

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE,
CALIFORNIA, FORMALIZING THE CONVERSION OF THE FOOD DISTRICT AD HOC
COMMITTEE AND THE BREWERY DISTRICT AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE INTO
STANDING COMMITTEES AND ESTABLISHING THEIR ADVISORY ROLE AND
REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT**

WHEREAS, the City of Commerce is committed to fostering economic development, enhancing quality of life, and creating vibrant destinations for residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously established two Ad Hoc Subcommittees to explore the feasibility and development of designated Food and Brewery Districts to activate underutilized areas and promote culinary and craft beverage enterprises; and

WHEREAS, these Ad Hoc Subcommittees were created to provide focused exploration and policy recommendations related to zoning, development standards, incentives, and overall strategy for proposed districts; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2025, the City Council approved the conversion of the Food and Brewery Ad Hoc Subcommittees into formal Standing Committees composed of three Council Members each, to enhance transparency, ensure continuity, and allow for ongoing public engagement; and

WHEREAS, Standing Committees are subject to the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code §54950 et seq.), including open meetings, public notice, and opportunities for public comment; and

WHEREAS, while the Standing Committees shall continue to function in an advisory capacity only, all final decisions and actions on related matters shall be made by the City Council as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Commerce hereby finds and declares that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporates them herein as findings and a substantive part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby formalizes the conversion of the two previously established Food District Ad Hoc Committee and the Brewery District Ad Hoc Subcommittee into official Standing Committees of the City Council, to be known respectively as the Food District Standing Committee and the Brewery District Standing Committee.

SECTION 3. Each Standing Committee shall consist of three members of the City Council, as previously appointed by a majority vote of the Council. The City Manager or their

designee shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio member to provide staff support and coordination.

SECTION 4. The purpose of each Standing Committee shall be to support, guide, and advise on the development of designated Food and Brewery Districts by:

- Collaborating with City staff, consultants, and stakeholders;
- Evaluating district feasibility and potential locations;
- Reviewing applicable zoning, development standards, and design guidelines;
- Identifying economic incentives, marketing strategies, and implementation tools;
- Providing recommendations to the City Council for future consideration and action.

SECTION 5. As Standing Committees, these bodies shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act, including:

- Publicly noticed meetings and agendas posted at least 72 hours in advance;
- Meetings open to the public with opportunities for public comment;
- Maintenance of accurate minutes and compliance with quorum requirements;
- Adherence to conflict of interest laws under the Political Reform Act.

SECTION 6. The Food District and Brewery District Standing Committees shall function solely in an advisory capacity. All final decisions on recommendations made by the committees shall be made by the full City Council in duly noticed public meetings.

SECTION 7. The Mayor is authorized to execute this Resolution on behalf of the City of Commerce.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and ensure that a copy is kept on file for public inspection.

SECTION 9. This Resolution shall take full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 27th day of May, 2025, by the City Council of the City of Commerce, California.

Ivan Altamirano, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lena Shumway
City Clerk

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