In an effort to protect public health and safety, Federal, State, and local governments have declared a State of Emergency. With those declarations, various directives have been put in place at the local level aimed at reducing the risk of exposure and mitigating the spread of the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). In keeping with the intent of the aforementioned policies, it is necessary to impose a temporary moratorium on street vending in the public right of way to protect Angelenos from the novel Coronavirus pandemic.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Council determine, as provided in Government Code section 54954.2(b)(2), and pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules of the City Council, that there is a need to take immediate action on this matter and that the need for action came to the attention of the City subsequent to the posting of the agenda for today's Council meeting.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council urge the Bureau of Street Services immediately to start enforcing its rules and regulations that prohibit street vending for food vendors who do not possess a valid health permit for the length of the current local emergency.

I FURTHER MOVE the Los Angeles Police Department and the Bureau of Street Services operate in cooperation with the LA County Department of Public Health to establish protocols to effectively enforce the health code.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Department and the Bureau of Street Services be authorized to enforce any and all health codes regarding the safe handling and sale of food in the public right of way.

PRESENTED BY: MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY: 

(SEE COUNCIL FILE NO. 20-0147-527)
AMENDING MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that Council AMEND the Substitute Motion 72V (Rodriguez - Lee) to add the following two recommendations:

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department and the Bureau of Street Services to report back to the Economic Development Committee on the feasibility of refunding the entire amount to those who have applied for permits and paid the permits for street vending. [Motion (Huizar – Rodriguez)]

2. INSTRUCT Streets LA to utilize existing contractors to develop outreach and education plans and materials to ensure vendors are using proper food handling and hygiene practices. [Motion (Price – Rodriguez)]

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