

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-10-055

**AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING CHARGING AND COLLECTING
APPLICATION FEES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS**

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (“City”) is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2017, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2017-08-049 providing for the regulation of public events (UCC Secs. 14-51 *et seq.*) (hereinafter, the “Public Events Ordinance”); and

WHEREAS, Section 14-58 (UCC Sec. 14-58(a)) of the Public Events Ordinance provides that: “The City shall collect a special event ... application permit fee in the amount provided for in the city’s published fee schedule at the time the application for a permit is received. The application fee, at the city's discretion and depending on the nature of the event may be charged for each day the event is scheduled to take place. A sponsor of a free speech event scheduled to occur within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the event is organized to occur shall not be required to pay a permit application fee.”; and

WHEREAS, the City is contemplating amending the Public Events Ordinance based on its experience applying and enforcing the said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it appropriate to temporarily suspend until some time in the future the charging and collection of the application permit fee for special event permit applications as provided in UCC Sec. 14-58(a).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.

The charging and collection of a fee for processing special event permit applications, as provided in UCC Sec. 14-58(a) shall be and hereby is temporarily suspended, effective immediately upon the adoption of this Ordinance through June 30, 2020.

Section 2.

Those sections, paragraphs, and provisions of the Urbana City Code that are not expressly amended or repealed by this Ordinance are hereby re-enacted, and it is expressly declared to be the intention of this Ordinance not to repeal or amend any portions of the Urbana City Code other than those expressly set forth as amended or repealed in this Ordinance. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Ordinance hereby passed and approved shall not invalidate other sections or provisions thereof.

Section 3.

This Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or a liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing prior to the effective date of this Ordinance; nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

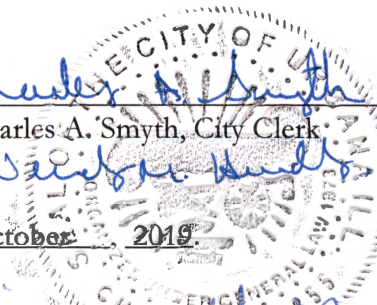
This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, of a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a meeting of said Council.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 7th day of October, 2019.

AYES: Brown, Hazen, Hursey, Jakobsson, Miller, Wu

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:


Charles A. Smyth by
Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk
Wendy A. Smith Deputy Clerk
Diane Wolfe Marlin
Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 8th day of October, 2019.