

JANUARY 28, 2020

MICROENTERPRISE HOME KITCHEN OPERATIONS

AB 626: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

AB 377: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- Receive and file a report on current food facility health permits and options related to Microenterprise Home Kitchens (AB 626 and AB 377).
- Provide one of the following policy directions with regard to implementing a Microenterprise Home Kitchen permitting program:
 - Direct staff to prepare amendments to the Santa Barbara County Code authorizing Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations to be permitted as food facilities in the county and return to the Board for further consideration; or
 - Direct staff to take no further action at this time.
- Determine that the proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) as they are administrative actions that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment.

SUMMARY

- Allows for small-scale, direct food sales to consumers from home-based food facilities;
- Administered and implemented by Environmental Health Services;
- Commercial zoning & building code exemptions;
- Modifications to equipment and standards;
- Is an opt-in bill for counties;
- City participation is determined by county's decision.

POLICY DIRECTION

- Shall Environmental Health Services seek an ordinance from Board of Supervisors regarding Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations (MEHKO) within Santa Barbara County?

OPTIONS

- Option 1: Do not authorize Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations in Santa Barbara County;
- Option 2: Authorize Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operations in Santa Barbara County, which would include all areas within its jurisdiction, including all cities within the county.



OPTION 1: DO NOT OPT IN

Pros

- Simple implementation
- No additional impact on residential neighborhoods

Cons

- Limits access to home-based entrepreneurship
- Enforcement challenges



OPTION 2: OPT IN

Pros

- Increased entrepreneurship opportunities
- Uniform food safety practices within county
- Pathway to compliance for existing unpermitted home operations

Cons

- Cities will have no decision-making power with county opt-in decision
- Potential impacts to residential neighborhoods

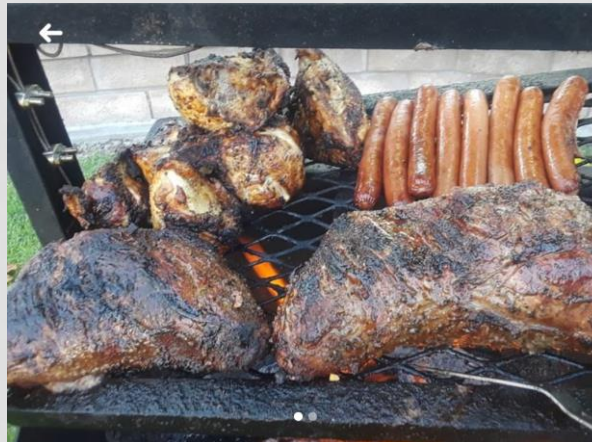
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Examples of unpermitted food vendor offerings



Cheesecake

BBQ meats



*Chipotle shrimp with rice
and beans*

UNPERMITTED HOME-BASED FOOD OP. SANTA MARIA CITY FIRE DEPT. RESPONSE





QUESTIONS?