

OUTDOOR EVENT ORDINANCE

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING

APRIL 28, 2020

BACKGROUND - CURRENT ORDINANCE

- Outdoor Event Ordinance contained in Title 2 of the General Code
- Adopted in 2014
 - Multiple Board meetings and issues discussed: neighborhood protection, industry concerns
- 5+ years of operating
 - Issued 12 permits total
 - Minimal complaints of impacts on neighborhoods
 - Concern from the event community too limiting
 - Met with Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce (Ag. Community, other stakeholders) to discuss concerns

REQUEST FROM EVENT INDUSTRY, CHAMBERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

- Increase number of allowed events from 4 to 8 per year
 - Clarify offsite parking and sanitation requirements
- Board Workshop - January 2020
 - Board Direction to work with Chamber's Committee on proposed changes
 - Bring amendments to Board before event season

ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

- Amendments
 - Increase number of allowed events from 4 to 8 per year
 - Removed Sheriff Office and replaced with CDA as permit issuing agency
 - Sheriff's Office and Local Fire Departments still have review and enforcement abilities
 - Removed Commercial Insurance Policy and criminal record information
 - Clarified offsite parking provisions and onsite sanitation requirements
 - Prohibited Camping/Fires
 - Permit Fees in Ordinance – removed from ordinance, rely on fee schedule
 - Penalties and Appeal process changed to follow Land Use and Development Code

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

- Did NOT Change:
 - Minimum Parcel Size of 5 acres
 - Allowed Zoning Districts
 - Noise Limits
 - Hours of Operation
 - Event Sizes
 - Health/Safety/Fire Requirements
 - Traffic, Fire Safety, Compliance with Fire and Building Codes

COMMENT PERIOD

- Consulted with Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce Working Group
- Circulated the Draft Ordinance for Public Comment for 30 days
 - Comments from Consolidated Fire Department and Department of Public Works
 - Revisions made based on comments

RECOMMENDATION

- Approve Ordinance to amend Article 2 of Chapter V of the General Code: Outdoor Events