

ORDINANCE NO.: 2012-111

Authorizing consumption of beer and wine beverages only at the 2012 Famously Hot New Year Event

WHEREAS, the City ("Sponsor") is sponsoring the 2012 Famously Hot New Year Event in the 1200, 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Hampton Street and Gervais Street and the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Gervais Street between Assembly Street and Sumter Street from 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 31, 2012 until 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 1, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, Sponsor has requested permission for the temporary closing and use of the east bound lanes of the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Gervais Street between Assembly Street and Sumter Streets from 8:00 a.m. Sunday, December 30, 2012 until 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 1, 2013 for set up, staging and clean-up of the event; and from 8:00 a.m. Monday, December 31, 2012 until 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 1, 2013 the west bound lanes of the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Gervais Street between Assembly Street and Sumter Street; the half block area of the 1100 block of Lady Street west of the entrance to the First Citizens Bank and Trust parking lot to allow for ingress and egress to parking lot; the half block area of the 1200 block of Lady Street east of the entrance into the parking garage located behind 1227 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress into the parking garage; the half block area of the 1100 block of Washington Street east of the parking lot located behind 1441 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress to the parking lot; and the 1200, 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Hampton Street and Gervais Street; and for patrons to consume beer and wine beverages only during the event hours of 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 31, 2012 until 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 1, 2013; and for crowd control and overflow; and,

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council this 4th day of December, 2012, that the sale of beer and wine beverages only is authorized between the hours of 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 31, 2012 and 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 1, 2013; and,

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

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that possession and consumption of alcoholic liquors or alcoholic beverages other than beer and/or wine beverages within the event area is prohibited; and,

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

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that VIP areas for the possession and consumption of alcoholic liquors or alcoholic beverages, including beer or wine beverages, shall be allowed within an enclosed building adjacent to but outside of the event area. Beer and wine beverages shall not be carried from the event area into the VIP area. Alcoholic liquors or alcoholic beverages, including beer or wine beverages shall not be carried from the VIP area into the event area. Sponsor shall have a person posted at the entrance and exit of the VIP area to enforce the prohibition of transporting these beverages from one area to the other; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Mayor and Council hereby repeal the restriction of outdoor possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages only, all outdoor musical performances and use of sound-amplifying devices ending by 10:00 p.m. only for this City of Columbia sponsored New Year Eve's event; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED 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. All pets shall be prohibited. Coolers, glass bottles, breakable glasses and/or cups, large bags and backpacks shall be prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that during the designated time the closed portion of 1100 and 1200 blocks of Gervais Street between Assembly Street and Sumter Street; the half block area of the 1100 block of Lady Street west of the entrance to the First Citizens Bank and Trust parking lot to allow for ingress and egress to parking lot; the half

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block area of the 1200 block of Lady Street east of the entrance into the parking garage located behind 1227 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress into the parking garage; the half block area of the 1100 block of Washington Street east of the parking lot located behind 1441 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress to the parking lot; and the 1200, 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Hampton Street and Gervais Street with the exception of the parking areas, adjacent off-street parking areas and 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, the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Gervais Street between Assembly Street and Sumter Street; the half block area of the 1100 block of Lady Street west of the entrance to the First Citizens Bank and Trust parking lot to allow for ingress and egress to parking lot; the half block area of the 1200 block of Lady Street east of the entrance into the parking garage located behind 1227 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress into the parking garage; the half block area of the 1100 block of Washington Street east of the parking lot located behind 1441 Main Street to allow for ingress and egress to the parking lot; and the 1200, 1300 and 1400 blocks of Main Street between Hampton Street and Gervais Street, with the exception of the parking areas, adjacent off-street 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 beer and wine beverages only 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 beer and wine beverages only shall be permitted only in plastic cups, plastic or aluminum bottles or aluminum cans 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:

Special Assistant to the Mayor



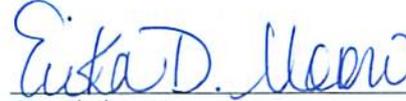
Mayor

Approved by:

City Manager



ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

Introduced: 11/13/2012

Final Reading: 12/4/2012