
EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 20-03
TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF
ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS

Effective Date: Wednesday, May 20, 2020

EXPLANATION: This Emergency Order temporarily suspends the holding of public and special events on any City owned, leased or operated public property and the granting of permits for such events as otherwise provided in Urbana City Code Chapter 14-51 *et. seq.*

AUTHORITY TO ISSUE EMERGENCY ORDER: Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 – Temporary Emergency Order to Address the COVID-19 Virus Pandemic, Section 13; Ordinance No. 2020-04-024 – Reaffirmation of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 and Reissuance of Mayor’s Authority to Issue Temporary Declaration of Emergency; and Governor Pritzker’s Executive Order (COVID-19 No. 32).

ISSUER OF EMERGENCY ORDER 20-03: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor.

Pursuant to Section 13 of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015, as reaffirmed by Ordinance No. 2020-04-024, I, Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor of the City of Urbana, Illinois, do hereby issue Emergency Order 20-03 as follows:

1. Current Urbana City Code Requirement.

Urbana City Code Section 14-51 defines “special event” as any organized event held on City-owned, leased or operated real property on a temporary or short term basis where City resources may or will be allocated or deployed in connection with the event or where alcoholic liquor will be served for consumption on or off the site of the event.

Urbana City Code Section 14-52 requires that in order to conduct a special event, the sponsor must apply for and obtain a special event permit from the City.

With some exceptions, events requiring special events permits focus on large gatherings of people, which would be contrary to existing executive orders issued by the Governor including but not limited to the Governor’s Executive Order (COVID-19 No. 32) Section 2.3. – Prohibited Activities.

2. Temporary Suspension Special Events and Special Event Permits.

Since the World Health Organization, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary, the Governor of the State of Illinois, and the State Emergency Management Agency have declared that large public gatherings threaten human life, health and safety, pursuant to Urbana City Code Section 14-53(h), issuance of all permits for special events sought to be held on City owned, leased or operated real property shall be and hereby are suspended until and including September 7, 2020. Further, whether with or without a special event permit, all special events to be held on City owned, leased or operated real property shall be and hereby are banned until and including September 7, 2020.

3. Voiding of Previously Issued Special Event Permits.

Any and all special event permits heretofore issued shall be and hereby are void.

4. Duration of Temporary Suspension of Special Events and Issuance of Special Event Permits.

This Emergency Order shall expire at 11:59:59 p.m. on September 7, 2020 unless sooner extended. If prior to that date and time the Governor suspends or terminates his requirements on social distancing, size of public gathering limitations, or other steps taken to prevent or minimize the spread of COVID-19 then in effect, the City may commence issuing special event permits and allowing special events to occur on City owned, leased or operated real property.

5. Conditions Placed on Future Special Events and Permits.

Any special event permit issued by the City shall be consistent with the Governor's and the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District then operable orders, directives or guidelines. The City may include in any issued special event permit such conditions as the City deems necessary or appropriate in order to comply with the Governor's or the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District's then operable orders, directives or guidelines for protecting and promoting the health and welfare of event attendees and citizens of the City.

DATE:



ATTEST:

[Handwritten Signature]
City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk

[Handwritten Signature: Diane Wolfe Marlin]
Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05-029

RATIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER 20-03 “TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS” ISSUED ON MARCH 20, 2020

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 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 March 16, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2020-03-015, Temporary Emergency Ordinance to Address the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2020-04-024, Reaffirmation of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 and reissuance of the Mayor's authority to issue temporary declaration of emergency;

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020 and pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 and Ordinance No. 2020-04-024, the Mayor issued Emergency Order 20-03 – Temporary Suspension of Issuance of Special Events Permits; and

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Ordinance No. 2020-03-015 provides that all emergency orders issued by the Mayor shall be subject to review and ratification by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed Emergency Order 20-03 and believes that it benefits public health, safety and welfare residents, businesses and visitors in and to the City of Urbana.

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

Section 1.

The City Council, after reviewing Emergency Order 20-03, hereby ratifies and confirms the said Emergency Order and the same shall remain in full force and effect until the Governor of the State of Illinois lifts or terminates his disaster declaration or the Mayor lifts or terminates her Declaration

of Emergency, whichever is later. Notwithstanding, the immediate foregoing, the City Council shall have the authority to repeal this Ordinance prior to the lifting or termination of the Governor's disaster declaration and the Mayor's Declaration of Emergency.

Section 2.

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.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ___th day of ____, 2020.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ___th day of ____, 2020.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor