

GENERAL FACT SHEET

09-34

BILL NUMBER

BRIEF TITLE

LMC 8.20 Lincoln Food Code
Update: Food Handler permits

APPROVAL DEADLINE

REASON

To provide new categories for food handler permits,
update language, and reorganize the Lincoln Food
Code.

DETAILS

POSITIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

<p>In order to improve Lincoln's Food Handler Permit program, the Health Department proposes to revise the Lincoln Food Code. The Lincoln Food Code has not been updated in several years and needs to be revised to reflect recent changes in the State Food Code, clean up outdated language, and reorganize the ordinance for clarity. The proposed changes have been carefully reviewed by the Lincoln Food Advisory Committee and the Board of Health – both support the changes. The changes will better meet the needs of the food industry. The new Food Handler Permit categories will be based on tasks that food handlers perform, making it easier to determine which permit an employee needs. Food Handler Permits will be good for two years instead of one, reducing how often food handlers have to update their permit. A two year permit will cost \$20.</p>	<p>Sponsor</p>	<p>Board of Health</p>
	<p>Program Departments, or Groups Affected</p>	<p>All automated departments</p>
	<p>Applicants/ Proponents</p>	<p>Applicant Health Department City Department Health Other Board of Health & Lincoln Food Advisory Committee</p>
<p>Discussion (Including Relationship to other Council Actions) The City of Lincoln has had requirements for food handler training, testing, and permits for many years. Training food handlers in safe food handling, good hygiene, and food temperature danger zones reduces the risk of foodborne illness from Lincoln food establishments and the spread of disease in our community as a whole. The food handler program is 100% fee funded.</p>	<p>Opponents</p>	<p>Groups or Individuals None identified Basis of Opposition</p>
	<p>Staff Recommendations</p>	<p>X For <input type="checkbox"/> Against Reason Against</p>
	<p>Board or Commission Recommendation</p>	<p>BY Board of Health X For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> No Action Taken <input type="checkbox"/> For with revisions or conditions (See Details column for conditions)</p>
	<p>CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS (For Council Use Only)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Pass (As Amended) <input type="checkbox"/> Council Sub. <input type="checkbox"/> Without Recommendation <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Do not Pass</p>

DETAILS

POLICY/PROGRAM IMPACT

	POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <u>Permits will be good for two years instead of one year for most food handlers.</u> _____ _____
	OPERATIONAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT	<u>Minmal impact.</u> _____ _____
FINANCES		
	COST AND REVENUE PROJECTIONS	COST of total project: \$ 0 COST of this Ordinance/ Resolution \$ 0 <hr/> RELATED annual operating Costs \$ 0 <hr/> INCREASE REVENUE EXPECTED/YEAR \$ 0
	SOURCE OF FUNDS	CITY [Approximately] _____ \$ _____ % _____ \$ _____ % _____ \$ _____ % NON CITY [Approximately] _____ \$ _____ % _____ \$ _____ % _____ \$ _____ %
	BENEFIT COST	<input type="checkbox"/> Front Foot <input type="checkbox"/> Square Foot \$ _____ Average Assessment \$ _____

APPLICABLE DATES:

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REVIEW BY:

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