



AUSTIN MUSIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20141007-002

Date: October 9, 2014

Subject: Special Events Ordinance

Motioned By: Brad Spies

Seconded By: Marc Fort

Recommendation

To table any forward movement on the draft Special Event ordinance as currently constructed.

Description

Based on Commissioner feedback and across-the-board public feedback that the ordinance, as constructed, does not accomplish the mandates set forth by Council Resolution 20120524-089, we hereby respectfully request to Council that the draft Special Event ordinance be removed from any future Council agendas or consideration.

Everyone commended staff for their effort over the past 30 months, but felt that pausing was better than moving forward.

The Music Commission asked Staff to come back at our next meeting with a presentation on:

- The current status and work flow description of the Special Event process
- What has changed in the last 30 months based on ACE co-location and lessons learned
- Any low-hanging fruit in terms of process, departmental structure, or amendments to existing codes that could address the Council mandate in a more efficient manner

The Music Commission, Staff, City Legal, and many other boards, commissions, and public input sessions have spent a tremendous amount of time on this issue over the past two years. We are sad that it has come to this, but there is almost universal agreement that the draft ordinance, as currently constructed, is not workable.

Vote: 6-0

For: Brad Spies, Marc Fort, Rich Garza, Heather Wagner Reed, Lindsey Sokol, Nakia Reynoso

Against:

Abstain:

Absent: Joseph Stallone

Attest: *[Staff or board member can sign]*



Ashley Buchanan, Music Program Coordinator