Downtown Growers’ Market
Rules and Regulations 2020

Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) Safety Plan at Robinson Park

Updates will be notified to the public through the DGM: newsletter, social media (Facebook & Instagram) and website.

In compliance and coordination with the City of Albuquerque, the following rules have been put in place for the safety of the vendors, public and staff.

Resources:

1) CDC Guidelines
2) NM Department of Health
3) NM Dept. of Health Guidance for Farmers’ Markets

New Market Requirements:

1) **Only farmers and food vendors are allowed to sell at the Market until further notice.**
   This includes farmers selling produce and value-added products, prepared food vendors selling to-go food and pet food. No cut flowers or non-food plants, artisans, health and wellness, specialty booths, or business promotional booths will be allowed at this time.

2) **No sampling allowed.**

3) All programming has been canceled until further notice. This includes musicians, yoga, buskers, cooking classes and the like.

4) All vendor booths must be spaced with 6 feet between each vendor.

5) **The Market will have 4 hand sanitizing stations across the park for customers.**

6) The Market will provide 1 toilet for staff, volunteer, vendor and emergency use ONLY. Not intended for customer use as they are encouraged to come, shop and leave.

7) **All people in the park (customers/vendors/staff/volunteers) are required to wear a mask at all times.**

What we require of our vendors:

1) **No food sampling is allowed.**

2) **Vendors are required to wear a face barrier at all times** (mask, bandana, etc.).

3) Every vendor needs to have sanitizer at their booth or a hand washing station.

4) **If a vendor is sick or feel they are getting sick, they are required to stay home and communicate with management.**
5) **All vendors are required to wear gloves.** Gloves are to be changed between handling money and products and when soiled.

6) **Booth set up:**
   a. All vendors required to set up with store front facing the sidewalk.
   b. All vendors are required to set up their booth in a manner that ensures social distancing between customer and vendor.
      i. This can be done by using tables as barriers and caution tape wrapped around the booth
      ii. No customers allowed inside vendor booths

7) Vendors are encouraged to advertise (social media, at their booth, etc.) all measures they are taking to ensure public safety.

8) **Only vendors can handle products.** Customers are not allowed to touch products until they are purchased.
   a. If customer does not have a reusable bag, vendors must bag the items in a bag and give it to the customer.
   b. If customer does have a reusable bag, vendors should not touch the reusable bag, but instead place the customers items on the table, for the customer to bag themselves. Customers are encouraged to wash bags between each use.

9) **Clean booths frequently with approved bleach solutions or antibacterial sprays/wipes.**

**TOKENS:** We will sell tokens to customers as normal.
   a. When vendors turn tokens into the info booth staff will receive them as normal. Tokens will then be quarantined for a week and not resold to customers until 2 weeks have passed. This will provide time for any contamination to die.

**What we ask of our customers:**

1) **All customers must enter and exit on the south side of the Market on 8th St.** Market will follow capacity restrictions per State and City rules and will monitor how many people are in the park at one time.

2) **Customers are required to wear a face barrier at all times** (mask, bandana, etc.).

3) **Maintain a 6’ distance** between yourself, staff, volunteers, vendor booth employees, and other customers

4) **Come, shop & leave.** We ask you to see our market as a grocery store and to come, shop and leave as quickly and safely as possible.

5) **Sanitize your hands often with provided hand sanitizer stations.**

6) **Avoid touching your face and mask.**

7) **Customers are not allowed to touch products until they are purchased.**
   a) If customer does not have a reusable bag, vendors must bag the items in a bag and give it to the customer.
   b) If customer does have a reusable bag, vendors should not touch the reusable bag, but instead place the customers items on the table, for the customer to bag themselves. Customers are encouraged to wash bags between each use.

8) **Shop alone.** Send 1 person per family if possible.

9) **If you are sick, stay home.**
10) Wash your produce well when you return home with water.
11) **No pets.**
12) Be patient and kind with one another, we’re all in this together.

**Farm to Car: pick-up pre-ordered products at Market**

1) Farmer and food vendors who are participating in the Farm to Car store will have pre-ordered items available for pick-up at their booth during Saturday Market.
2) Non-food vendors who cannot be at the park currently, will have pre-ordered items available for pick up near the Market Info Booth. These items will be distributed by Market staff and can be picked up upon entry to the Market (or on your way out).
3) **If goods are forgotten or not picked up it is the responsibility of the customer to contact the vendor through the Farm to Car store to** figure out a plan (refund, pick up at a later date, etc.) The Market will have no more control over those kinds of logistics but will happily help to facilitate customer/vendor communication.

**Additional Steps Taken by Management:**

1) **Green Team operations are suspended until further notice.** The Market will utilize City trash cans, but will not engage in sorting out compost or recycling until further notice. Vendors are still required to take their trash with them. Customers should not have a reason to utilize trash cans as we are encouraging everyone to shop and leave.
2) DGM Management is complying with City regulations and understands that operations may change week to week depending on customer attendance and other safety issues that may arise.
3) DGM Staff is required to wear a face covering at all times. They are also required to follow the same rules as vendors.

**Subject to change as any new information comes out from State and City officials about safety practices for Farmers Markets regarding COVID-19.**

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