



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: October 7, 2025

From: Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

Item: Beer Garden at Ben Givens Center City Park during Arkalalah Festival

Motion: An Ordinance exempting the application of K.S.A. 41-719(d), to allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor at a designated area of Ben Givens Center City Park during Arkalalah, October 22-25, 2025. **(Roll Call Vote)**

Background: The Arkalalah Committee has requested that the City Commission allow it to include a beer garden during the 2024 Arkalalah Festival. Gypsy Bev. Co., a dually licensed caterer with the State of Kansas and the City of Arkansas City, will sponsor a beer garden to sell and serve alcoholic liquor at a designated area of Ben Givens Center City Park during the Arkalalah Festival from 11:00 AM until 10:00 PM on Wednesday, October 22, 2025, through Saturday, October 25, 2025.

The event will support Arkalalah, and Gypsy Bev. Co. has provided reasonable assurances that it will take all necessary precautions to ensure the property is used in full compliance with applicable state and local law. No one under twenty-one (21) years of age will be allowed within the enclosed area where alcohol is served. Beer gardens at Ben Givens Park have operated for several years now with no issues.

Gypsy Bev. Co., having been issued a State of Kansas ABC Temporary Common Consumption Participant Permit, may allow their alcoholic beverages served in appropriate non-glass containers (no red-solo cups) to legal patrons with wristbands, to venture outside of their beer garden area only during the CCA hours of 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM Monday through Thursday, and 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM Friday through Saturday, subject to K.S.A. 41-2659 and City Ordinance No. 2024-04-4610.

Commission Options:

1. Approve the Ordinance.
2. Disapprove of the Ordinance.

Fiscal Impact: Amount: Cost of publication.

Fund: Department: Expense Code:

☒ Included in budget ☐ Grant ☐ Bonds ☐ Other Not Budgeted

Attachments: Ordinance

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager