

**MEETING MINUTES  
HAMILTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
REFRESHMENT TRUCKS BY-LAW MEETING**

**When: MAY 31, 2012**

**Where: Waterfront Centre – 3:00 p.m.**

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1. David Adames welcomed all attendees and discussed the reason for calling this meeting and called upon Al Fletcher from the City of Hamilton to go over what a by-law can do.

2. Al Fletcher

What a by-law is used for;

- Health and safety for the public
- Nuisance issues to the public
- Consumer protection

3. David Adames then opened up discussion to the group of attendees to ask questions or raise any concerns.

Questions and concerns raised;

- Washrooms – bricks and mortar with more than 9 seats must provide a restroom, what about food trucks?
- Garbage – who is responsible for picking up and keeping the street clean
- 100 meters from any store event variety stores made it almost impossible for food trucks and it came with a price at some locations when permission was given by a restaurant
- How is the 20 meters going to be measured?
- Signage – can the food trucks put signage out on the sidewalk and if so why can't restaurants?
- How often can food trucks come to the same spot?
- Who will regulate and how?
- Anti-idling by-law?

Some suggestions that came out of meeting;

- Creating a fee structure for a permanent parking spot
- Calendar – create a calendar for days a food truck can use spots and then a bid can be done on the vacant days
- Work with local BIA's to find spots that work for both Restaurants and Food Trucks
- Try to stay away from areas close to the Hospitals and streets with narrow sidewalks

- Public Works to look at Parks and food trucks, may use same Calendar and bid process. Still keep the same by-law in regards to schools
- City can do an update in 1 year to see how things are working out
- Create a focus group to work out the finer details after the by-law is passed

4. David Adames thanked everyone and discussed next steps;

- As per one of the above suggestions a discussion/focus group was created.
- If any other questions or concerns are raised please contact us.

#### 5. Focus Group List of Interested Attendees

- Leo Santos, Papa Leos
- Steve Deighton, Sweetness Bakery, [steve@gobeeinc.com](mailto:steve@gobeeinc.com)
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