose a traditional restaurant for the same reasons. Competition is healthy and welcome in Taber it pushes businesses to be their best, providing excellent customer service and encouraging businesses to earn return visitors which is a

51 Jul 05 2017 04:44 PM positive for tourism as well as residents of Taber.

Options are what the people want. Having these food trucks around, opens the door to people coming to the downtown area who would normally have gone somewhere else. Possibly

52 Jul 05 2017 04:32 PM spending money in other businesses while they are there.

- 53 Jul 05 2017 04:28 PM I find the Food Trucks here only cater to the down town core and would like to see them move around a bit, allows different customers access as well as does not hinder just a couple of businesses as not all businesses will see a Food Truck being parked outside as a positive thing.
- 54 Jul 05 2017 04:18 PM Food trucks are a great way to enhance breadth of options and allows summer diversity to come to town. It would be a shame to eliminate them altogether, but I understand that the playong field should not be in their favour as opposed to permanent restaurants.
- 55 Jul 05 2017 04:09 PM They deserve to be able to be seen when driving down the road just like any other restaurant. If they are out of sight they are out of mind. The food trucks offer different types of food and are sometimes more accessible during the lunch rush. If other buisnesses cannot keep customers in their seats it is not because of the food trucks.
- 56 Jul 05 2017 04:04 PM Food trucks and other food stands () should be limited to set up on pavement or concrete and not set up on the grass.
- 57 Jul 05 2017 03:49 PM I feel like food trucks have opened a door in the market providing jobs, and capturing business much needed in our local economy. Local restaurants should see that change is invited in the food industry and should, like any other industry, take this opportunity to follow current trends. Adapting to this will allow for market share to shift. Food trucks are proving that!
- 58 Jul 05 2017 03:33 PM Have not read.
- 59 Jul 05 2017 03:32 PM The food trucks I have used have all been good with no issues. These guys offer excellent food at great prices. If businesses are having an issue it's because the food trucks are better
- 60 Jul 05 2017 03:28 PM What about where they park when not in use. They should not be parked in a residential area just like semi's.
- 61 Jul 05 2017 03:08 PM If the current brick and mortar don't like the food trucks, they're welcome to develop new items/features/discounts to compete. Food trucks are some of the best ideas in this town. The complaint of the brick and mortar restaurants make them sound like whiners.
- 62 Jul 05 2017 03:05 PM I think food trucks are a terrific and unique addition to local business and should be supported by the Town.
- 63 Jul 05 2017 02:52 PM Where do the trucks park at night? Do they have their own garbage and recycling? Is there a liquor option?

The food trucks are a welcome change to the static food options for lunch time dining. Most of the fixed location restaurants can not offer a reasonably priced meal that can be served and consumed in a 30 min lunch break. In cities across Canada and the US, the food truck fad is in full swing. Taber is small and our restaurant choices are limited, putting in regulations will just discourage these new/future businesses from choosing Taber as a possible location to do business. Harming the town and residents who are always looking for new food and services. Keeping a relationship with food trucks is important as they also service special events such as the fundraisers at Walmart, and Cornfest (to name two). If these food trucks find calmer waters in Lethbridge that already has the advantage of a higher population, what are the chances they will pick Cornfest over Whoop Up Days if they regularly do business in Lethbridge? The down town of Taber is looking more and more empty, we should be talking about lowering barriers to entry for businesses, not raising them.

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Food trucks are great for the community. Some of the best food in town comes from the trucks! It would be nice to see more.

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I don't understand why traditional establishments are complaining. Anyone can open up a restaurant and be competing for existing establishments. Yes food trucks have small overhead, but they also don't operate for as many hours in a day or are even open every day, so in my opinion, it balances out. When choosing whether or not to go out and eat vs. Eating at home, I don't choose between food truck or traditional establishment, I choose based on what I'm feeling to eat at that particular moment. The food trucks for the most part aren't even selling the same stuff as

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traditional establishments.

I think that the complaining restaurants should not worry about the food trucks. They are only around for a few months of the year, a few days of the week. It's not a permanent competition.

67 Jul 05 2017 02:22 PM

They are only out at lunch, and not out every day so how much is it really hurting other businesses. I enjoy the variety we don't have much of that in town! It's nice to have things like that at sports

68 Jul 05 2017 02:21 PM

events as well like soccer and baseball!

I love the option of food trucks in taber and I believe that we should encourage other food trucks to come to town or start up as well. They bring some variety and culture to our downtown. By limiting where the food trucks can do business we could lose out on the benefits they bring to our small town. I have always had a great experience with the food trucks that are

69 Jul 05 2017 02:20 PM

currently in town and their ingenuity should be applauded.

Food trucks have every right to operate in Taber, just like other businesses. As someone who likes the modern feel food trucks bring, it's nice to see a smaller centre like Taber get these cool businesses. Please don't push them out because one restaurant owner doesn't have enough business sense to realize he's in a competitive industry. Forcing restrictive zoning and business licenses and prices on the food trucks will choke them out of town completely, and that would be very sad.

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Food trucks put a new spin on a traditional way of doing things. Something this town prides itself on with things like the new garbage/recycling bins. We should encourage them to thrive, not try to restrict

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I love them and think they add a great alternate choice for patrons.

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Keep the food trucks, don't drive away more business than you already have!

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A scheduled 2-3 days per month between vendors would be reasonable. Avoiding Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays if possible as Many traditional restaurants rely on these days to make up for the business week.

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Local businesses that are brick and mortar have yes higher overhead cost, but that does not give them the right to restrict the public to go to there establishment. Food truck opperater's offer variety and healthier choice.

If you go after the food trucks do you include vender booths setup selling corn, or the Purple Cow that has been in the same location for years.

This is a bad idea from the Town administration to even consider. The businesses that are complaining need to be more competitive and look at what they are offering.

The owners of this food truck work hard at their business and many have secondary jobs.

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I can see why business are having a hard time with this. That being said as a consumer it is so nice to have something different for a change as we support the permanent businesses all fall and

76 Jul 05 2017 12:54 PM winter.

- I believe Taber is an open market and food trucks create healthy competition with all business owners throughout Taber, not just those downtown. I believe business owners downtown are complaining because they cannot meet the demand the public wants from restaurants, majority of people have short breaks 30-45 minutes to have food and eat it too, and majority of sit down restaurants cannot meet that demand which is why people like me use food trucks or other quick food locations.
- 77 Jul 05 2017 12:45 PM
- We need to stop trying to drive away new business in the town. These food trucks make our town have unique and different food choices and help to keep our shopping local and bring in business.
- 78 Jul 05 2017 12:44 PM
- Leave as is...if people want their food, or local restaurants food they will make the choice
- 79 Jul 05 2017 12:36 PM
- I think that Food and Fire Safety are main component of running a food truck. They should also have the same licensing requirements of any other food establishment. For special requests (family reunions for example) they could go into residential areas at the permission of the homeowner and a special licensing fee (which they can charge to the customer if needed).
- 80 Jul 05 2017 12:23 PM
- I understand some of the frustrations of traditional restaurant owners, but heavily regulating food trucks kind of destroys their purpose. I enjoy seeing the trucks around town and believe they create a great atmosphere.
- 81 Jul 05 2017 12:17 PM
- I feel that we are being dictated to by a few businesses in town who are losing business. I don't feel it's because the food trucks are in town for a few day a week for three or four months of the year. I feel it's because of their bad service there bad food and their attitudes. Why must the minority always win over the majority, talk about unfair.
- 82 Jul 05 2017 11:49 AM
- Food trucks are amazing. Lethbridge had plenty of them and it's a nice change from buying the same old food from places like [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
- 83 Jul 05 2017 11:47 AM
- Keep food trucks located downtown.
- 84 Jul 05 2017 11:22 AM
- Taber has no restaurants other than fast food. Basically you have [REDACTED] or the [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is horrible. Food trucks give us more options. If you run a restaurant in town and are worried about the food trucks maybe run a better restaurant.
- 85 Jul 05 2017 11:18 AM
- They are great!
- 86 Jul 05 2017 11:16 AM

87 Jul 05 2017 11:11 AM It is a shame it has come to this

88 Jul 05 2017 11:10 AM Leave it as is, the food trucks in the downtown core are largely becoming the heart of the community.

89 Jul 05 2017 11:05 AM I think the food trucks in Taber are great, it would be awesome to see more on a consistent basis.

90 Jul 05 2017 11:02 AM i am excited about food trucks in our community. It is known that in many cases the best food comes from food trucks because the people really love what they do. It allows my family to experience different cuisines. I feel that if traditional restaurants don't like the competition, it just means it is time to step up their game, in quality and service. The service and quality in some Taber restaurants is lacking.

91 Jul 05 2017 10:47 AM I think they are a unique and interesting addition to the options in Taber. In my experience, operators have consistently produced high quality foods and a great customer service experience.

92 Jul 05 2017 10:39 AM Think about why we don't let mobile home trailers park around the town.....no tax revenue...traffic problems...clean water limits....

93 Jul 05 2017 10:31 AM Love the food trucks. They are only open in the summer. Get rid of a few of our many pizza places. THAT is excessive and more competition to eachother than a few food trucks 3 months out of the year. Don't ruin the little fun taber is allowed to have

94 Jul 05 2017 10:27 AM Nothing

95 Jul 05 2017 10:24 AM Instead of angle parking, have them parallel park so you can see by them - if they are in normal parking areas.

96 Jul 05 2017 10:16 AM roast to the businesses that are complaining. It's called competition. Put your big girl panties on and wipe off the tears buttercup.

97 Jul 05 2017 10:14 AM With the limited dining options in Taber food trucks should be allowed to continue to operate as they have been.

98 Jul 05 2017 09:18 AM Please don't over-regulate any business. Find a happy compromise.

99 Jul 04 2017 08:07 PM Competition is healthy.

100 Jul 04 2017 04:21 PM Great idea. Need to be highly visible for residents and tourists alike. Great concept. Makes for vibrant community. Restaurants perform different service. Shouldn't take from food trucks if their product is good.

101 Jul 04 2017 02:48 PM Instead of cowering to local business afraid of competition, create an environment where they are encouraged to improve their product or service. This is Alberta. We love that kind of thing, don't we?

102 Jul 04 2017 02:13 PM These are a wonderful addition to our town and bring people out and together. Often, I won't make a trip downtown just for lunch but if a good food truck is out, I may stop to eat and then stay downtown for other things (groceries, etc)