

# MEMO



**To:** Mayor Dwain Hahs and Members of the Board of Aldermen  
**From:** Rodney Bollinger, Administrative Services Director  
**Date:** May 12, 2026  
**Re:** Request to Expand Alcohol Consumption Area for Homecomers Event

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Representatives of American Legion Post 158, including Steven Engelmann, Steve Skelton, Dennis Koeberl, Larry Schott, and Frank Maevers, along with Gregg Clippard representing the Jackson Elks Lodge, will be present to discuss proposed changes to the Homecomers event. Included for your review is the Special Event Permit Application.

In previous years, a designated beer garden has been approved for the event, allowing the purchase and consumption of beer only within the enclosed beer garden area. Alcohol consumption outside of the designated area has not been permitted.

The American Legion and Elks Lodge are requesting approval to expand the permitted consumption area to include the entire Homecomers event footprint, thereby allowing patrons to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages throughout the event area.

Please note that this activity is not currently permitted without prior approval from the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Under the City's municipal code, the Board has authority to approve alcohol sales and consumption within the designated event boundaries, subject to applicable limitations established by City code and Missouri state law.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.