

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE AUGUSTA-RICHMOND COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, TITLE 6, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 3, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 6-6-48 “SINGLE EVENT FESTIVAL LICENSE”, TO REPEAL ALL CODE SECTIONS AND ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF CODE SECTIONS AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Augusta-Richmond County Commission, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Augusta-Richmond County Code of Ordinances, Title 6, Chapter 6, Article 3, is hereby amended by adding Section 6-6-48 “Single Event Festival License” as described in Exhibit “A”.

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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**PASSED, ADOPTED, SIGNED, APPROVED AND EFFECTIVE** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

(SEAL)

**AUGUSTA, GEORGIA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Garnett L. Johnson

Mayor

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Commission

**STATE OF GEORGIA**

**RICHMOND COUNTY**

FIRST READING \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND READING \_\_\_\_\_

**CLERK’S CERTIFICATE**

**I, LENA J. BONNER**, Clerk of Commission, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Augusta-Richmond County Commission (“the Commission”) at an open public meeting duly called and lawfully assembled at 2:00 P.M., on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, in connection with the foregoing ordinance, that such ordinance has not been modified or rescinded as of the date hereof, and the original of such ordinance being duly recorded in the Minute Book of the Commission, which Minute Book is in my custody and control.

I do hereby **CERTIFY** that there was a quorum of the Commissioners present at such meeting, and that such ordinance was duly adopted by the pursuant to the constituting and governing laws of the Augusta-Richmond County Commission.

Witness my hand and the official seal of Augusta, Georgia this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

(SEAL)

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Lena J. Bonner

Clerk of Commission

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Exhibit “A”

6-6-48 “Single Event Festival License”

- (a) In any given calendar year, any entity or person may apply for a Single Event Festival License. Such a License shall only be granted to one entity or person per year.
- (b) The fee for a Single Event Festival License shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (c) Such License shall be granted for a single event that shall not exceed 72 hours. Installation, set up, or breakdown shall not be counted as those 72 hours granted under the permit.
- (d) During the event covered by such a License, specified activities conducted by a License holder shall not be prohibited because the License holder does not have an Augusta, Georgia Occupation Tax Certificate.
- (e) The Planning and Development Department, after consultation with other federal, state, and local entities, shall issue the license under this section unless it is determined that the issuance of this license would threaten the health, safety, and good order of Augusta, Georgia. Denial of an application shall be in writing and state with specificity the reasons for the denial.
- (f) The Planning and Development Department shall have the right to immediately suspend, for cause, any License issued under this section whenever a person, firm or corporation doing business shall deviate from the normal operation for which the License was obtained or fails in performance to meet the required regulations and code as set forth by the Planning and Development Department, Sheriff's office or Health department; or violates any law or ordinance of the United States, or the state or Augusta, Georgia, in pursuance of such event conducted under such License; or when it shall be proven before the Planning and Development Department that there is a violation of a nuisance law; or when the health, morals, interests and convenience of the public demand the suspension of such License. The Planning and Development Department shall report the suspension of such License to the Commission. The Commission in its discretion may consider the suspension, and may continue the suspension, place the license on probation, revoke the license, or restore the license such that it remains in full force.
- (g) At all times the license shall be either prominently displayed or able to be produced immediately on request.