



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action - Music and Brews Public Address System Application

Preferred Agenda: March 22, 2022

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Reviewed By: Christy Wurster, City Manager Pro Tem

Type of Action: Resolution ____ Motion X Roll Call ____ Other ____

Relevant Code/Policy: SHMC 9.20.020 Unnecessary Noise

Towards Council Goal: Goal #4 – Economic Strength

Attachments: Application – Public Address System

Purpose of this RCA:

The Oregon Jamboree has applied to host an outdoor event on private property at 1306 Long Street, Sweet Home, Oregon on April 15th, 2022, and April 16th, 2022. The event will include live music, food trucks, vendors, and alcohol service. As part of this outdoor event, a Public Address (PA) permit has been requested.

Background/Context:

The Oregon Jamboree is hosting a Music and Brews event in downtown Sweet Home. The event is scheduled to be held on April 15th and April 16th, 2022. The event is to be held in the private parking lot at 1306 Long Street in Sweet Home.

A portion of the event will be open to the public and will include food and merchandise vendors, face painting, a balloon artist, local artisans, alcohol service and live music. The Oregon Jamboree is also working with the Sweet Home School District to provide some camping opportunities. It is estimated to attract approximately 1000 attendees.

The alcohol service will be provided and managed by the Oregon Beverage Service (OBS). The OBS is the same company that operates the alcohol sales at the Oregon Jamboree event.

The live music portion of the event will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 15th, and run through 11:00 p.m. On Saturday, April 16th, the live music is scheduled between 4:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

The application for the PA permit indicates that the broadcasted sound will travel beyond 1000 feet which according to SHMC 9.20.020 will need to be approved by the City Council.

City staff has been approached by one adjacent business/property owner that expressed concerns over the amplified music and the potential to negatively impact their business financially.

The Challenge/Problem:

The challenge of the request for the PA Permit is associated with blending the interests of all the business and the community in general.

The Oregon Jamboree is requesting the PA Permit for the outdoor event that runs for two days. The music will play until 11:00 p.m. on April 15th and until 10:30 p.m. on April 16th. The intent of the request is to promote economic interests within the community.

Stakeholders:

- City of Sweet Home Citizens – Citizens and businesses that live and operate within proximity to the event may have their level of livability affected by the sound amplification coming from the event. Other citizens and community members may benefit from the entertainment offered by the event.
- Oregon Jamboree – By allowing the requested times on the PA Permit, the event and business will be enhanced.
- City of Sweet Home Police Staff – The on-duty Supervisor needs a defined time to for the allowed amplification of music to ensure that it is complied with.
- City of Sweet Home City Council –SHMC 9.20.020 dictates that the Council may suspend the 1000-foot limitation and grant a sound amplifying permit.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

The city and the Police Department will not be impacted financially by the event. Any issues and potential financial impacts will be associated with the Oregon Jamboree, surrounding businesses, and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

The Sweet Home City Council should determine a fair and equitable solution associated with the PA Permit and its times. The needs of the business and the needs of the surrounding neighborhood have to be considered.

Options:

1. Approve the requested PA Permit. This would allow for the Oregon Jamboree to play amplified music in the outdoor venue from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Friday (04/15/22) and 4:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. on Saturday (04/16/22).
2. Deny the request. This would not allow for the amplification of music at the outdoor event.
3. Amend the requested PA Permit. The City Council can choose to amend the request by adjusting the times permitted on one or all days.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends option #1 – Approve the requested PA Permit which would allow for the Oregon Jamboree's Music and Brews Event to play amplified music in the outdoor venue from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Friday (04/15/22), and 4:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. on Sunday (04/16/22).