

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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November 21, 2023

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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CELIA ZAVALA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

APPROVAL OF TWO ORDINANCES AMENDING TITLE 17 –
PARKS, BEACHES, AND OTHER PUBLIC AREAS
REGARDING PARK SAFETY AND
PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will adopt two ordinance amendments to the Los Angeles County Code Title 17, Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas, Chapter 17.04, Parks and Recreation Areas, to enhance park safety and codify permit requirements for events and activities at County parks.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed amendments to County Code Title 17 are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and the record.
- 2. Introduce, waive reading, and indicate its intent to approve and adopt the proposed ordinances amending to the County Code Title 17, Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas, Chapter 17.04, Parks and Recreation Areas, regarding park safety and permit requirements for events and activities.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The recommended action will adopt two ordinances amending Title 17, Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas Ordinance of the Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 17.04, Parks and Recreation Areas, for the removal and temporary exclusion of individuals endangering public safety, and permit

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requirements for events and activities at County parks. The proposed ordinances were developed by an internal working group consisting of subject matter experts at the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the Parks Bureau of the Sheriff's Department, and County Counsel.

Park Safety Ordinance (Section 17.04.260)

As the steward of the County's parklands, DPR recognizes the importance of park safety. Safe parks promote physical and mental health and well-being, encouraging people to enjoy a variety of recreational activities and connect with nature. Safe parks also create a welcoming environment for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to enjoy spaces and amenities offered by public parks and recreational facilities. In addition to the safety of our park visitors, ensuring the safety of park staff helps to prevent accidents, physical injuries, and property damage. SEIU has met regularly with DPR to ensure that the Park Safety Ordinance moves forward.

This Park Safety Ordinance was developed to enhance community safety at County parks. Specifically, the Ordinance will clarify existing County Code language regarding the removal and temporary exclusion of individuals who violate park rules and regulations, and authorize the Director of DPR (Director), Sheriff, or their respective designees to temporarily remove and exclude individuals from County parks who fail to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

There have been an increasing number of incidents at County parks, in which individuals verbally and physically abuse, assault, and/or threaten DPR staff and park patrons and vandalize and damage park facilities and vehicles. The Park Safety Ordinance is based on best practices and lessons learned from other jurisdictions, including Portland, Oregon, and the cities of Glendale, Montclair, and Roseville in California.

The proposed Park Safety Ordinance will strengthen public safety by allowing for a person to be removed from a park if their conduct or behavior is disruptive, incompatible with the purpose of the park or park facility or prevents others from safely enjoying the park or park facility. Furthermore, the proposed Park Safety Ordinance clarifies that any person removed from the park may not return for the remainder of the day and grants authority to the Director, Sheriff, or designees to exclude a person from the park for a set period, starting with 30 days.

The Park Safety Ordinance will require a warning to be issued before a removal or exclusion order is issued unless the behavior or conduct involves certain type of conduct, such as dangerous or threatening behavior violation of Parks Rules and Regulations in Chapter 17 of the County Code, or any other applicable law, rule, or regulation. Temporary exclusion may cover one park or multiple locations. The proposed ordinance establishes an appeal process to ensure due process and compliance with Federal and State laws. The Director will appoint hearing officers who will be tasked with holding administrative hearings and issuing written decisions.

In addition, DPR will develop and establish a program to implement Section 17.04.260, including, but not limited to, training staff on issuing warnings and exclusion orders; developing appropriate documentation and notice forms; establishing an appeals process; and maintaining a database of those persons excluded from parks or park facilities.

Permit Ordinance (Section 17.04.455)

This is a new ordinance to codify DPR's permit requirements for events, activities, and to reserve exclusive use of County parks and park facilities, or portions thereof. The Ordinance establishes fifteen (15) categories of uses that require a permit. The Permit Ordinance will inform the public of DPR's permit requirements and ensure the parks and park facilities are used in a manner to protect public property, public health and safety, and ensure the orderly and efficient use of the parks. This

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Permit Ordinance furthers the County's substantial interest in managing parks for the benefit and enjoyment of all members of the public. These compelling interests include: protecting public health, safety, and welfare; avoiding damage to park property; avoiding damage or overuse of natural resources; avoiding conflicts between scheduled uses; regulating activities that may impact surrounding communities; ensuring that events are conducted safely and with a point of contact; and ensuring that the parks remain available for the general public's use.

This Permit Ordinance establishes the permit application process on a first come, first-serve basis. Permittees are responsible for payment of Board-approved rental or use fees and compliance with risk management requirements such as insurance and indemnification. The Director may impose other reasonable terms and conditions; establish application deadlines; approve or deny permits as authorized by the ordinance; and suspend, terminate or revoke permits under certain circumstances. The Director may impose viewpoint-neutral, reasonable time place, and manner restrictions on permits for Expressive Activities, as defined in the Permit Ordinance.

On February 23, 2021, the Board approved revisions to DPR's facility rental fees for use of County park facilities. The Permit Ordinance does not implement any new permit or facility rental fees.

DPR shall adopt administrative regulations consistent with, and further the terms and requirements of the Permit Ordinance. The administrative regulations will be available on DPR's website.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions further the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goal III, Strategy III.3: Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability by clarifying and establishing processes for effectively operating DPR parks and recreational facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended actions will not require additional net County cost and will not have an impact on DPR's Operating Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County Counsel has prepared analyses and the ordinances amending Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas of the Los Angeles County Code to be presented to the Board of Supervisors for its consideration. The proposed amendments will impact subsection 17.04, Parks and Recreation Areas.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they are activities that are excluded from the definition of a project by section 21065 of the Public Resources Code and section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The proposed Ordinance Amendments to County Code Title 17 are organizational or administrative activities of government which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will enhance park safety and codify permit requirements for events and

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CONCLUSION

It is requested that an adopted copy of this documents be retained by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board, one adopted copy each be forward to the Chief Executive Office, County Counsel, and two adopted copies be forwarded to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Should you have any questions please contact Clement Lau at (626) 588-5301 or clau@parks.lacounty.gov or Astrid Ochoa at (626) 588-5355 or aochoa2@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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Enclosures

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Re: Ordinances Amending Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas

Dear Ms. Garcia-Gonzalez:

As requested, this office has prepared analyses and ordinances amending Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas of the Los Angeles County Code (collectively, "Ordinances").

The ordinance amending Section 17.04.260 ("Section 17.04.260 Ordinance") will authorize the code/peace enforcement officers, Department of Parks and Recreation ("Parks") Director ("Director"), Sheriff, or their respective designees to remove and exclude individuals from County parks who fail to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations. The Section 17.04.260 Ordinance establishes set periods, starting with 30 days for which an individual will be excluded from County parks, an appeal process, and database to keep track of exclusion orders. In addition to the Section 17.04.260 Ordinance, Parks will need to develop and establish a program to implement the Section 17.04.260 Ordinance, including, but not limited to, training staff, developing documentation for removal and exclusion orders, and establishing an appeals process.

The ordinance adding Section 17.04.455 ("Section 17.04.455 Ordinance") relates to permit requirements for events and activities. The Section 17.04.455 Ordinance codifies the permit application process on a first-come, first-serve basis and establishes 15 categories of uses that require a permit. The Section 17.04.455 Ordinance grants the Director express authority to impose reasonable terms and conditions, establish deadlines, approve and deny permits, and suspend, terminate or revoke permits under certain circumstances.

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The enclosed analyses and Ordinances may be presented to the Board of Supervisors for its consideration.

Very truly yours,

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APPROVED AND RELEASED:

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ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Open Areas of the Los Angeles County Code, with changes to Section 17.04.260, to authorize enforcement officials to remove and exclude individuals from County parks who fail to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations. This ordinance establishes set periods, starting with 30 days, for which an individual will be excluded, as well as an appeal process and a database to keep track of exclusion orders.

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ORDINANCE NO.	
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An ordinance amending Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas of the Los Angeles County Code, with changes to Section 17.04.260, to authorize enforcement officials to remove and exclude individuals from County parks who fail to comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations. This ordinance establishes set periods, starting with 30 days, for which an individual will be excluded, as well as an appeal process and a database to keep track of exclusion orders.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 17.04.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17.04.260 Compliance with <u>eChapter <u>pProvisions— - Removal and</u>

Temporary Exclusion of <u>vViolators aAuthorized wWhen.</u></u>

Permission to be within the limits of any park or park waters, as defined by this eChapter, or to use any facilities, is conditioned on-the person present in said park or park watersusers complying with all applicable provisions of this eChapter or any other applicable laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. A violation of any provision of this eChapter or of any order, rule, or regulation authorized by this eChapter, or of any other applicable law, ordinance, rule, or regulation will result in the person so violating in violation of being a trespasser-ab initio, whether in incorporated or unincorporated territory, and the a peace and/or code enforcement officer. Sheriff or Director, or their respective designees ("Enforcement Official"), may cause any such person to be removed or exclude the person from a park in accordance with this Section in addition to any other remedy or penalty.

Nothing in this Section will be construed to authorize the removal or exclusion of any person lawfully engaged in Expressive Activity, as defined in Section 17.04.455.l, or other constitutionally protected activity. However, a person lawfully exercising these protected rights but who commits an act that is not protected can be subject to removal or exclusion.

- A. For the purposes of this Section, removal is an order given by the Enforcement Official, directing a person to immediately leave a park and not return for the remainder of the day.
- B. For the purposes of this Section, exclusion is an order given by the Enforcement Official, directing a person to immediately leave a park and not return for the period of days specified in this Section.
- C. Before issuing an exclusion order, the person will be given a verbal or written warning describing the conduct giving rise to the exclusion and a reasonable opportunity to stop the conduct. An exclusion order will not be issued if the person promptly complies with the direction and stops the conduct. A warning is not required before issuing an exclusion order where the behavior, conduct, or activity constitutes one or more of the following:
 - 1. A felony, misdemeanor, or motor vehicle offense;
 - 2. Obscene, violent, riotous conduct in violation of Section 17.04.435;
- 3. Lighting or maintaining a fire in any park other than in a stove, fire circle, or area designated for such purpose in violation of Section 17.04.590;
 - 4. Results in property damage estimated to be \$1,000 or more;

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- 5. Dangerous or threatening behavior. Behavior is dangerous or threatening if a reasonable person exposed to or experiencing such behavior could believe that the person would be in imminent danger of physical harm. Actual bodily harm is not required; and
- 6. Conduct for which a documented prior exclusion order has been issued and not overturned on appeal.
- D. Written notice of the exclusion order will be provided to any person excluded. The notice will briefly describe the conduct and list the provision of law that is the basis for the exclusion; the date, length, and place of exclusion; a description of the process for filing an appeal; and a warning of the consequences for failure to comply.

 The exclusion notice shall be signed by the issuing Enforcement Official. The Director or Sheriff may use reasonable discretion to determine multiple park facilities for the exclusion.
- E. The exclusion order will be effective for 30 days, except as stated in paragraph F, during which time the violator may not return to the listed park or park facilities. A second exclusion within a 12-month period will be effective for 90 days.

 Additional exclusion orders issued within a 12-month period of the second exclusion order will be effective for 180 days. No exclusion order overturned on appeal will be counted.
- F. The duration of the first exclusion shall be 60 days, if one or more of the following occur:

A felony;

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- Property damage estimated to be \$1,000 or more; or
- 3. Dangerous or threatening behavior as defined in this Section.

 A second exclusion for a person described in this Subsection F within a 12-month

 period will be effective for 120 days. Additional exclusion orders issued within 12-month

 period of the second exclusion order for a person described in this Subsection F will be

 effective for 270 days. No exclusion order overturned on appeal will be counted.

G. Appeal.

- 1. "Hearing Officer" means the person designated by the Director who will conduct a fair and impartial hearing under this Chapter, including, but not limited to, the Office of the County Hearing Officer, if one has been created.
- 2. A person issued a notice of exclusion may appeal the notice within five days by filing a written appeal with a Hearing Officer designated by the Director.

 The written appeal shall include the exclusion notice number, a reason the person should not have been excluded, and a phone number, address or email at which the County may serve the cited individual a response to his or her request. Filing an appeal does not preclude the issuance of an exclusion order for a new violation of this Section.
- 3. Upon receipt of a timely and complete notice of appeal, a Hearing
 Officer will be appointed, and once appointed the Director will forward the notice of
 appeal and all relevant documents to the Hearing Officer. Upon filing of an appeal, the
 exclusion order will be stayed. The Hearing Officer will set an administrative hearing as
 provided by the Hearing Officer's procedures. The hearing shall be de novo. The
 exclusion order will be upheld if the Hearing Officer determines by a preponderance of

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exclusion is otherwise in accordance with the law. Evidence may include, without

limitation, witness testimony, documents, or other similar evidence. In lieu of personally
appearing at an administrative hearing, the cited individual may request that the Hearing

Officer decide the matter based on the notice, the written appeal, and any other
documentary evidence submitted prior to the hearing date.

- 4. The Hearing Officer shall issue a written decision responding to the appeal within 10 business days or as otherwise allowed by the Hearing Officer procedures. The decision of the Hearing Officer shall be final.
- H. The Department, the Sheriff, or other designee shall maintain an accurate database of those persons excluded from parks or park facilities by their respective employees.
- I. Notwithstanding Section 17.04.300.A, a violation of a removal or exclusion order is unlawful and may be charged as a misdemeanor, as provided by Section 1.24.010. Nothing in this Section limits the authority of the County to obtain an injunction prohibiting or restricting park access by any person.

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ORDINANCE 17.04.455

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends the Los Angeles County Code, Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas, by adding Section 17.04.455, to establish permit requirements for events and activities.

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ORDINANCE NO.	

An ordinance amending the Los Angeles County Code, Title 17 – Parks, Beaches, and Other Public Areas, by adding Section 17.04.455, to establish permit requirements for events and activities.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 17.04.455 is hereby added to read as follows:

17.04.455 Permit Requirements for Events and Activities

- A. Basic Requirement. Prior to holding an event or activity at a park of the type described in this Section, a permit must first be obtained from the Director for the exclusive use of that park or portion of that park. The events or activities that must first obtain a permit are those that involve:
- 1. An organized group or sponsored gathering of 25 persons or more at local and community parks and 50 persons or more at regional parks;
- 2. A wedding, wedding reception, memorial service, or other ceremonial event;
- 3. Temporary structures that exceed 10 feet by 10 feet, including, but not limited to, stage, tents, fencing, etc.;
 - 4. Events that occur outside of normal park hours of operation;
 - 5. The use of amplified sound;
 - 6. Alcohol, except as otherwise authorized by Section 17.04.440;
 - 7. Cooking, except as otherwise authorized by Section 17.04.590;
 - 8. The use of generators;

- 9. Animals of any kind, except as otherwise authorized by Sections 17.04.410, 17.04.411, 17.04.412, 17.04.420, and 17.04,430;
- 10. Firecrackers and explosives, except as otherwise authorized in Section 17.04.610;
- 11. Special events, commercial events, and/or sporting events, including, but not limited to, tournaments, marathons, 5K/10K runs, track meets, triathlons, organized walks, events requiring paid admissions, theatrical performances, carnivals, musical concerts, cultural and holiday celebrations, petting zoos, parades, and festivals and fairs;
 - 12. Commercial filming or photography;
- 13. Classes, lessons, clinics, training, recreational camps, day camps, and boot camps for children and/or adults with a non-Department of Parks and Recreation instructor, coach, coordinator, teacher, leader, and/or trainer, regardless of where the session begins or ends; and
- 14. A school or organized youth group event, including a field trip or athletic activity.
- 15. Any other activity or event determined by the Director to be the type requiring a license or permit subject to the limits set out in Section 2.26.140. A list of the additional activities for which permits are required shall be posted online on the Department of Parks and Recreation website and made available upon request.
- B. Application for Permit. Any person desiring to hold an event or activity that requires a permit shall file with the Department of Parks and Recreation reservation

office an application on a paper or electronic form furnished by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

- The Director may establish standard deadlines governing the minimum and maximum time in which applications must be submitted in advance of the proposed event; and
- 2. The Director may establish standard information required in the application, including, but not limited to, the name and contact information for the event organizer, dates and times of the event, necessary set up or take down time, location of the event, purpose of the event, whether any fees are to be charged to participants and spectators, any other information reasonably requested, and insurance information, if applicable.
 - C. Permit Issuance Conditions.
- 1. The Director, or designee, will grant or deny each application for a permit within a reasonable amount of time after the date of the Director's receipt of a completed application consistent with Subsection E, below. The applicant shall not consider the permit request granted until the application is deemed complete by the Director, the application is approved by the Director or designee, the fees owed to the County are paid, and the permit issued by the Director is received by the applicant.
- 2. The Director is authorized to require content-neutral, reasonable terms and conditions to permits, including, but not limited to, regulations of time, place, manner, frequency, duration, and maximum number of event attendees; payment or reimbursement for adequate law enforcement or security for the event; requirements for

insurance, hold harmless, and indemnification in favor of and protecting the County; additional sanitary facilities and refuse receptacles; proof of permitting from other agencies; mandated inspections; and bond/security for County costs incurred directly for the event.

3. The issuance of a permit does not obligate the Director or County to provide County services, equipment, or personnel in support of an event, although the Director may provide such services, equipment, or personnel, if they are available and the Permittee pays the County for the costs thereof.

D. Fees and Costs.

- 1. The Permittee shall be responsible for all event fees and costs, including, but not limited to: facility rental fees, if applicable; reimbursement of reasonable County costs expended specifically for the event; and any other fees approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- 2. If County property is destroyed or damaged by reason of Permittee's use, event, or activity, the Permittee shall reimburse the County for the actual replacement or repair cost of the destroyed or damaged property.
- E. Permit Issuance. Notwithstanding Subsection C.1, above, the Director shall approve a permit application unless one or more of the following apply:
- 1. A prior application for a permit to use the same location at the same time has been received, and such application has been or will be approved authorizing an activity, which does not reasonably permit multiple occupancy of the area;

- 2. The proposed activity would conflict with a previously planned program or event sponsored by the County and scheduled for the same location as that requested by the applicant;
- 3. The proposed activity is inconsistent with the purpose for which the facility or area has been established or designated;
- 4. The location selected is inappropriate because: the nature of the proposed activity or the number of persons expected in connection with the activity would be likely to damage trees, plants, or other vegetation, or public or private property; the activity would unduly disturb adjacent neighborhoods because of the nature of the proposed activity or the number of persons expected to be involved; or other activities have been scheduled in an area or areas near the location proposed by the applicant, or they normally occur in such area or areas, and permitting the proposed activity to occur in the proposed location would unreasonably interfere with park use and enjoyment by participants in such activities;
- 5. The applicant fails to obtain necessary approvals, permits, or licenses from other governmental departments or agencies;
- 6. The applicant has not complied with the procedural requirements established for the filing of permit applications;
- 7. The applicant fails or refuses to pay an applicable fee, which the Board of Supervisors has approved;
 - 8. The application contains misrepresentations of material fact;
 - 9 The proposed activity is prohibited by law;

- 10. The applicant refuses to comply with conditions reasonably imposed on approval of the permit application by the Director, to ensure that public or private property is not damaged and that the comfort, convenience, safety, and welfare of the public are not disturbed; and
- 11. The applicant has previously violated a permit, or damaged County property and has not paid in full for such damage or has other outstanding and unpaid debts related to a prior community event permit issued by the Department of Parks and Recreation.
- F. Decisions of the Director. Permits will be issued by the Director on a first-come, first-served basis. Whenever a permit application is denied, the Director shall inform the applicant of the reason for the denial. The decision of the Director on a permit application shall be final and shall not be subject to any administrative appeal. In the event the Director is made aware of an error in the decision, the Director may reconsider the permit application and grant or deny the application as authorized in this Section.

G. Violation of Permit.

1. Any person violating the terms and/or conditions of a permit issued pursuant to this Section, or any person participating in an event or activity without a properly issued permit, may be subject to removal from the park by a peace and/or code enforcement officer, the Sheriff, Director, or either of their respective designees ("Enforcement Official"), in addition to any other enforcement measure or penalty authorized by this Chapter or otherwise by law.

- 2. The Director may immediately suspend, terminate, or revoke a permit if the Permittee or any member of a group violates or fails to comply with any of the terms or conditions of the permit, or any of the rules, regulations, or laws associated with the permit. Such a violation or any failure to comply with a permit requirement may be used as a basis to deny any other applications for permits, as determined by the Director. All fees and deposits paid will be forfeited if a permit is suspended or revoked.
- H. Modification or Revocation of Permit. If an Enforcement Official has cause to believe that an event or activity conducted, pursuant to a permit issued under this Section, poses a danger to public health or safety, or that is in violation of any federal, State, or local law or ordinance, the Enforcement Official shall be authorized to modify or revoke such permit at any time during the event or activity.
 - I. Expressive Activities.
- 1. For the purposes of this Section, a "small group" is defined as 25 people or less at local and community parks and 50 people or less at regional parks. "Expressive Activity" means conduct, the sole or principal object of which is the expression, dissemination, or communication by verbal, visual, literary, or auditory means of opinion, views, or ideas. Expressive Activity includes, but is not limited to, religious services, marches, protests, speeches, or the distribution of literature related to the expression of opinion.
- 2. The Director may impose viewpoint-neutral, reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions on permits for Expressive Activities to protect the public property under the Director's care, to protect public health and safety, balance public

access and other uses of County parks, and any other compelling County interests.

Alternatively, the Director may propose alternate sites, times, dates, or modes for exercising Expressive Activity to avoid the requirement for a permit or permit condition.

- 3. If requested at the time of application and upon demonstration that the event is a constitutionally protected Expressive Activity, the Director may waive application and permit requirements and conditions requiring financial expenditure by Permittee, including, but not limited to, application or facility use fees, cost recovery, insurance, security deposits, and performance bonds. Notwithstanding, events that meet the criteria in Subsection A.1 to A.15, above, and involve non-protected activities are required to comply with application and permit requirements and conditions, including, but not limited to, fees and costs. Any application deadlines shall be waived for an application for a spontaneous Expressive Activity event, meaning that the Expressive Activity is prompted by contemporaneous news or affairs coming to the public knowledge less than 48 hours prior to such event.
- J. Use of County or Department Name. The Permittee shall not use the words "Los Angeles County," "County of Los Angeles," "Department of Parks and Recreation," or their associated seals or logos in the title or promotion of the special event without the Director's written authorization.
- K. Display of Community Event Permit. A copy of the event permit shall be displayed at the event site and shall be provided to any County official upon request.
- L. Interference with Permitted Activity Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to impede or interfere with any event for which an event permit has been issued.

M. Administrative Regulations. The Director shall adopt administrative regulations that are consistent with, and further, the terms and requirements set forth within this Chapter. All such administrative regulations must be in writing and available for review on the Department of Parks and Recreation's public website.

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