

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING CHAPTER 12 OF THE
ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW
GRADING OF MOBILE FOOD FACILITIES
THAT PREPARE FOOD

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 50022.9 authorizes a city to adopt a county ordinance or code by reference and the City of Escondido has adopted the San Diego County Code food regulations as codified in Escondido Municipal Code Chapter 12; and

WHEREAS, fixed location food facilities throughout San Diego County are currently scored against food safety criteria by County Inspectors and assigned an A, B, or C letter grade; and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2012, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance that will expand the letter grading system to mobile food facilities; and

WHEREAS, although most mobile food facilities are prohibited in the City of Escondido, the County Director of Environmental Health has asked the City to adopt this ordinance to standardize the procedures for all food facilities within the County of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the changes contained in this ordinance will assist customers to easily identify vendors in compliance with health and safety regulations and to make safe dining choices.