

**RESOLUTION NO. 20150402-015**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin continuously seeks to protect and improve the quality of life of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin is committed to safeguarding the public's health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, smoke emissions from restaurants and mobile food vendors are not currently regulated by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Austin is committed to finding reasonable solutions to quality of life issues that balance the interests of residents and business owners;  
**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

Council initiates a possible amendment to the City Code to address smoke from cookers, restaurants, and trucks and their impact on residences. Provisions to be considered shall include, but not be limited to, requiring restaurants and mobile food vendors that (1) utilize a wood or charcoal burning stove or grill and (2) are located within 100 feet of the nearest property line of a property zoned as residential base district or property used for a residential use, to take appropriate action to mitigate the impact of smoke emissions on the health and quality of life of surrounding residents by relocating smoke-emitting equipment to exceed the aforementioned distance or installing smoke-mitigating devices.

This requirement should exclude any restaurants and mobile food vendors that burn supplemental wood chips and chunks in stove-top box smokers using gas-powered stoves or grills that do not generate a significant amount of smoke.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

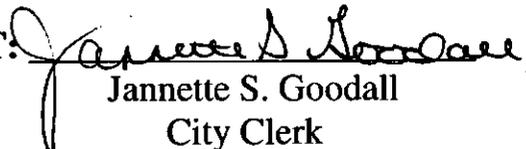
The City Manager is directed to initiate a stakeholder input gathering process to provide an opportunity for affected residents, business owners, and other stakeholders to provide recommendations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Manager is directed to present recommendations consistent with this resolution to the Economic Opportunities and Health and Human Services Committees for consideration no later than July 31, 2015.

**ADOPTED:** April 2, 2015

**ATTEST:**

  
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk