

Hi Vija,

I have proposed a definition for "Food Truck" be created (Item Attached). It is actually on the Agenda for the next PC Meeting on August 13th. (All on Zoom)

<https://www.hainesalaska.gov/pc/planning-commission-52>

I am going to post your comment as supplemental to this Item on the agenda. It may benefit you to join the Zoom meeting and express your concern on the topic as well.

In my short experience at the Borough there is a lot of confusion coming from the business owners like yourself, and the staff at the borough on the proper process to permit a food truck. We are currently permitting Food trucks as "Commercial Light."

I understand the confusion. That's why a discussion on Food Trucks is clearly needed and intended to smooth out the process and include discussion on the use of multiple locations.

Thank you for your patience and I appreciate your insight.

Libby

From: Vija <vija.pelekis@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 6, 2020 10:55 AM

To: Libby Jacobson <ljacobson@haines.ak.us>

Subject: Fwd: Food Truck: Temporary Use Permit Requirement Fulfilled

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Hey Libby,

I got the message about the 15 ft setback and I will comply. In the meantime, here's the email from Holly Smith about how borough code states that "any temporary structure that does not exceed 120 ft² does NOT required a permit." I am happy to comply with whatever the borough wants but if I could find a simpler way to operate the food truck that would be great. Like paying a once annual fee that allows me to move around. Also, I really want to set up at the farmers market and I have permission from the Fair.

thanks for working with me,

Vija

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From: Holly Smith <hsmith@haines.ak.us>

Date: Friday, June 14, 2019

Subject: Food Truck: Temporary Use Permit Requirement Fulfilled

To: "vija.pelekis@gmail.com" <vija.pelekis@gmail.com>

Cc: "heather@portchilkootdistillery.com" <heather@portchilkootdistillery.com>

Vija:

Please keep this email for your records.

You have inquired about whether or not a land use or conditional use permit is required for your food truck in the Significant Structures Area zone at the Chilkoot Distillery property (Parcel ID C-PTC-0D-03A0). From our conversation, I understand that your truck is 6.5 ft x 17 ft (110 ft²). You have also indicated that it's around 140 ft² on the exterior. However, for this particular case, I am only considering the interior as the space encompassed by the exterior walls (wall, bearing or nonbearing, that is used as an enclosing wall for a building). So this excludes the engine of the vehicle or other exterior components of a vehicle.

Normally, temporary structures are a conditional use in the Significant Structures Area. However, stated in Haines Borough Code 18.20.020 for the definition of "accessory use", any temporary structure that does not exceed 120 ft² does NOT require a permit.

Therefore, I bid a happy and successful food trucking experience.
Let me know if you have any other questions.
Cheers.

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