



# REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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**Title:** Request for Council Action – RSH BBQ PA Permit

**Preferred Agenda:** June 14, 2022

**Submitted By:** Jason Ogden, Captain

**Reviewed By:** Christy Wurster, City Manager Pro Tem

**Type of Action:** Resolution \_\_\_\_ Motion X Roll Call \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_

**Relevant Code/Policy:** SHMC 9.20.020

**Towards Council Goal:** Economic Strength

**Attachments:** PA Permit \_RSH

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**Purpose of this RCA:**

The Radiator Supply House Inc. is hosting the Ice Box Cookoff National BBQ Competition. As part of the outdoor venue, a Public Address (PA) Permit has been requested.

**Background/Context:**

In May 2022, Guy Smith, an employee at the Radiator Supply House Inc., applied for a public address system permit for a 3-day event at the business located 1460 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Sweet Home, OR. The event that will be held at that location is the Ice Box Cookoff National BBQ Competition.

The BBQ competition will include amplified music.

The application for the PA permit indicates that the music amplification will include microphone, outdoor speakers, amps, monitors, and mixing boards. The form indicates that the broadcast sound will be live music that will travel beyond 1000 feet which according to SHMC 9.20.020 will need to be approved by the City Council.

The PA permit also lists the dates and times for amplification of music. The request is for the permit to run from Friday (07/01/22) through Sunday (07/03/22) between the times of 12:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on each night. Initially the permit indicated the time on those days to start at 12:00 a.m. I contacted Guy Smith and confirmed all of the information related to the permit.

**The Challenge/Problem:**

The challenge of the request for the PA Permit is associated with blending the interests of the business with those of the surrounding neighborhood.

The business is requesting the PA Permit for an event that only runs three days a year and will play music until 10:00 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The intent of the request is to

further promote their business, the event, as well as to put Sweet Home “on the map” by hosting a national BBQ.

**Stakeholders:**

- City of Sweet Home Citizens – Citizens that live 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.
- Radiator Supply House Inc. – By allowing the requested times on the PA Permit, the event, community, and business will be enhanced.
- City of Sweet Home Police Staff – The on-duty Supervisor needs a defined time 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 by event. Any issues and potential financial impacts will be associated with the Radiator Supply House Inc. and the surrounding neighborhoods. Those issues could include noise from the amplified music as well as traffic congestion in the area.

**Elements of a Stable Solution:**

The Sweet Home City Council should determine a fair and equitable solution associated with the PA Permit 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 Radiator Supply House Inc. to play amplified music in the outdoor venue from 12:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Friday (07/01/22), Saturday (07/02/22), and Sunday (07/03/22).
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. Examples could include allowing the amplification of music until 10:00 p.m. on Friday (07/01/22), until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday (07/32/22) and until 8:00 p.m. on Sunday.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends option #1 which would allow for the Radiator Supply House Inc. to play amplified music in the outdoor venue from 12:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Friday (07/01/22), Saturday (07/02/22), and Sunday (07/03/22).