



Legislation Text

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**AGENDA REPORT
REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

DATE: 4/3/2019

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Police Department

SUBJECT:

City Council consideration of Ordinance No. 3295, first reading of an ordinance amending section 9.20.010 of the Corona Municipal Code to clarify when a special event permit is required, including when required by chapter 12.24 or for any event involving the sale, possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages within city property or facilities authorized pursuant to section 9.22.020 of the Corona Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council introduce by title only and waive full reading of Ordinance No. 3295, first reading of an Ordinance amending Section 9.20.010 of the Corona Municipal Code to clarify when a Special Event Permit is required, including when required by Chapter 12.24 or for any event involving the sale, possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages within City property or facilities authorized pursuant to Section 9.22.020 of the Corona Municipal Code.

ANALYSIS:

Corona Municipal Code ("CMC") Section 9.20.010 defines the term "special event" for purposes of when a special event permit is required to be obtained from the Police Department pursuant to Chapter 9.20.

The current definition provides as follows:

"9.20.010 Special event - Defined.

'Special event' shall mean any meeting, assembly, parade or other event open to the public and proposed to be conducted in or upon the public streets, highways or parks of the city."

While Section 9.20.010 is somewhat broadly worded, there are other CMC provisions that expressly provide when a Special Event Permit is required, and thus staff believes that CMC Section 9.20.010 should be revised to enhance its clarity by referencing such other CMC provisions. For instance,

CMC Section 9.22.020 provides that a Special Event Permit is required whenever alcoholic beverages wish to be sold, possessed, and/or consumed within certain listed City property or facilities. In addition, Chapter 12.24 requires groups of more than 25 individuals wishing to use public parks, recreation buildings/facilities, amenities and/or equipment to obtain a Special Event Permit.

Accordingly, staff believes that Section 9.20.010 would benefit from the following proposed clarifications:

“9.20.010 Special event - Defined.

‘Special event’ shall mean any meeting, assembly, parade or other event which meets any of the following: (1) is open to the public and proposed to be conducted in or upon the public streets, highways or parks of the city; (2) is open to the public, is proposed to be conducted in or upon the parks of the city, and meets the requirements for a special event provided for in Chapter 12.24 of this code; (3) involves the sale, consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages within city property or city facilities authorized to be used for such purposes pursuant to Section 9.22.020 of this code; or (4) is an event which otherwise requires a special event permit pursuant to a city resolution or ordinance, including any provision of this code.”

While this change does not substantively change how the City enforces Chapter 9.20, staff believes that the public will benefit from this more express definition of “Special Event” and that it will help eliminate the confusion that sometimes occurs with the more broad definition.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Not applicable.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This action is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. This action makes minor, clarifying changes to the City’s definition of special event and will not have a significant effect on the environment. Therefore, no environmental analysis is required.

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Attachments:

1. Redline
2. Final Ordinance No. 3295