

ORDINANCE NO. 005-2022

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 106 STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES AT ARTICLE VII, SPECIAL EVENTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AT DIVISION 1, GENERALLY, SECTION 106-257, TITLED REGULATIONS RELATING TO SPECIAL EVENT; AT DIVISION 2-PERMIT, SECTION 106-281-REQUIRED; AT SECTION 106-282-APPLICATION AND AT SECTION 106-283-STANDARDS FOR ISSUANCE IN THE MANNER AND FORM SET FORTH BELOW; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 106 of the Town Code of Ordinances titled Streets, Sidewalks And Other Public Places, is hereby amended at Article VII, Special Events on Public Property, at Division 1, Generally, Section 106-257-Regulations Relating To Special Event; at Division 2, Permit, Section 106-281-Required at Section 106-282-Application and at Section 106-283 – Standard For Issuance, to read as follows:

***ARTICLE VII. SPECIAL EVENTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY
DIVISION 1. GENERALLY***

Sec. 106-257. Regulations relating to special event.

The following regulations shall apply to all special events held within the town:

- (1) There shall be held at the location requested no more than one special event ~~on any given day per month~~, without priority for any particular date, to be granted to the first person to submit a completed application designating that day. The town reserves the right to limit use of public spaces at any time to prevent overuse and/or adverse impacts to adjacent neighborhoods.
- (2) The maximum total duration of each special event and the assembly thereof shall be five hours.
- (3) Any signs, props or displays used in conjunction with the special event must be removed immediately after the time permitted for the special event has expired.
- (4) The use of banners, flags (other than flags of official governmental bodies), streamers, balloons or any similar devices, in connection with the event, shall be prohibited.
- (5) The use of decorated vehicles and trailers in connection with the event is prohibited.
- (6) The granting of a special event permit under this article shall not require the complete blockading of streets or intersections to vehicular traffic, and the town shall be empowered to apportion such streets and intersections for simultaneous use by special event participants and vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

- (7) The concentration of persons and/or vehicles at the special event will not interfere unduly with proper fire and police protection of, or ambulance service to, areas contiguous to the assembly area or other areas of the town.
- (8) There are sufficient parking places near to the site of the special event to accommodate the approximate number of automobiles reasonably expected to be driven to the special event.
- (9) The event is not otherwise in violation of ordinances or regulations of the town or the state or of federal law.

DIVISION 2. PERMIT

Sec. 106-281. Required.

No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form or start any special event unless a special event permit shall have first been obtained from the town manager or his/her designee. No permit shall be required and none of the limitations above shall apply for special events officially sponsored by the town government and/or approved by the town council, nor shall the regulations set forth in this division 2 apply to such special events.

Sec. 106-282. Application.

- (a) *Required.* A person seeking issuance of a special event permit shall file an application with the town clerk's office on forms provided by the town.
- (b) *Filing.* A completed application for a special event permit, providing all information required herein, shall be filed with the town clerk's office not less than 45 days (or a shorter period of time as deemed appropriate at the discretion of the town manager) and not more than nine months for residents and ~~seven~~four months for non-residents before the date on which it is proposed to conduct the special event.
- (c) *Contents.* The application for a special event permit shall set forth the following information:
 - (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person seeking to conduct such a special event.
 - (2) The purpose of the special event.
 - (3) If the special event is proposed to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization, and of the authorized and responsible heads of such organization.
 - (4) The date on which the special event is to be conducted.
 - (5) The exact hours the special event is to be conducted.
 - (6) The name or type of event.
 - (7) The exact location of the event.
 - (8) The approximate number of participants and spectators.
 - (9) A detailed description of the activity or activities, including whether or not the event requires support facilities such as traffic control, parking volume, crowd control.
 - (10) The name of the applicant's insurance company for the event and proof of insurance. The town shall be named as additional insured on a policy of liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00. The Town of Palm Beach reserves the right to require

additional coverages and limits based upon the particular special event proposed by the applicant. If the special event applicant maintains higher limits than the minimums shown below, the town requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the applicant.

- (11) The signature of the applicant.
 - (12) The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be responsible for the conduct of the special event (i.e., special event chair).
 - (13) Provisions for cleanup after conclusion of the special event. The applicant shall be responsible for costs of complete and immediate cleanup.
- (d) *Fees.* The following fees in accordance with the fee schedule adopted by the town council by resolution as may be amended from time to time:
- a. An administrative processing fee;
 - b. A refundable damage deposit, if applicable;
 - c. A usage fee prepaid for the hours requested to hold the proposed special event, if applicable.

Sec. 106-283. Standards for issuance.

The town manager shall issue a special event permit, when from consideration of the application and from such other information as may otherwise be obtained, he/she finds that:

- (1) No other applicant has obtained a permit for the date requested.
- (2) The special event applicant has agreed in writing to abide by all provisions set forth in this article.
- (3) All required information is set forth in the application and is in accordance with all provisions set forth in this article.
- (4) The concentration of persons and vehicles at assembly points of the special event will not interfere with the proper fire and police protection of or ambulance services to areas contiguous to such assembly areas.
- (5) The conduct of such special event will not interfere with the movement of police and fire rescue vehicles and equipment en route to a fire or the movement of emergency medical services equipment en route to an emergency.
- (6) The special event is not being held for the purpose of advertising any product, goods or event, and shall not be held for private profit or fund raising, unless the applicant is a 501(c)3 non-profit, in which a charitable solicitation permit would also be required.
- (7) The conduct of the special event will not substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of pedestrian or vehicular traffic contiguous to the place of the special event.
- (8) The conduct of the special event will not result in damage to town-owned property or constitute a hazard to the safety of other persons within the immediate vicinity of the event.
- (9) No event is scheduled elsewhere in the town where the town's resources required for that event are so great that the deployment of resources for the proposed assembly would have an immediate and adverse effect upon the welfare and safety of persons and property.

- (10) An original certificate of insurance was supplied to the town naming the town as additional insured on a policy of liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 or an amount higher based upon the particular special event proposed.

~~Applications for the use of Phipps Plaza Park shall receive town council approval prior to the issuance of a special events permit. Said requirement shall automatically expire after three years from the adoption of Ordinance 29-2019.~~

Applications for the use of Phipps Plaza Park, Memorial Park and Lake Drive Park shall not be accepted, as special event permits shall not be issued for the use of these properties for non-governmental events.

Applications for special events that involve leaving the primary event location (public or private properties) to utilize public sidewalks, streets and/or bike paths shall receive town council approval prior to the issuance of a special event permit and shall be subject to section 106-288.1.

Section 2. Severability.

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

Section 3. Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict.

All other ordinances of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, or parts thereof, which conflict with this or any part of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Codification.

This Ordinance shall be codified and made a part of the official Code of Ordinances of the Town of Palm Beach.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval, as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in a regular, adjourned session of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach on first reading this 8th day of March 2022, and for second and final reading on this 12th day of April 2022.

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor

Margaret A. Zeidman, Town Council President

Bobbie Lindsay, Council President Pro Tem

Julie Araskog, Town Council Member

Edward A. Cooney, Town Council Member

Lewis S.W. Crampton, Town Council Member

ATTEST:

Patricia Gayle-Gordon, Acting Town Clerk