

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2011-061

*Authorizing consumption of beer and wine and
Columbia's Annual Blues Festival in Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park*

WHEREAS, Word of Mouth Productions ("Organizer") is sponsoring Columbia's Annual Blues Festival in Martin Luther King, Jr. Park and the 2200 block of Greene Street between Pine Street and Oak Street adjacent to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park on Saturday, October 22, 2011; and,

WHEREAS, Organizer has requested permission to use Martin Luther King, Jr. and for the temporary closing and use of the portion of the 2200 block of Greene Street between Pine Street and Oak Street adjacent to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 22, 2011, for preparation of the event, staging of the event, crowd control and overflow during the event to be held on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.; and for patrons to consume beer and wine beverages at the event on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.; 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 20th day of September, 2011, that the sale of beer and wine beverages is authorized between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 22, 2011; and,

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that outdoor possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages, all outdoor musical performances and use of sound-amplifying devices shall end by 10:00 p.m. due to the proximity of the event to residential properties; 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 horses, except police horses, is prohibited. Canines and felines are allowed, provided that current leash laws are observed as are set out in the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, as amended. 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 Martin Luther King, Jr. Park area and the closed portion of the 2200 block of Greene Street between Pine Street and Oak Street, with the exception of the

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parking area and any other areas posted as to not allow alcoholic beverages, shall be declared to be a Public Park and provisions of Chapter 15, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 15-1, 15-2 and 15-3, 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, that the Martin Luther King, Jr., Park area and the 2200 block of Greene Street between Pine Street and Oak Street, with the exception of the parking area 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 areas designated.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that the event organizer shall provide the names and cell phone numbers of a least two contact persons who can receive complaints during the event, including any set up and breakdown times. The cell phones shall remain on at all times during the event and during any set up and breakdown time.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that failure of the event organizer to strictly comply with the time frames and other requirements and responsibilities set forth in this resolution may result in a denial of subsequent requests to allow the event.

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

Requested by:

Word Of Mouth Productions




Mayor

Approved by:



City Manager

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

Introduced: 9/20/2011

Final Reading: 9/20/2011

DATE OF REQUEST: August 22, 2011

REQUESTOR'S NAME/CONTACT INFORMATION (E-MAIL/PHONE#/FAX#): Word of Mouth Productions / Geoffrey Grimes, Exec. Director / geoffreyg@wordofmouthproduction.org / 803-783-8420 / 803-708-4500

EVENT NAME/PURPOSE (i.e., St. Patrick's Charity Fund-raiser): Columbia's 17th Annual Blues Festival

DATE(S) OF EVENTS: Saturday, October 22, 2011

LOCATION OF EVENT (i.e., Amphitheater area of Finlay Park; 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Lady Street and Hampton Street): Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park / 2300 Greene Street Columbia, SC 29205

STREET(S) TO BE CLOSED (i.e., 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Lady Street and Hampton Street): 2200 block of Greene Street, 29205

HOURS FOR STREET(S) TO BE CLOSED (i.e., 5:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.): 9:00 AM until 11:00 PM

ALLOW TIME FOR SET UP/CLEAN UP

HOURS OF EVENT (i.e., 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.): Noon until 10:00 PM

HOURS OF SERVICE OF BEER/WINE (Service should end one-half hour prior to end of event, i.e., event is 6-10 p.m., beer/wine service is 6-9:30 p.m.): Noon until 8:30 PM

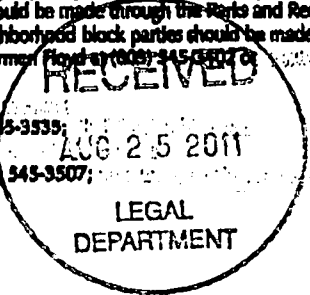
Requests should be submitted by mail, e-mail or fax at least 10 days in advance of the event to allow for preparation and review of the Resolution and scheduling on Council's agenda. Requests may be sent by e-mail (geoffreyg@wordofmouthproduction.org), fax (737-4230) or mailed to City Attorney's Office, ATTN: Shari Ardis, POB 667, Columbia, SC 29202. A draft Resolution will be prepared and forwarded for review to the event organizer, as well as to the Police Department Special Events office and to Parks and Recreation if the event is to be held in a City park. Approval from the adjoining business/property owners must be obtained before your request will be submitted to City Council if streets are to be closed off during business hours.

*Outdoor possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages, all outdoor musical performances and use of sound-amplifying devices shall end by 10:00 p.m. due to the proximity of the event to residential properties.

NOTE: This form should only be used for public events where beer and/or wine are to be sold and consumed on City property (i.e., Five After Five, St. Patrick's Festival, Concerts in Finlay Park, etc.).

This form should not be used to request use of City property for private events (birthday, retirement, anniversary parties, etc.) nor for sidewalk sales or neighborhood block parties. Requests for private events at City parks should be made through the Parks and Recreation Department. Requests for sidewalk sales should be made to the City Manager. Requests for street closings for private neighborhood block parties should be made to the Police Department Special Events and Public Safety. If food is to be cooked at the event contact the Assistant Fire Chief Carmen Floyd at (803) 345-3507.

Legal Department - Shari Ardis; 737-4242;
 Police Department Special Events - Officer Robert Hall; 545-3535;
 Parks and Recreation - Loretta Coleman; 345-3100;
 Police Department Community Services - Brenda Murphy; 345-3507;



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