

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2012-097

Authorizing consumption of beer and wine at Vista Lights 2012

WHEREAS, the Congaree Vista Guild ("Guild") is sponsoring Vista Lights on Thursday, November 15, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the Guild has requested permission for the temporary closing and use of the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Lincoln Street and Park Street between Lady Street and Senate Street, and the 800 through 1000 blocks of Gervais Street between Gadsden Street and Assembly Street, from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. for preparation and staging of the area for an outdoor event to be held between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., and for patrons to consume beer and wine beverages at the event during the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 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 16th day of October, 2012, that the sale of beer and wine beverages in plastic containers or cans only is authorized between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2012; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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 RESOLVED 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 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 all vendors be restricted to stationary location and that the Guild shall approve or disapprove all amplified entertainment activities; 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, police golf carts, and horse-drawn carriages, is prohibited. All pets, including snakes, 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 closed portion of the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Lincoln Street and Park Street between Lady Street and Senate Street, and the 800 through 1000 blocks of Gervais Street between Gadsden Street and Assembly Street, with the exception of the parking area and any other areas posted as to not allow alcoholic beverages, shall be declared to be a Public Park and provisions of

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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 closed portion of the 1100 and 1200 blocks of Lincoln Street and Park Street between Lady Street and Senate Street, and the 800 through 1000 blocks of Gervais Street between Gadsden Street and Assembly 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 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 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:

Congaree Vista Guild



Mayor

Approved by:



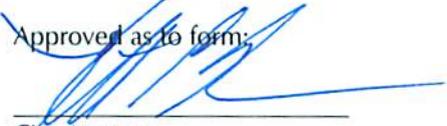
City Manager

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

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