

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Ray Baray, Chief of Staff

DATE: November 1, 2017

SUBJECT: 3rd Reading Postponement of Proposed Special Events Ordinance

The purpose of this memo is to inform you that staff will be bringing forward the proposed Special Events Ordinance for 3rd reading consideration at the December 7th Council meeting.

As you may recall, City Council approved the proposed SEO on second reading at your August 31st meeting, and at that time, directed staff to return in October with administrative rules for the Ordinance, in addition to meeting with stakeholders to receive their feedback on those very same rules.

However, due to the many special events that were held in September and October (e.g. Pecan Street Festival, Austin City Limits Festival, among others), staff was unable to devote the time necessary to draft the rules until late last month. As a result, the stakeholder meeting did not occur. Staff anticipates holding that meeting in mid-November, ensuring sufficient time to gather, analyze and incorporate stakeholder feedback into the rules for your consideration in December.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Bill Manno, Corporate Special Events Manager, at (512) 974-2110 or via email at <u>William.Manno@austintexas.gov</u>. Thanks!

cc: Elaine Hart, Interim City Manager
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