

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2002-079

*Authorizing South Carolina Oyster Festival
and consumption of alcoholic beverages at Finlay Park*

WHEREAS, Liquid Assets Events ("Sponsor") is sponsoring the 8th Annual South Carolina Oyster Festival at Finlay Park on Sunday, March 23, 2003; and,

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has requested permission for merchants to operate sale booths as part of the event; 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 8th day of January, 2003, that between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 23, 2003, merchants are authorized to operate sale booths for items normally sold in their course of business, except alcoholic beverages, beer and wine, within Finlay Park; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that sales of arts and crafts items (to be defined as items which are in whole or in part handmade and not items purchased for resale) and food and beverage items and game booths be permitted and that the Sponsor be authorized to determine and allocate available space to vendors and to charge reasonable fees to recover its costs in promoting and operating the festival. The Sponsor may limit the number of vendors based on space available. Beer sales are authorized between 12:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Food sales will stop at 8:00 p.m. The Sponsor shall prescribe the required application form and appropriate deadline for receiving applications; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vendors be restricted to stationary location and the Sponsor shall approve or disapprove all amplified entertainment activities; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that only pedestrian traffic will be allowed within the area. All other

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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 RESOLVED that during the designated time Finlay Park, 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 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, Finlay Park, 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.

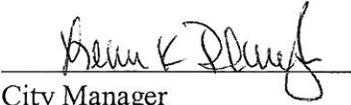
PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no solicitation or transactions be made in violation of Sec. 14-32, 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina.

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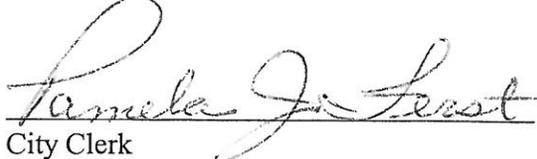
Mayor

Approved by:



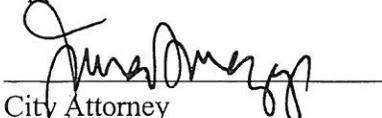
City Manager

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

Introduced: 1/8/2003

Final Reading: 1/8/2003

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8th Annual
South Carolina Oyster Festival
Sunday, March 23, 2003
FINLAY PARK
Columbia, SC

City of Columbia:

November 12, 2002

This letter is written as a formal request for final approval of the use of Finlay Park for the Eight Annual South Carolina Oyster Festival, to be held Sunday, March 23rd, 2003. The gates will open @ 12:00 noon and the festival will be completed by 8:00 pm.

Admission will be charged for entry to the event. A temporary beer and wine license will be applied for by Liquid Assets Events for the hours of 12:00 noon until 7:30 pm.

There has been a meeting with Harold Reeves and Brian Goff (Columbia Police), Barry Wells and Hattie Bing, (Parks and Recreation), Frank Maples, (Columbia Fire), and Cindy Thompson, (Business License). We would like to be placed on City Council's December 11, 2002 agenda. Please let me know if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

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