

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2022-027

*Authorizing consumption of beer and wine only in Founders Park, 431 Williams Street at Pre-Game Block Parties, on Saturday, April 9 and 16, 2022*

WHEREAS, Aramark Sports & Entertainment Service ("Sponsor") is sponsoring two pre-game block parties in Founders Park from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 and 16, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has requested permission for the use of Founders Park for pre-game block parties, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 and 16, 2022, for preparation and staging of the area and for crowd control and overflow at the outdoor event to be held between 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at Founders Park and for patrons to consume beer and wine only at the event during the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on April 9 and 16, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, to insure the safety of attendees Organizer understands and agrees as follows:

1. Firearms shall be prohibited in Founders Park, 431 Williams Street regardless of whether such firearm is carried openly or concealed, and regardless of whether the individual carrying such firearm is a valid concealed weapons permit holder on Saturday, April 9 and 16, 2022 from 1:00 pm. to 4:30 p.m. See Resolution No. 2021-099 (Sept. 7, 2021).
2. Organizer shall establish a boundary line around the event space at Founders Park, 431 Williams Street, and the Organizer shall ensure all entrance points into the permitted event area are posted with signage stating "NO CONCEALABLE WEAPONS ALLOWED" that complies with the size and formatting requirements of section 23-31-235 of the South Carolina Code.
3. When publicizing the event in the community, Organizer shall include the statement: "NO CONCEALABLE WEAPONS ALLOWED" to ensure the public has prior notice of this restriction.
4. Organizer shall work with the City to develop a written plan and design a footprint of the event area that adheres to applicable COVID-19 health and safety guidelines, as published by the CDC and SCDHEC, and Organizer shall modify the plans and footprint as such guidelines are updated.
5. The City may cancel the event at any time based upon public safety and/or public health concerns. The City shall not be financially responsible for any costs associated with the cancellation of the event.
6. Organizer shall display signs (physical and/or electronic) throughout the event area that discourage physical contact, such as hugs, handshakes, fist bumps, and high-fives during the event.
7. Organizer shall require that its agents, employees, vendors, contractors, and event attendees adhere to all applicable COVID-19 health and safety guidelines in effect at the time of the event.
8. If the event occurs during a time in which the City has in effect any emergency ordinance or ordinance requiring face coverings or adherence to social distancing requirements, Organizer shall require that its agents, employees, vendors, contractors, and event attendees comply with the requirements of such ordinance(s).
9. The City strongly encourages Organizer to require that its agents, employees, vendors, contractors, and event attendees provide proof that they have been fully vaccinated against the SARS-CoV-2 virus prior to being granted permission to enter the event.

10. Organizer shall provide portable restroom facilities at the event unless it can substantiate the sufficient availability of both ADA accessible and non-accessible facilities in the immediate area of the event site which will be available to attendees during the event. Organizer shall provide a minimum of four (4) chemical or portable toilets and two (2) wash stations for every 250 people, or portion thereof, who attend the event. Ten percent (10%) of these facilities shall be ADA accessible. This figure is based upon

11. the maximum number of attendees at the event during peak time. The City may determine the total number of required restroom facilities on a case-by-case basis. Organizer shall post signs or markers to prohibit lines or crowds forming near the event's restroom facilities without maintaining a distance of at least six (6) feet from other people.

12. Organizer shall post signs or markers to prohibit lines or crowds forming near food vendors and should encourage attendees to bring their own water. Alcohol, beer and/or wine shall be prohibited at the event without approval of a written resolution of City Council.

13. Organizer shall coordinate with food vendors to offer touchless payment options, if possible and available, or provide a tray for the exchange of payment to avoid hand-to-hand contact. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned after each customer and customers are encouraged to use their own pens.

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 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022, that the sale of beer and wine beverages only are authorized between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 and 16, 2022 at the event; 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, bicycles, skateboards, and horses, except police horses, is prohibited. Canines 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 possession and consumption of alcoholic liquors or alcoholic beverages other than beer and/or wine beverages only within the event area is prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that VIP tents or VIP areas for the possession and consumption of alcoholic liquors or alcoholic beverages, other than beer or wine beverages only, within the event area are prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that organizer is responsible or shall make arrangements for the clean up of all trash and debris within the festival area and shall place same in the roll carts provided by the City. Any overflow of trash and debris shall be placed in garbage bags with the top securely closed and placed beside the City roll carts. The number of roll carts needed for the event shall be determined by organizer and the City Solid Waste Division prior to the event and placed throughout the event area to ensure that trash and debris are well contained. Roll carts and bagged trash and debris shall be returned to the collection point designated by the City in a timely manner. If the organizer has not opted to use City services to clean up the festival area, any costs incurred by the City in removing loose trash and debris within the festival area, which the organizer has failed to clean up, shall be billed to and paid by the organizer; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that outdoor possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages only, 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 during the designated dates and times that the closed portion of Founders Park that serves as the designated event area, with the exception of the parking area and any other areas posted as to not allow beer and wine only, 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, the Amphitheater Area at Saluda Riverwalk, with the exception of the parking area and any other areas posted as to not allow beer and wine only, is deemed to be the site of a public festival at which beer and wine only may be consumed and the prohibition against possession or consumption of beer and wine only as set forth in Sec. 14-99 shall not apply. Possession and consumption of beer and wine only 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 timeframes 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 Code Sec. 14-32, 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the organizer reschedule the event for another date beyond one (1) week from the date of the originally scheduled event, a request for a resolution of City Council approving the new date of the event shall be required.

Requested by:

Assistant City Manager Shealy

Approved by:

Theresa B. Wilson  
City Manager

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

Introduced: 4/5/2022

Final Reading: 4/5/2022

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk



DATE OF REQUEST	March 4, 2022	REQUESTOR'S NAME/CONTACT INFORMATION (E-MAIL/PHONE #/FAX#)	Aramark Sports & Entertainment Service Kenneth Meyer-GM meyer-kenneth1@aramark.com 919-356-7660
EVENT NAME/PURPOSE (i.e., St. Patrick's Charity Fund-raiser)	Pre-game Block Party at Founders Park-USC Baseball		
DATE(S) OF EVENTS: (multiple day can be on one request)	3/12/22, 4/9/22, and 4/16/22		
RAIN CONTINGENCY DATE: (Rescheduling due to inclement weather is allowed once within one week from the date of the originally scheduled event upon 24-hours written notice to the City, without a new request. The time of event operation shall remain the same.)	N/A		
LOCATION OF EVENT (i.e., Amphitheater area of Finlay Park; 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Lady Street and Hampton Street)	Founders Park 431 Williams St. Columbia, SC 29201		
STREET(S) OR PARK AREA TO BE CLOSED (i.e., 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Lady Street and Hampton Street; Amphitheater area of Finlay Park; Boyd Plaza)	431 Williams St. Columbia, SC 29201		
HOURS FOR STREET(S) OR PARK AREA TO BE CLOSED (i.e., 5:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.) ALLOW TIME FOR SET UP/CLEAN UP	10am-5:00pm		
HOURS OF EVENT (i.e., 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)*	1:00pm-4:30pm		
HOURS OF SERVICE OF BEER/WINE BEVERAGES ONLY (NO LIQUOR**) (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.)*	1:00pm-4:30pm		

**\*DUE TO COVID-19 THERE ARE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES THAT MUST BE IN PLACE TO INSURE PUBLIC SAFETY. PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR SAFETY PLAN/PROTOCOL WITH DRAWING DEPICTING CLEANING/SANITIZATION AREAS WITH YOUR SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST FORM.**

Requests should be submitted by mail, e-mail or fax at least **NINETY (90) 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 (shari.ardis@columbiasc.gov), fax (803-737-4250) or mailed to City Attorney's Office, ATTN: Shari Ardis, POB 847, Columbia, SC 29202. A draft Resolution will be prepared and forwarded for review to the event organizer, as well as to the City departments for coordination of City services and requirements (i.e., Police, Solid Waste, Parks and Recreation, etc.). Approval from the adjoining business/property owners must be obtained before your request will be submitted to City Council. Streets are to be closed off during business hours. The event organizer is responsible for obtaining a permit or license if required by the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

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

\*\*ONLY BEER AND WINE BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED ON CITY PROPERTY. POSSESSION OF LIQUOR IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. VIP tents or VIP areas for possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages within the event area are PROHIBITED.

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., Main Street Latin Festival, St. Patrick's Festival, Vista Lights, Rocky Shoals Spider Lily Festival, 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.

Fire Marshal George N. Adams, Jr., 803-545-3703; george.adams@columbiasc.gov  
Legal Department - Shari Ardis, 803-737-4242; shari.ardis@columbiasc.gov or fax 803-737-4250 - resolution preparation  
Parking Services - Jessica Argue, (803) 545-0287; jessica.argue@columbiasc.gov - meter begging  
Parks and Recreation - Pearl Osborne, 803-545-3100; pearl.osborne@columbiasc.gov - park reservations  
Police Department Special Events - Sgt. Jennifer L. Jordan, (803) 545-3514; jennifer.jordan@columbiasc.gov - parade permit, police  
Police Department Community Services - Brenda Murphy, 803-545-3507; brenda.murphy@columbiasc.gov - street closing

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