

RESOLUTION NO.: 2003-062

Authorizing annual Vista Lights celebration in the Congaree Vista

WHEREAS, the Congaree Vista Guild is sponsoring its annual Vista Lights celebration in the Congaree Vista on Thursday, November 20, 2003, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, the Guild has requested permission for Vista area merchants to operate sales booths as part of the celebration; and,

WHEREAS, the Guild has requested that Gervais Street between Gadsden Street and Assembly Street; Park Street between Senate Street and Lady Street; and Lincoln Street between Senate Street and Lady Street be closed to automotive traffic; and,

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council this 5th day of November, 2003, that between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2003, merchants are authorized to operate sale booths for items normally sold in their course of business, except alcoholic beverages, beer and wine, within the area of Gervais Street between Gadsden Street and Assembly Street; Park Street between Senate Street and Lady Street; and Lincoln Street between Senate Street and Lady Street; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that street sales of arts and crafts items (to be defined as items which are in whole or in part handmade and not items purchased for resale) and food and beverage items and game booths be permitted and that the Guild be authorized to determine and allocate available space to vendors and to charge reasonable fees to recover its costs in promoting and operating the festival. The Guild may limit the number of vendors based on space available. The Guild shall prescribe the required application form and appropriate deadline for receiving applications; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vendors be restricted to stationary location and the Guild shall approve or disapprove all amplified entertainment activities; 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, bicycles, skate boards, and

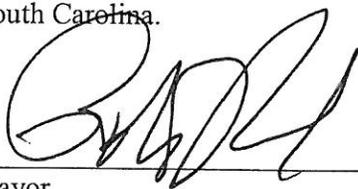
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horses, except police horses, is prohibited. All pets shall be prohibited. Coolers, glass bottles, breakable glasses and/or cups, large bags and backpacks shall be prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the designated time the area of Gadsden Street and Assembly Street; Park Street between Senate Street and Lady Street; and Lincoln Street between Senate Street and Lady Street, with the exception of the parking areas and any other areas posted as to not allow alcoholic beverages, shall be declared to be a Public Park and the provisions of Chapter 15, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 15-1, 15-2 and 15-3, 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina are in effect. Pursuant to Chapter 14, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article IV, Offenses Against the Public Peace and Order, Sec. 14-99, 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, the area of Gadsden Street and Assembly Street; Park Street between Senate Street and Lady Street; and Lincoln Street between Senate Street and Lady Street, with the exception of the parking areas and any other areas posted as to not allow alcoholic beverages, is 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 Sec. 14-99 shall not apply. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be permitted only in containers provided by vendors within the area designated.

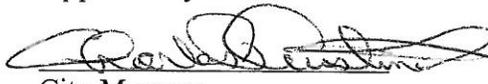
PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no solicitation or transactions be made in violation of Sec. 14-32, et. seq., 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina.

Requested by:



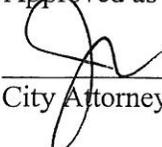
Mayor

Approved by:



City Manager

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

ATTEST:



City Clerk

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From: Moore, Erika
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2003 3:00 PM
To: Lykes, Valorie; Ardis, Shari; Goff, Bryan; Reaves, Harold
Subject: FW: Vista Lights

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jeanne Lirola [mailto:jlirola@boudreauxgroup.com]
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2003 2:26 PM
To: City Clerk
Cc: 'palmetto@mindspring.com'
Subject: Vista Lights

Hello Erika!

The date is November 20th and the time we need Gervais Street closed is from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm. We are asking that the barricades be from Assembly to Gadsden or at least Park Street to Gadsden and closing off the cross streets of Park and Lincoln at Gervais Street. There will be alcohol served in the businesses and I would like to ask permission for the patrons to be able to wander with their drinks. We will be paying police and fire marshals as in previous years. Please feel free to contact myself or Tom Jackson if you have any questions. Tom is President of the Guild and I am Vice President. His numbers are 803-779-2888 at Palmetto Candy or 803-318-1150 cell phone. He will be out of town next week. I am easiest to catch at my office.

Thanks!!

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