

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2003-037

*Authorizing consumption of alcoholic beverages  
at Palmetto Capital City Classic Downtown Block Party*

WHEREAS, Palmetto Capital City Classic ("Classic") is sponsoring a Downtown Block Party on Thursday, September 25, 2003 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the 1400 block of Main Street between Hampton Street and Washington Street and in the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Hampton Street between Sumter Street and Assembly Street in celebration of the Palmetto Capital City Classic football game; and,

WHEREAS, Classic has requested permission for the temporary closing and use from 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. of the portion of the 1400 block of Main Street between Hampton Street and Washington Street and the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Hampton Street between Sumter Street and Assembly Street on Thursday, September 25, 2003 for the Downtown Block Party to be held from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that such events would be in the public interest;  
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council this 16th day of July, 2003, that the sale of beer and wine beverages is authorized at the event between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vendors be restricted to stationary location; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that only pedestrian traffic will be allowed within the area.

All other traffic, including, but not limited to, automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, mopeds,

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bicycles, skate boards, and horses, except police horses, is prohibited. All pets shall be prohibited. Coolers, glass bottles, breakable glasses and/or cups, large bags and backpacks shall be prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 25, 2003, the closed portion of the 1400 block of Main Street between Hampton Street and Washington Street and the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Hampton Street between Sumter Street and Assembly Street, with the exception of the parking areas and any other areas posted at either location as to not allow alcoholic beverages, shall be declared to be a Public Park and provisions of Part 2, Article D, Division II, Sections 2-2052 through 2-2054, 1979 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina are in effect. Pursuant to Section 2-2047(2)(b), 1979 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, that between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 25, 2003 that portion of the 1400 block of Main Street between Hampton Street and Washington Street and the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Hampton Street between Sumter Street and Assembly Street, with the exception of the parking areas and any other areas posted at either location as to not allow alcoholic beverages, are deemed to be the site of a public festival at which alcoholic beverages may be consumed and the prohibition against possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages set forth in Section 2-2047 shall not apply. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be permitted only in containers provided by vendors within the areas designated.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no solicitation or transactions be made in violation of Code Section 2-2046, et. seq., 1979 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South

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Requested by:

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Approved by:

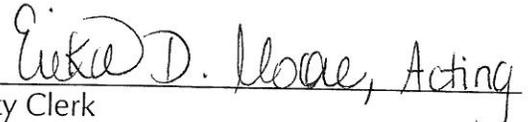
  
City Manager

Approved as to form:

  
City Attorney

  
Mayor Pro-Tempore

ATTEST:

, Acting  
City Clerk

Introduced: 7/16/2003  
Final Reading: 7/16/2003

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June 16, 2003

Mr. Charles Austin  
Interim City Manager  
City of Columbia  
P.O. Box 147  
Columbia, SC 29217

Dear Mr. Austin:

Organizers of the 2003 Palmetto Capital City Classic are requesting permission from the City of Columbia to host several events during the week of September 23 - 27. The Palmetto Capital City Classic is a contest between two of the most prominent HBCUs in the state of South Carolina. Last year, the event brought out more than 60,000 people. This year, organizers are expecting at least 70,000 to attend the game and at least 80,000 travelers throughout the city.

I have enclosed a list and schedule of the Classic's ancillary events. The list includes all activities associated with the game; however, the Classic will need permission and logistical support from your departments for the following City of Columbia venues:

Thurs 9/25/03

- Downtown Block Party** - street closings of Main between Hampton and Washington and Hampton between Sumter and Assembly; fire marshals, off-duty police; stage and set up/break down, alcohol license, etc.
- Pep Rally at Finlay Park** - utilization, stage and set up/break down, fire marshals, police, etc.

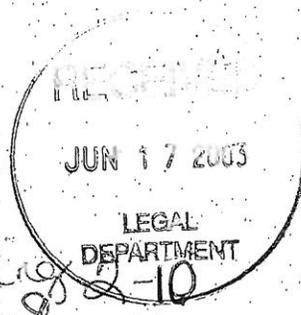
Approximately 1,000 people are expected to attend the block party, which will feature live bands and food and merchandise vendors. At least 700 - 1,000 people are expected to attend the Pep Rally, which will feature the college bands, one or two food vendors and music.

Your support of this request would be most grateful. If you have any questions, please call me at 771-0325.

Sincerely,

Latrice F. Williams  
Accounts Manager, Palmetto Capital City Classic

cc: Sgt. Harold Reeves, Division Commander  
Columbia Police Department



Street closing 5-10  
event 5-8  
alcohol 5-7:30

777-9562