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Subject: Street Vendor codes -- Letter of proposal for amendment

To the City Manager and Commission,

I would like to start a Mehndi Art stand on Massachusetts Street for the summer season. Mehndi is an art form of India consisting of an all natural dye paste, called Henna, that is applied to the skin in fancy designs, usually on the hands and feet. The dye is made up of dried and crushed Henna plant leaves, black tea, and eucalyptus oil.

The Henna dyes the skin a red-brown color where it is applied and remains on the skin for approximately 30 days. It is a beautiful form of temporary body art and is a culturally fitting service to extend to Lawrence.

I would like to propose that the definition of 'street vendor', in code 6-1401, be amended to include 'Art Services' (such as Mehndi, Caricatures, Airbrushing, Hair Wrapping, etc.). This would also change code 6-1402 to include the granting of a street vendor license for the sale of 'Art Services'.

I would also like to propose that the licensing schedule for street vending, code 6-108.18, be amended to allow purchase of a \$150 'Seasonal' license covering a period of 4 months from the date the license is obtained; OR simply be amended to allow the \$50 month license purchase for individual months without requiring purchase of a year-long license.

Thank you for your consideration.
Jana Johnston