



CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: August 18, 2025

FROM: Ryan Nolting, Parks & Recreation Director
Donna Green, Marketing & Special Events Director

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration and possible action regarding the Old Bolivar Station Songwriters Festival Special Event permit to allow alcohol consumption at and during the event in downtown on October 4, 2025.

SUMMARY:

- The Special Event ordinance that was adopted on Nov. 6, 2024, expands on the regulations and guidelines for special event permits. The ordinance provides for the sale, distribution, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on City-owned property with City Council approval.
- Per ordinance #11-30-23, this permit is being provided to the City Council due to the request for the consumption of alcohol on public property.
- The approval of alcohol is on a case-by-case basis only.
- Alcohol will be sold by our downtown merchants, not outside vendors.
- Approving will allow for consumption on blocked city streets in the downtown area.
- Sanger Police Department has approved the attached Special Events Application.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Budgeted: NA Amount: NA GL Account: NA

RECOMMENDED MOTION OR ACTION:

Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

- City Council Communication
- Sanger Song Writers Festival - Special Event Application
- Sanger Song Writers Festival – Temporary Street Closer Permit