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Mobile food vendors can be found throughout the City in high density commercial areas, as well as residential areas. These vendors are currently regulated by the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.73, which states that the vehicles shall not violate stopping, standing or parking prohibitions or restrictions either shown by signs or curb markings or as otherwise provided by the State Vehicle Code or the health, safety, fire, traffic, business or other regulations set forth in the LAMC.

Unfortunately, there have been an increasing number of traffic accidents related to food truck vendors who flagrantly disregard posted parking restrictions. These vendors accept a daily parking citation as a cost of doing business and refuse to relocate their vehicles to legal and appropriate locations.

Two recent traffic collisions have occurred on Bundy Avenue between Sunset Boulevard and San Vicente Boulevard because an oversize vehicle blocked the view of motorists. One collision occurred directly in front of a parking restriction sign that prohibits oversize vehicle parking. The City's current policy to issue only one parking citation per violation per day is clearly insufficient to change the illegal and dangerous behavior of some mobile food truck operators.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council direct the Department of Transportation, working with the City Attorney, to report on the current policy related to limiting the issuance of parking citations to one violation per vehicle per day, including the feasibility of implementing a graduated citation fine schedule.

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