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TO: City Council Members; Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

CC: John Collins, Operations Manager

FROM: James Simon, City Attorney

RE: Draft Special Events Ordinance.

The City Attorney has reviewed and carefully considered the Committee of the Whole's ("COW") expressed concerns regarding several issues relating to the proposed special events ordinance which was first presented for consideration at the August 28, 2017 COW meeting. The issues raised during the August 28th meeting are discussed below. Further, Mayor Marlin requested that language be inserted which addresses residential block parties.

<u>Concealed Firearms at Events:</u> Several COW members expressed concern about individuals bringing concealed firearms to special and/or free speech events since Illinois allows its citizens to conceal and carry firearms if licensed to do so. 430 ILCS 66/1 *et seq.* Illinois' Firearm Concealed Carry Act expressly states that people holding concealed carry licenses –

... shall not knowingly carry a firearm on or into: ...

(10) Any public gathering or special event conducted on property open to the public that requires the issuance of a permit from the unit of local government, provided this prohibition shall not apply to a licensee who must walk through a public gathering in order to access his or her residence, place of business, or vehicle.

430 ILCS 66/65(a)(10). Thus, no change is need to the draft ordinance since the issue is covered under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act.

Special Event Applications by Persons 18 or Older: One COW member requested that the draft ordinance allow persons eighteen (18) years of age or older to apply for special event permits if the event will not in any way involve or include the sale, service or consumption of alcoholic liquor at the event. This change has been made. See, Section 14-52(d)(1).

Free Speech Events: There was quite a bit of discussion regarding whether and how to deal with free speech events within the proposed ordinance. A number of divergent approaches to regulating free speech events were suggested: (i) not including any language to regulate free speech events; (ii) requiring an event permit for any event, regardless of its nature, whenever any City resource is likely to be allocated, deployed or used; (iii) including general language to regulate free speech events but without specifically identifying them as "free speech events"; and

(iv) including language which directly and specifically addresses free speech events. Each option is discussed below.

Option 1 – Not Addressing Free Speech Events – The City Council could approve an ordinance which does not seek to regulate free speech events in any particular manner regardless of whether City resources might be needed for such an event. Thus, City staff would be left to interpret whether or not the term "special event" includes free speech events. Such option would require the City staff to make a case-by-case determination whether a free speech event constitutes a "special event" as defined in the proposed ordinance. Over time, this option could lead to inconsistent determinations thereby providing no clear guidance to sponsors of free speech events. Likewise, this option could water down one of the main purposes of the proposed ordinance – i.e., advance notice to the City when a free speech event might occur which, if the City was notified, would allow it City to have resources ready if needed. Further, this option does not address issues related to spontaneous free speech events which occur in response or reaction to events of local, regional, national, or international significance. The City currently (through policy rather than an ordinance) regulates free speech events.

Option 2 – Requiring Sponsors of All Events to Obtain Permits – The City Council could require that sponsors of any type of event which might require City resources to obtain a special event permit regardless of the nature of the of event. This option would apply to sponsors of free speech events. Again, this option would not address the spontaneous free speech event situation. If all events were treated identically, a sponsor of a spontaneous free speech event could be deemed in violation of the ordinance for failing to obtain an event permit notwithstanding the time constraints for obtaining such a permit. Given that free speech events are unique insofar the sponsors' and attendees' constitutional rights and issues regarding prior restraint, this option could be found unconstitutional as a prior restraint on free speech. U.S. Const. Amend. 1; Church of American Knights of Ku Klux Klan v. City of Gary, Indiana, 334 F.3d 676 (7th Cir. 2003).

Option 3 – Inclusion of General Language Regarding Free Speech Type Events Without Using the Terms "Free Speech" or "Free Speech Event" – The City Council could include language which, when construed, would regulate free speech events without using the terms "free speech" or "free speech event." Again, this option very likely would lead to confusion on the part of sponsors insofar as whether their events were "special events" or some other type of event as well as requiring case-by-case determinations by City staff whether a permit is required for a free speech event. Further, the failure to address "free speech events" specifically might be found by a court to be nothing more than a ruse which could allow for an unconstitutional prior restraint on speech.

Option 4 – Addressing the Regulation of Free Speech Events Directly – The City Council could include language which specifically and directly addresses free speech events. By doing so, sponsors would be put on notice that they will need to obtain a free speech event permit where such events are planned well in advance of the date of the event or, at the very least, put the City on notice when a free speech event with little advance planning will take place. Likewise, the City will have time to allocate and, if necessary, deploy resources for such events. Further, the inclusion of language which expressly deals with free speech events will give City staff direct guidance on how such events may be regulated. The City Attorney has included language in the proposed ordinance which directly addresses regulation of free speech events.

Organized Free Speech Events and Spontaneous Free Speech Events: One or two COW members expressed concern about spontaneous free speech events – i.e., those which occur on very short notice in response to local, regional, national, and international events. The example given was the gathering at Willard Airport within hours after President Trump issued his Travel Ban Executive Order.

The Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals considered an ordinance which did not provide for or attempt to address issues uniquely related to spontaneous free speech events such as the one held at Willard Airport. In *Church of American Knights of Ku Klux Klan v. City of Gary, Indiana*, the Seventh Circuit struck down the City of Gary's events ordinance insofar as Gary applied it to free speech events on grounds that it contained no distinction, in terms when a permit application must be submitted to that city, between a free speech event which was planned days or weeks in advance of the event and spontaneous free speech events. 334 F.3d 676, 682 (7th Cir. 2003).

The City Attorney has included language in the proposed ordinance which differentiates between those free speech events which are organized sufficiently in advance to allow the sponsor to apply for and obtain a permit and those which are spontaneous in nature. Essentially, the proposed language provides that a spontaneous free speech event is one which arises within 48 hours following the event which gives rise to the call to assemble. A sponsor of a spontaneous free speech event must notify the City of the date, time and location of and identify the sponsor of the event. Notice may be given by e-mail or hand-delivery to the Police Department at its front desk on the first floor of the City Building. A sponsor of a free speech event which are scheduled to occur more than 48 hours from the time when the event is to occur must apply for and obtain a free speech event permit.

"A Rose by Any Other Name ...": Several COW members expressed concern that a sponsor may seek to circumvent the ordinance by claiming that his/her event is a "free speech event" rather than a "special event" or that his/her "free speech event" was a "spontaneous free speech event" rather than one which was planned well in advance. This problem can be minimized if the City Council chooses to include language within the proposed ordinance which specifically addresses free speech events. Likewise, this problem can be addressed through the enforcement mechanism included in the proposed ordinance. It would not be difficult, looking in hindsight, to determine the nature of the event. Free speech events typically involve gatherings to exercise free speech and/or to petition government to redress grievances as provided for in the First Amendment. U.S. Const. Amend. I. On the other hand, a special event typically involves some form of entertainment and includes an exchange of money or other commercial purpose – whether for profit or not-for-profit. Special events often include sales of tickets, sales or service of food and/or beverages, cover charges/entrance fees, and entertainment as a primary feature. Further, the events can be distinguished by the nature of the sponsor, how the event was promoted, and where the event occurred.

Residential Block Parties: As noted above, Mayor Marlin has requested the City Attorney to include language in the proposed ordinance which deals with residential block parties. This inclusion required some minor changes to a number of provisions so that they specially deal with residential block parties.

<u>Parades:</u> As discussed during the August 28th COW meeting, parades are addressed in UCC Secs. 23-110 *et seq.* and, thus, have not been included in the proposed ordinance pending before the COW.

<u>Champaign Code of Ordinances:</u> Chapter 24 of Champaign's Code of Ordinances (cited as "CCO") deals with "parades, assemblies and public gatherings." Champaign defines "assembly" as –

any event designed, promoted or conducted in order to encourage the gathering of people upon public property at a specified location and shall include any farmer's market, flea market, ceremony, show, <u>demonstration</u>, exhibition, street dance, pageant, party, circus, concert, sporting event, game or similar activity, <u>except</u> that <u>a residential block event or parade shall not be considered an assembly for the purposes of this article</u>.

CCO 24-16, emphasis supplied. The use of the term "demonstration" in Champaign's ordinance is an indication that this section very likely applies to free speech events. Champaign addresses residential block parties in a different section of its ordinances.

Champaign's ordinance requires a sponsor of any event (including "demonstrations") to submit a permit application at least 30 days prior to the planned event. Champaign's ordinance does not address spontaneous free speech events. Likewise, Champaign's ordinance addresses events held on private property as well as public property. CCO Sec. 24-41 states:

No person shall hold, manage or conduct any public gathering or entertainment of any kind in the City, in any building or structure other than a building or structure constructed and maintained in full compliance with the ordinances and laws pertaining thereto for auditorium, theater or lodgeroom purposes.

CCO Sec. 24-43 states:

Any person conducting, calling for or managing any gathering in any building or structure other than a theater, lodge-roof or auditorium building constructed as provided in this article, shall notify the Clerk of the date of such intended use at least ten (10) days before such meeting is to take place. Upon such notice the Fire Chief or the Director of Building Safety shall inspect the premises to determine whether or not it complies with the provisions hereof.

For the most part, however, Champaign's ordinance on events is quite similar to the proposed ordinance now pending before the COW.

Attachments: Attached to this memorandum are three items. The first item is an adopting ordinance which, if approved, enacts the proposed ordinance which is attached as an exhibit. The second item is one version of the aforesaid exhibit which includes language which specifically addresses free speech events and residential block parties. The underlining and strikethroughs represent language to be added and deleted, respectively, from the Urbana City Code. The third item is a version of the same exhibit but which only highlights (through underlining) the language added to address free speech events and residential block parties. It

should also be noted that both exhibits include language which states the bases on which the City may deny a permit application. The City Attorney believes that inclusion of such language is appropriate in order to put sponsors of events on notice when their applications for permit might be denied.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Attorney recommends that the proposed ordinance, as edited to address COW members' expressed concerns, be moved on the City Council with a recommendation that it be adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. <u>2017-08-049</u>

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTERS 1 AND 14

(Regulating special events.)

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 not otherwise expressly reserved to the State of Illinois by legislation, including the power to provide for the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council heretofore has enacted Urbana City Code Section 1-18, concerning "Minimum fine schedule for certain violations", and Urbana City Code Chapter 14, concerning "Licenses and Permits"; and

WHEREAS, heretofore, Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing approved a policy concerning the holding of special events, free speech events, parades, and residential block parties within the City in order to provide for the reasonable regulation of such events in order to protect public health, safety and welfare during such events; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the public health, safety, and welfare will best be protected by amending Urbana City Code Section l-18, "Minimum fine schedule for certain violations:, and Chapter 14, concerning "Licenses and Permits" as provided in the Exhibit appended hereto and made a part hereof.

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

Section 1.

Urbana City Code Chapter 1, "General Provisions", Section 1-18, concerning "Minimum fine schedule for certain violations", and Urbana City Code Chapter 14, concerning "Licenses and Permits", shall be and hereby are amended as provided in the Exhibit appended hereto and made a part hereof with language to be deleted appearing with strikethroughs and language to be added appearing as underlined.

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 that which is expressly set forth as amended by 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.

Section 4.

The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with Section 1-2-4 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

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	day	of,	·
AYES:			
NAYS:			
ABSENT:			
ABSTAINED:			
		Charles A. Smyth	a, City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this	_ day of	,	•
		Diane Wolfe Mar	rlin, Mayor

EXHIBIT

Chapter 1 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 1-18. – Minimum fine schedule for certain violations.

13-5	Unlawful removal of articles.	300.00
13-6	Those prohibited from use not to visit	300.00
Chapter 14	Permits and Licenses	
14-59	Violation of events ordinance – special events.	300.00
14-59	Violation of events ordinance – free speech events.	25.00
14-59	Violation of events ordinance – residential block parties	25.00
Chapter 15	Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions]	
15-3	Hindering city officer or employee	300.00

Chapter 14 - LICENSES AND PERMITS

ARTICLE I. – IN GENERAL

<u>Sec. 14-0.01 – Exception.</u>

This article I shall be applicable to article II only insofar as expressly provided for in this article I.

Sec. 14-2. - Application of chapter article to liquor licenses.

Nothing in this <u>chapter article</u> shall be construed to apply to liquor licenses, except the fees for such licenses shall be as set forth in the schedule in section 14-7.

Sec. 14-5. - Investigation; issuance; denial; appeal.

(a) The mayor or his/her designee shall assign some officer of the city to be the approving authority for each permit or license required by the city under this chapterarticle. The approving authority so designated shall be the person responsible for conducting a proper investigation to determine whether such license or permit should be issued.

Sec. 14-11. - Location.

No license for the operation of a business or establishment in the city shall be construed to permit the operation of a licensed business or establishment in more than one location in the city; a separate license shall be required for each location of a licensed establishment. For the purpose of this chapterarticle, the existence of a single location shall be evidenced by the fact that all buildings containing the principal or accessory uses shall be connected or shall be located on the same lot or parcel, shall be operated and managed by the same person or owner, and shall be an establishment with the same classification.

Sec. 14-18. - Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall be convicted of violating any provision of this chapter article shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each such offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

<u>Secs. 14-20 – 14-50. – Reserved.</u>

ARTICLE II. – PUBLIC EVENTS

Sec. 14-51. Definitions.

For purposes of this article, the following definitions shall apply:

City resources. "City resources" means any of the following:

- (a) equipment, supplies and other personal property owned, leased or operated by the city;
- (b) city employees, elected or appointed officials, and other persons retained by the city on an independent contractor basis; and
- (c) real property owned, leased or operated by the city including but not limited to buildings, parking lots, parkways, other public rights-of-way.
- *Sponsor.* "Sponsor" means any person who seeks to hold, host, conduct, or operate or who holds, conducts, hosts, or operates a special event within the geographic boundaries of the city.
- Private property. "Private property" means any real property which is not owned or leased by a unit of local, county, state or federal government.
- Owner. "Owner" means any person who owns or leases private property on which any part of a special event will be or is held or hosted.
- Special event. "Special event" means any activity conducted or held or to be conducted or held on city owned, leased or operated real property and/or on private property within the city's geographic boundaries on a temporary or short term basis where any of the following is present
 - (a) The sponsor requests or will request the city to allocate or deploy any city resource in connection with the sponsor's event.

- (b) The city determines city resources may or must be allocated, deployed or used in connection with the sponsor's planned event and provides written notice to the sponsor of such determination in advance of the event.
- (c) The sponsor will be selling or serving or will be allowing another person to sell or serve alcoholic liquor for consumption on or off the site of the event or allow a person to consume alcoholic liquor at the site of and during the event.

The term "special event" includes all dates and times necessary to set-up, operate, conduct, takedown the event, and clean up the event site. The term "special event" shall not include free speech events and residential block parties as defined in this article.

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Free speech event. "Free speech event" means any assembly of fifty (50) or more persons who
gather in a location for the purpose of exercising their right to speak freely, peaceably assemble,
and/or petition their government for a redress of a grievance as guaranteed by the First Amendment
to the United States Constitution.
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Residential block party. "Residential block party" means a social event held in whole or in part on a public right-of-way for persons who reside in the immediate area where such event occurs and
which usually involves residents of two or more properties along one or both sides of city property
(usually, but not limited to, a neighborhood street, park, parkway, or intersection) where 50% or
more of the contiguous properties are zoned residential.
Permit. "Permit" means written authorization issued by the city to a sponsor to set-up,
operate, hold, conduct, and take-down, as the case may be, a special event, free speech event, or
residential block party in the manner described in an application for issuance of such written
authorization. The term "permit" shall including any lawful event restrictions placed on a special
event or free speech event.
Event restrictions. "Event restrictions" means any restriction, limitation or security plan which is included with any permit issued or imposed on the special event for the purpose of preventing any
threat to human life, health or safety or property.
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Permit application fee. "Permit application fee" means the fee charged, if any, by the city in
connection with accepting and processing an application to conduct a special event, free speech
event or residential block party.
Event services fee. "Event services fee" means the reasonable monetary value, as determined by
the city, of city resources which are allocated, deployed and/or used by the city in connection with a
special event or free speech event.
Authorized officer. "Authorized officer" means the director of the city's public works

Section 14-52. Event applications, permits, deadlines, late applications.

department and his/her designee.

- (a) Permit required/expiration. Except as provided in subsections 14-52(b), no person shall conduct or hold a special event, free speech event or residential block party without first obtaining a permit for such event. A permit may be issued for a special event, free speech event or residential block party planned to last more than one day. Any permit issued pursuant to this article shall expire upon the conclusion of the event.
- (b) Exemptions. The following special events shall be exempt from the requirement of obtaining a permit except as provided in subsection 14-52(c):
 - (1) Events hosted by the city which has been approved by the mayor or city council.
 - (2) Events hosted by units of government other than the city which are held wholly on that government's property or where the government is acting within its scope of authority; or
 - (3) Events held by an elected constitutional officer of the State of Illinois or the United States so long as the event is constitutes official business of the State of Illinois or the United States where the event is open to the public in general but is not a campaign event.
 - (4) Funeral processions.
 - (5) Events hosted by liquor licensees where such events are confined wholly within the licensee's establishment and where the licensee has adopted a security plan as provided in chapter 3 of this code.
 - (6) Any event which is confined wholly within the walls of the city-owned Civic Center where
 - a. no alcoholic liquor will be sold or served; or
 - b. alcoholic liquor will be sold or served for consumption wholly within the walls of the Civic Center pursuant to a valid Urbana liquor license and where the liquor licensee has adopted a security plan as provided in chapter 3 of this code.
 - (7) Any event which is to be held solely on private residential property and for which no city resources will be allocated.
- (c) Permit required notwithstanding subsection 14-52(b) exemption.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in subsection 14-52(b):

- (1) If a person conducts or hosts an event which was exempt under subsection 14-52(b) but to which city resources were deployed to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property, such person shall be required to obtain a permit in order to hold or host any future similar event within the twelve-month period following the last date of the event to which city resources were deployed
- (2) Within ten (10) business days after the last date of the event which was exempt pursuant to subsection 14-52(b) but to which city resources were required to be deployed, the city

shall provide written notice to the person who sponsored the aforesaid event. The notice shall provide:

- a. that the person who sponsored the event which was exempt pursuant to subsection 15-52(b) shall be required to obtain a permit for any similar event which the said person seeks to conduct or host within the twelve-month period commencing with the last date of the event to which city resources were deployed;
- b. the date when the said twelve-month period shall commence and end;
- c. the reason or reasons for requiring a permit for any similar event held within the said twelve-month period notwithstanding subsection 14-52(b); and
- d. such other information, if any, as the authorized officer deems appropriate.

(d) Application for events.

- (1) Applications. In the case of a special event which will include or allow for the sale, service or consumption of alcoholic liquor, the sponsor applicant must be age twenty-one (21) years or older. In the case of a special event which will not include or allow the sale or service of alcoholic liquor, the sponsor applicant must be age eighteen (18) years or older. A sponsor of a special event shall provide all information and agree to such terms and conditions as required on an application. Applications for permits shall be available from the city's public works department.
- (2) Time and place for submitting application for permit.
 - a. Special events. An application for a special event permit shall be submitted to the authorized officer at least forty-five (45) business days in advance of the earliest date scheduled for the special event.
 - b. Free speech events.
 - 1. Free Speech Event Policy. Nothing in this article shall be deemed or construed as limiting, restricting or otherwise interfering with any person's lawful free speech rights afforded under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 1, Section 4 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.
 - 2. Events scheduled in advance. If a free speech event is organized to occur at a time and date more than forty-eight (48) from the time when the event is scheduled to occur, the sponsor shall submit an application for a free speech event permit and the same shall be submitted to the authorized officer or the Chief of the Urbana Police Department.
 - 3. Spontaneous events. If a free speech event is organized to occur within forty-eight (48) hours or less of the time when the event will occur, the sponsor shall make a reasonable effort to notify either the authorized officer or the

Chief of the Urbana Police Department as soon as reasonably practicable and such notice shall provide the time, date and location of the event, and the identity of the person or persons sponsoring the event. The notice may be sent by e-mail or hand-delivered to the Police Department at its front desk.

- c. Residential block parties. An application for a residential block party shall be submitted to the authorized officer at ten (10) business days in advance of the earliest date scheduled for the residential block party.
- (3) Late application submissions. If the authorized officer accepts an application for a special event, free speech event or residential block party permit after the date provided for in subsection 14-52(d)(2), the sponsor shall pay to the city a late submission fee for the expedited processing of the application as provided in the City's schedule of fees. The late application fee shall not be assessed for a free speech event which is scheduled to occur within forty-eight (48) of when the event is organized to occur.
- (4) Complete applications. An application for a permit shall not be deemed complete until all the required information has been provided to the authorized officer. The city shall not begin reviewing the application until all information required to be provided has been submitted to the authorized officer.
- (5) Order of review. Applications for permits shall be reviewed in the order in they are received. Applications for regularly scheduled annual special events shall be given priority over all other applications for such special events.

Section 14-53. Bases for denying applications for permits.

To the extent permitted by law, the city may deny an application for an event permit on any of the following grounds:

- (1) Special event permits, residential block parties.
 - a. The application (including any required attachments and submissions) is not fully complete and executed.
 - b. The sponsor has not tendered the required application fee with the application and a certificate of insurance which names the city as an additional insured.
 - c. The application contains a material false statement or misrepresentation;
 - d. The sponsor is legally incompetent to contract or to sue or be sued;
 - e. The sponsor has failed to pay any outstanding fee, tax, fine, or other assessment due and owing to the city.
 - f. Another fully executed and complete application for permit for the same date, time, and location has been received and such prior-requested permit will very likely be granted and where the location will not reasonably accommodate the holding of

both events at the same time without compromising human life, health or safety or property.

- g. The proposed use or activity is unlawful.
- h. The use or activity intended by the sponsor will present a threat to human life, health or safety or property.
- i. The sponsor has not complied or cannot comply with applicable licensure requirements, ordinances or regulations of the City concerning the sale or offering for sale of any goods or services.

(2) Free speech events.

- i. The city may not refuse to issue a free speech event permit to hold such event on the same date, time and location as another free speech event on the basis that the anticipated content of the speech of the two free speech events may conflict with one another. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the city may deny the second application if the city reasonably and in good faith determines that the holding of the two free speech events at the same date, time and location may pose a threat to human life, health or safety or property.
- ii. The city may not refuse to issue a free speech event permit on grounds that a city elected or appointed official or employee holds views or opinions different from those sought to be expressed during the free speech event for which the application is submitted.
- iii. In the case where a free speech event permit is denied on grounds that a prior-received application has requested and will likely be approved or has been approved to hold a special event or a free speech event at the same date, time and location and where the location will not reasonably accommodate both events, the city will attempt to make a reasonable accommodation to the sponsor who submitted the later application so that the said event can be held at a location within reasonable proximity of the location requested.

Section 14-54. Permit application approval and denial.

- (a) Review of permit applications. Permit applications will be reviewed in accordance with the policies, rules and/or procedures approved by the mayor.
- (b) Allocation or deployment of city resources. The city shall retain the right and authority to allocate, deploy or use city resources as it deems necessary or appropriate based on the review of a permit application, the nature of the special event, and whether the city has had to deploy city resources to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property at any special event previously sponsored by the sponsor.
- (c) Event restrictions. The city shall retain the right and discretion to include with any permit reasonable and lawful event restrictions which the authorized officer or any other city official deems

necessary and appropriate to protect and preserve human life, health or safety or property. Any event restriction included with a permit shall apply to the sponsor and the owner of the private property on which the special event will be conducted in whole or in part, if any, and their agents.

(d) Notice granting/denying permit application.

- (1) Special events. The authorized officer shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of a special event permit application, provide written notice to the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
- (2) Free speech events Where practicable, the authorized officer shall, by the close of the next business day following receipt of an application for a free speech event permit, notify the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
- (3) Residential block parties. The authorized officer shall, within five (5) business days of receipt of a residential block party permit application, provide written notice to the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
- (4) If the city refuses to issue a special event, free speech event or residential block party permit or issues such permit with a restriction, the notice to the sponsor shall include the reason or reasons for such action.

Section 14-55. Event restrictions; cessation of events.

- (a) Compliance with law. Special events, free speech events and residential block parties conducted on public and/or private property must be conducted in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws and city ordinances.
- (b) *Presence on site of event.* The sponsor or the sponsor's duly authorized agent shall be present at all times during the special event, free speech event or residential block party.
- (c) Order to limit or cease activities or vacate area. The city shall have the authority to order reasonable event restrictions after an event has commenced which may include but are not necessarily limited to cessation of some or all event activities or the clearing or partial clearing of the area where the event is occurring should conditions arise which threaten or are very likely to threaten human life, health or safety or property.
- (d) Private property owners' obligations. In the case where a special event, free speech event or residential block party requiring a permit is scheduled to occur in whole or in part on private property, the owner or the owner's agent shall be present at all times on the private property during the event. The owner shall be responsible for complying with and enforcing any and all event restrictions, if any, which are issued in connection with the permit. The owner shall be responsible to the city in the same manner as the sponsor for any conduct which threats human life, health or safety or property other than the owner's private property.

- (f) Alcohol. The sale or service of any alcoholic beverage at or in conjunction with any special event by the sponsor or any other person shall be subject to full compliance with chapter 3 of this code.
- (g) Tents. If the sponsor intends to use or allow the use of a tent at any special event which covers more than 400 square feet in area, such sponsor must obtain a separate permit from the department of community development services prior to erecting any such tent.

Section 14-56. Appeal of denial of or placement of event restrictions on permit.

- (a) Appeal of denial of or restriction on special event permit. If a sponsor wishes to appeal a denial of a special event permit or any event restriction included with a special event permit, the sponsor shall provide written notice to the authorized officer of such appeal at within five (5) business days of receipt of the notice of denial of permit or placement of event restrictions on an issued permit. The written notice shall specify the reasons for contesting the denial. If the sponsor appeals any particular restriction placed on a permit, the sponsor shall identify the restriction from which the appeal is taken. The sponsor and the authorized officer or his/her designee shall confer within five (5) business days after submission of the notice of appeal regarding the sponsor's appeal. Within three (3) business days after the aforesaid conference, the authorized officer shall notify the sponsor of the authorized officer's determination on the sponsor's appeal.
- (b) Appeal of denial or restriction on special event permit to the mayor. The sponsor may appeal the authorized officer's decision provided for in subsection 14-56(a) to the mayor within three (3) business days of the sponsor's notice of the authorized officer's decision. The mayor or his/her designee, within five (5) business days of receipt of the sponsor's appeal, shall confer with the sponsor and the authorized officer or his/her designee regarding the authorized officer's decision. The mayor or the authorized officer shall notify the sponsor of the mayor's decision within three (3) business days thereafter and the mayor's decision shall be final.
- (c) Appeal of denial or restriction on free speech event or residential block party permit. If a sponsor wishes to appeal a denial of a free speech event or residential block party permit or any restriction included therewith, the sponsor shall notify the mayor's office as soon as practicable. The mayor or the mayor's designee (other than any person who recommended the denial of the permit or the placement of such restriction on the permit) shall meet with the sponsor of the free speech event within one (1) business day after receipt of such notice or, in the case of a residential block party, within five (5) business days after receipt of such notice at which the sponsor and the authorized officer or that person's designee shall confer regarding the denial of the permit or restriction included therewith. The mayor's decision regarding the matter shall be final.
- (d) Appeal of subsection 14-52(c)(2) notice. A sponsor may appeal a notice issued to the sponsor pursuant to subsection 14-52(c)(2) in the same manner as provided in subsections 14-55(a), (b), and (c), as the case may be.
- (e) Pendency of appeal. The denial of a permit, the inclusion of a restriction in a permit, or the requirement for obtaining a permit as provided for in subsection 14-52(a) or 14-52(c) which is the subject of the sponsor's appeal shall remain in force unless and until otherwise modified or waived by the authorized officer or the mayor.

(f) Rights of private property owner. An owner shall have the same rights as the sponsor to appeal the denial of a permit or the placement of any restriction required as a condition for issuing the permit if a special event, free speech event or residential block party requiring a permit is sought to be held, in whole or in part, on the owner's private property.

Section 14-57. Responsibilities of sponsors and owners.

The sponsor of any special event, free speech event or residential block party and the owner of any private property on which said event will be held as provided for in this article shall be responsible for the following:

- (a) Complying with all applicable federal and state laws and city ordinances and any special event restrictions included with the permit.
- (b) Assuring that the permit, including any event restrictions issued therewith, are present and available for review upon request by any city official or law enforcement officer at the special event site.
- (c) Controlling litter at, in, and about the premises where the event is held and restoring the government-owned premises on which the event was held to the condition which those premises existed before the event commenced.
- (d) Complying with any lawful directive or order issued by the city to restrict or cease an activity occurring at the event; terminate the event; and/or vacate the area where the event is occurring.
- (e) Providing for public safety during the special event.

Section 14-58. Event services fees and permit application fees.

- (a) Permit application fee. The city shall collect a special event, free speech event or residential block party 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.
- (b) Event services fee. In the case of special events, the sponsor shall pay an event services fee if the sponsor has requested the city to allocate, deploy or use any city resource or if the authorized officer determines that city resources should or will be allocated, deployed or used in connection with the special event whether not requested by the sponsor. The authorized officer shall, where appropriate, confer with the heads of the Urbana Fire Department, Urbana Police Department, and Public Works Department, as the case may require, or their respective designees, regarding whether city resources will be allocated for the event and, if so, the reasonable cost of allocating, deploying and using such city resources. The special event services fee shall be based on the reasonable value of the particular city resources to be allocated, deployed or used and the said fee shall be paid on or before the date when the sponsor obtains the sponsor's special event permit. The authorized officer may, in his reasonable discretion, waive the event services fee. If, after the special event has been

completed, the reasonable monetary value of the city resources actually deployed and/or used by the city exceeded the event services fee paid, the sponsor shall pay to the city the additional monetary value of those city resources as determined by the authorized officer. The city shall have the right to charge the sponsor of a free speech event a fee equal to the reasonable value of any city resource actually deployed to such free speech event to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property at such event. No event services fee shall be charged for the use of any city resource in connection with a residential block party.

(c) Late payment. If any payment due the city pursuant to this article is not paid in full within the time provided for in this section, the city shall be authorized to charge the sponsor interest at the rate of 1.5% per month until the said amount due and owing has been paid in full.

Section 14-59. Enforcement.

- (a) Violation. No person shall conduct an event for which a permit is required in violation of this article.
 - (1) Evidence of commission. Proof the commission of any violation of this article shall be by a preponderance of the evidence.
 - (2) Convictions. The finding of or judgment of guilty in any court against the sponsor and/or owner of private property for violating this article shall be prima facie evidence of the commission.
- (b) Remedies. Any sponsor or owner of private property who is convicted of violating any provision of this Article shall be fined not less than \$500 together with any other relief, remedy, penalty, and costs which the court deems just and proper.
- (c) Defense. The remedies provided in subsections 15-99(3) and (5) shall not be imposed after a finding of guilt if the sponsor made a showing in court of a good faith effort to prevent the conduct complained of in the complaint.

LANGUAGE ADDED TO ADDRESS FREE SPEECH EVENTS AND RESIDENTIAL BLOCK PARTIES AND BASES FOR DENYING PERMIT APPLICATION

Chapter 1 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 1-18. – Minimum fine schedule for certain violations.

	13-5	Unlawful removal of articles.	300.00
	13-6	Those prohibited from use not to visit	300.00
	Chapter 14	Permits and Licenses	
I	14-5 8 9	Violation of special events ordinance <u>— special events</u> .	500.00
	14-59	Violation of events ordinance – free speech events.	25.00
	14-59	Violation of events ordinance – residential block parties	25.00
	Chapter 15	Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions]	
	15-3	Hindering city officer or employee	300.00

Chapter 14 - LICENSES AND PERMITS

ARTICLE I. – IN GENERAL

Sec. 14-0.01 – Exception.

This article I shall be applicable to article II only insofar as expressly provided for in this article I.

Sec. 14-2. - Application of article to liquor licenses.

Nothing in this article shall be construed to apply to liquor licenses, except the fees for such licenses shall be as set forth in the schedule in section 14-7.

Sec. 14-5. - Investigation; issuance; denial; appeal.

(a) The mayor or his/her designee shall assign some officer of the city to be the approving authority for each permit or license required by the city under this article. The approving authority so designated shall be the person responsible for conducting a proper investigation to determine whether such license or permit should be issued.

Sec. 14-11. - Location.

No license for the operation of a business or establishment in the city shall be construed to permit the operation of a licensed business or establishment in more than one location in the city; a separate license shall be required for each location of a licensed establishment. For the purpose of this article, the existence of a single location shall be evidenced by the fact that all buildings containing the principal or accessory uses shall be connected or shall be located on the same lot or parcel, shall be operated and managed by the same person or owner, and shall be an establishment with the same classification.

Sec. 14-18. - Penalty.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall be convicted of violating any provision of this article shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each such offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

Secs. 14-20 – 14-50. – Reserved.

ARTICLE II. - SPECIAL PUBLIC EVENTS

Sec. 14-51. Definitions.

For purposes of this article, the following definitions shall apply:

City resources. "City resources" means any of the following:

- (a) equipment, supplies and other personal property owned, leased or operated by the city;
- (b) city employees, elected or appointed officials, and other persons retained by the city on an independent contractor basis; and
- (c) real property owned, leased or operated by the city including but not limited to buildings, parking lots, parkways, other public rights-of-way.

Sponsor. "Sponsor" means any person who seeks to hold, host, conduct, or operate or who holds, conducts, hosts, or operates a special event within the geographic boundaries of the city.

Private property. "Private property" means any real property which is not owned or leased by a unit of local, county, state or federal government.

Owner. "Owner" means any person who owns or leases private property on which any part of a special event will be or is held or hosted.

Special event. "Special event" means any activity conducted or held or to be conducted or held on city owned, leased or operated real property and/or on private property within the city's geographic boundaries on a temporary or short term basis where any of the following is present –

- (a) The sponsor requests or will request the city to allocate or deploy any city resource in connection with the sponsor's event.
- (b) The city determines city resources may or must be allocated, deployed or used in connection with the sponsor's planned event and provides written notice to the sponsor of such determination in advance of the event.
- (c) The sponsor will be selling or serving or will be allowing another person to sell or serve alcoholic liquor for consumption on or off the site of the event or allow a person to consume alcoholic liquor at the site of and during the event.

The term "special event" includes all dates and times necessary to set-up, operate, conduct, takedown the event, and clean up the event site. The term "special event" shall not include free speech events and residential block parties as defined in this article.

Free speech event. "Free speech event" means any assembly of fifty (50) or more persons who gather in a location for the purpose of exercising their right to speak freely, peaceably assemble, and/or petition their government for a redress of a grievance as guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.

Residential block party. "Residential block party" means a social event held in whole or in part on a public right-of-way for persons who reside in the immediate area where such event occurs and which usually involves residents of two or more properties along one or both sides of city property (usually, but not limited to, a neighborhood street, park, parkway, or intersection) where 50% or more of the contiguous properties are zoned residential.

Permit. "Permit" means written authorization issued by the city to a sponsor to set-up, operate, hold, conduct, and take-down, as the case may be, a special event, <u>free speech event</u>, or residential block party in the manner described in an application for issuance of such written authorization. The term "permit" shall including any <u>lawful</u> event restrictions placed on a special event <u>or free speech event</u>.

Event restrictions. "Event restrictions" means any restriction, limitation or security plan which is included with any permit issued or imposed on the special event for the purpose of preventing any threat to human life, health or safety or property.

Permit application fee. "Permit application fee" means the fee charged, if any, by the city in connection with accepting and processing an application to conduct a special event, free speech event or residential block party.

Event services fee. "Event services fee" means the reasonable monetary value, as determined by the city, of city resources which are allocated, deployed and/or used by the city in connection with a special event or free speech event.

Authorized officer. "Authorized officer" mean the director of the city's public works department and his/her designee.

Section 14-52. Event applications, permits, deadlines, late applications.

- (a) Permit required/expiration. Except as provided in subsections 14-52(b), no person shall conduct or hold a special event, free speech event or residential block party without first obtaining a permit for such special event. A permit may be issued for a special event, free speech event or residential block party planned to last more than one day. Any permit issued pursuant to this article shall expire upon the conclusion of the special event.
- (b) Exemptions. The following special events shall be exempt from the requirement of obtaining a permit except as provided in subsection 14-52(c):
 - (1) Events hosted by the city which has been approved by the mayor or city council.
 - (2) Events hosted by units of government other than the city which are held wholly on that government's property or where the government is acting within its scope of authority; or
 - (3) Events held by an elected constitutional officer of the State of Illinois or the United States so long as the event is constitutes official business of the State of Illinois or the United States where the event is open to the public in general but is not a campaign event.
 - (4) Funeral processions.
 - (5) Events hosted by liquor licensees where such events are confined wholly within the licensee's establishment and where the licensee has adopted a security plan as provided in chapter 3 of this code.
 - (6) Any event which is confined wholly within the walls of the city-owned Civic Center where
 - a. no alcoholic liquor will be sold or served; or
 - b. alcoholic liquor will be sold or served for consumption wholly within the walls of the Civic Center pursuant to a valid Urbana liquor license and where the liquor licensee has adopted a security plan as provided in chapter 3 of this code.
 - (7) Any event which is to be held solely on private residential property and for which no city resources will be allocated.
- (c) Permit required notwithstanding subsection 14-52(b) exemption.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in subsection 14-52(b):

(1) If a person conducts or hosts an event which was exempt under subsection 14-52(b) but to which city resources were deployed to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property, such person shall be required to obtain a permit in order to hold or host any future similar event within the twelve-month period following the last date of the event to which city resources were deployed

- (2) Within ten (10) business days after the last date of the event which was exempt pursuant to subsection 14-52(b) but to which city resources were <u>required to be</u> deployed, the city shall provide written notice to the person who sponsored the aforesaid event. <u>The which</u> notice shall provide:
 - a. that the person who sponsored the event which was exempt pursuant to subsection 15-52(b) shall be required to obtain a permit for any similar event which the said person seeks to conduct or host within the twelve-month period commencing with the last date of the event to which city resources were deployed;
 - b. the date when the said twelve-month period shall commence and end;
 - c. the reason or reasons for requiring a permit for any similar event held within the said twelve-month period notwithstanding subsection 14-52(b); and
 - d. such other information, if any, as the authorized officer deems appropriate.

(d) Application for events.

- (1) Applications. In the case of a special event which will include or allow the sale, service or consumption of alcoholic liquor, 'Tthe sponsor applicant must be age twenty-one (21) years or older. In the case of a special event which will not include or allow the sale or service of alcoholic liquor, the sponsor applicant must be age eighteen (18) years or older. A sponsor of a special event shall provide all information and agree to such terms and conditions as required on an application. Applications for permits shall be available from the city's public works department.
- (2) Time and place for submitting application for permit.
 - a. *Special events*. An application for a <u>special event</u> permit shall be submitted to the authorized officer at least forty-five (45) business days in advance of the earliest date scheduled for the special event.

b. Free speech events.

- 1. Free Speech Event Policy. Nothing in this article shall be deemed or construed as limiting, restricting or otherwise interfering with any person's lawful free speech rights afforded under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 1, Section 4 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.
- 2. Events scheduled in advance. If a free speech event is organized to occur at a time and date more than forty-eight (48) from the time when the event is scheduled to occur, the sponsor shall submit an application for a free speech event permit and the same shall be submitted to the authorized officer or the Chief of the Urbana Police Department.

- 3. Spontaneous events. If a free speech event is organized to occur within forty-eight (48) hours or less of the time when the event will occur, the sponsor shall make a reasonable effort to notify either the authorized officer or the Chief of the Urbana Police Department as soon as reasonably practicable and such notice shall provide the time, date and location of the event, and the identity of the person or persons sponsoring the event. The notice may be sent by e-mail or hand-delivered to the Police Department at its front desk.
- c. Residential block parties. An application for a residential block party shall be submitted to the authorized officer at ten (10) business days in advance of the earliest date scheduled for the residential block party.
- (3) Late application submissions. If the authorized officer accepts an application for a permit after the date provided for in subsection 14-52(d)(2), the sponsor shall pay to the city a late submission fee of \$100 for expedited processing of the application. The authorized officer shall have the authority to waive the aforesaid late fee or refuse to accept a late application for good cause. If the authorized officer accepts an application for a special event, free speech event or residential block party permit after the date provided for in subsection 14-52(d)(2), the sponsor shall pay to the city a late submission fee for the expedited processing of the application as provided in the City's schedule of fees. The late application fee shall not be assessed for a free speech event which is scheduled to occur within forty-eight (48) of when the event is organized to occur.
- (4) *Complete applications*. An application for a permit shall not be deemed complete until all the required information has been provided to the authorized officer. The city shall not begin reviewing the application until all information required to be provided has been submitted to the authorized officer.
- (5) Order of review. Applications for permits shall be reviewed in the order in they are received. Applications for regularly scheduled annual special events shall be given priority over all other applications for such special events.

Section 14-53. Bases for denying applications for permits.

To the extent permitted by law, the city may deny an application for an event permit on any of the following grounds:

- (1) Special event permits, residential block parties.
 - a. The application (including any required attachments and submissions) is not fully complete and executed.
 - b. The sponsor has not tendered the required application fee with the application and a certificate of insurance which names the city as an additional insured.
 - c. The application contains a material false statement or misrepresentation;
 - d. The sponsor is legally incompetent to contract or to sue or be sued;

- e. The sponsor has failed to pay any outstanding fee, tax, fine, or other assessment due and owing to the city.
- f. Another fully executed and complete application for permit for the same date, time, and location has been received and such prior-requested permit will very likely be granted and where the location will not reasonably accommodate the holding of both events at the same time without compromising human life, health or safety or property.
- g. The proposed use or activity is unlawful.
- h. The use or activity intended by the sponsor will present a threat to human life, health or safety or property.
- i. The sponsor has not complied or cannot comply with applicable licensure requirements, ordinances or regulations of the City concerning the sale or offering for sale of any goods or services.

(2) Free speech events.

- i. The city may not refuse to issue a free speech event permit to hold such event on the same date, time and location as another free speech event on the basis that the anticipated content of the speech of the two free speech events may conflict with one another. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the city may deny the second application if the city reasonably and in good faith determines that the holding of the two free speech events at the same date, time and location may pose a threat to human life, health or safety or property.
- ii. The city may not refuse to issue a free speech event permit on grounds that a city elected or appointed official or employee holds views or opinions different from those sought to be expressed during the free speech event for which the application is submitted.
- iii. In the case where a free speech event permit is denied on grounds that a prior-received application has requested and will likely be approved or has been approved to hold a special event or a free speech event at the same date, time and location and where the location will not reasonably accommodate both events, the city will attempt to make a reasonable accommodation to the sponsor who submitted the later application so that the said event can be held at a location within reasonable proximity of the location requested.

Section 14-534. Permit application approval and denial.

(a) Review of permit applications. Permit applications will be reviewed in accordance with the policies, rules and/or procedures approved by the mayor.

- (b) Allocation or deployment of city resources. The city shall retain the right and authority to allocate, deploy or use city resources as it deems necessary or appropriate based on the review of a permit application, the nature of the special event, and whether the city has had to deploy city resources to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property at any special event previously sponsored by the sponsor.
- (c) Event restrictions. The city shall retain the right and discretion to include with any permit reasonable and lawful event restrictions which the authorized officer or any other city official deems necessary and appropriate to protect and preserve human life, health or safety or property. Any event restriction included with a permit shall apply to the sponsor and the owner of the private property on which the special event will be conducted in whole or in part, if any, and their agents.
- (d) Notice granting/denying permit application. The authorized officer shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of the application, provide the sponsor with a determination as to whether or not the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any event restrictions included with the permit.
 - (1) Special events. The authorized officer shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of a special event permit application, provide written notice to the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
 - (2) Free speech events Where practicable, the authorized officer shall, by the close of the next business day following receipt of an application for a free speech event permit, notify the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
 - (3) Residential block parties. The authorized officer shall, within five (5) business days of receipt of a residential block party permit application, provide written notice to the sponsor whether the requested permit will be issued and, if issued, any restrictions which will be included with the permit.
 - (4) If the city refuses to issue a special event, free speech event or residential block party permit or issues such permit with a restriction, the notice to the sponsor shall include the reason or reasons for such action.

Section 14-545. Event restrictions; cessation of events.

- (a) Compliance with law. Special events, free speech events and residential block parties conducted on public and/or private property must be conducted in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws and city ordinances.
- (b) *Presence on site of event.* The sponsor or the sponsor's duly authorized agent shall be present at all times during the special event.
- (c) Order to limit or cease activities or vacate area. The city shall have the authority to order reasonable special event restrictions after an event has commenced which may include but are not necessarily limited to cessation of some or all special event activities or the clearing or partial clearing of the area where the special event is occurring area should conditions at the special event arise which threaten or are very likely to threaten human life, health or safety or property.

- (d) Private property owners' obligations. In the case where a special event, free speech event or residential block party requiring a permit is scheduled to occur in whole or in part on private property, the owner or the owner's agent shall be present at all times on the private property during the event. The owner shall be responsible for complying with and enforcing any and all event restrictions, if any, which are issued in connection with the permit. The owner shall be responsible to the city in the same manner as the sponsor for any conduct which threats human life, health or safety or property other than the owner's private property.
- (f) *Alcohol.* The sale or service of any alcoholic beverage at or in conjunction with any special event by the sponsor or any other person shall be subject to full compliance with chapter 3 of this code.
- (g) *Tents*. If the sponsor intends to use or allow the use of a tent at any special event which covers more than 400 square feet in area, such sponsor must obtain a separate permit from the department of community development services prior to erecting any such tent.

Section 14-556. Appeal of denial of or placement of event restrictions on permit.

- (a) Appeal of denial of or restriction on special event permit. If a sponsor wishes to appeal a denial of a special event permit or any event restriction included with thea special event permit, the sponsor shall provide written notice to the authorized officer of such appeal at within five (5) business days of receipt of the notice of denial of permit or placement of event restrictions on an issued permit. The written notice shall specify the reasons for contesting the denial. If the sponsor appeals any particular restriction placed on a permit, the sponsor shall identify the restriction from which the appeal is taken. The sponsor and the authorized officer or his/her designee shall confer within five (5) business days after submission of the notice of appeal regarding the sponsor's appeal. Within three (3) business days after the aforesaid conference, the authorized officer shall notify the sponsor of the authorized officer's determination on the sponsor's appeal.
- (b) Appeal of denial or restriction on special event permit to the mayor. The sponsor may appeal the authorized officer's decision provided for in subsection 14-56(a) to the mayor within three (3) business days of the sponsor's notice of the authorized officer's decision. The mayor or his/her designee, within five (5) business days of receipt of the sponsor's appeal, shall confer with the sponsor and the authorized officer or his/her designee regarding the authorized officer's decision. The mayor or the authorized officer shall notify the sponsor of the mayor's decision within three (3) business days thereafter and the mayor's decision shall be final.
- (c) Appeal of denial or restriction on free speech event or residential party permit. If a sponsor wishes to appeal a denial of a free speech event or residential block party permit or any restriction included therewith, the sponsor shall notify the mayor's office as soon as practicable. The mayor or the mayor's designee (other than any person who recommended the denial of the permit or the placement of such restriction on the permit) shall meet with the sponsor of the free speech event within one (1) business day after receipt of such notice or, in the case of a residential block party, within five (5) business days after receipt of such notice at which the sponsor and the authorized officer or that person's designee shall confer regarding the denial of the permit or restriction included therewith. The mayor's decision regarding the matter shall be final.

- (ed) Appeal of subsection 14-52(c) notice. A sponsor may appeal a notice issued to the sponsor pursuant to subsection 14-52(c) in the same manner as provided in subsections 14-55(a) and (c), as the case may be.
- (de) Pendency of appeal. The denial of a permit, the inclusion of a restriction in a permit, or the requirement for obtaining a permit as provided for in subsection 14-52(a) or 14-52(c) which is the subject of the sponsor's appeal shall remain in force unless and until otherwise modified or waived by the authorized officer or the mayor.
- (ef) Rights of private property owner. An owner shall have the same rights as the sponsor to appeal the denial of a permit or the placement of any restriction required as a condition for issuing the permit if a special event even, free speech event or residential block party requiring a permit is sought to be held, in whole or in part, on the owner's private property.

Section 14-576. Responsibilities of sponsors and owners.

The sponsor of any special event, free speech event or residential block party and the owner of any private property on which said event will be held as provided for in this article shall be responsible for the following:

- (a) Complying with all applicable federal and state laws and city ordinances and any special event restrictions included with the permit.
- (b) Assuring that the permit, including any event restrictions issued therewith, are present and available for review upon request by any city official or law enforcement officer at the special event site.
- (c) Controlling litter at, in, and about the premises where the event is held and restoring the government-owned premises on which the event was held to the condition which those premises existed before the event commenced.
- (d) Complying with any lawful directive or order issued by the city to restrict or cease an activity occurring at the special event; terminate the event; and/or vacate the area where the event is occurring.
- (e) Providing for public safety during the special event.

Section 14-578. Event services fees and permit application fees.

- (a) Permit application fee. The city shall collect anspecial event, free speech event or residential block party 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.
- (b) Event services fee. In the case of special events, Tthe sponsor shall pay an event services fee if the sponsor has requested the city to allocate, deploy or use any city resource or if the authorized officer

determines that city resources should or will be allocated, deployed or used in connection with the special event whether or not requested by the sponsor. The authorized officer shall, where appropriate, confer with the heads of the Urbana Fire Department, Urbana Police Department, and Public Works Department, as the case may require, or their respective designees, regarding whether city resources will be allocated for the event and, if so, the reasonable cost of allocating, deploying and using such city resources. The <u>special</u> event services fee shall be based on the reasonable value of the particular city resources to be allocated, deployed or used and the said fee shall be paid on or before the date when the sponsor obtains the sponsor's special event permit. The authorized officer may, in his reasonable discretion, waive the event services fee. If, after the special event has been completed, the reasonable monetary value of the city resources actually deployed and/or used by the city exceeded the event services fee paid, the sponsor shall pay to the city the additional monetary value of those city resources as determined by the authorized officer. The city shall have the right to charge the sponsor of a free speech event a fee equal to the reasonable value of any city resource actually deployed to a free speech event to address a threat to human life, health or safety or property at such event. No event services fee shall be charged for the use of any city resource in connection with a residential block party.

(c) Late payment. If any payment due the city pursuant to this article is not paid in full within the time provided for in this section, the city shall be authorized to charge the sponsor interest at the rate of 1.5% per month until the said amount due and owing has been paid in full.

Section 14-589. Enforcement.

- (a) Violation. No person shall conduct an event for which a permit is required in violation of this article.
 - (1) Evidence of commission. Proof the commission of any violation of this article shall be by a preponderance of the evidence.
 - (2) Convictions. The finding of or judgment of guilty in any court against the sponsor and/or owner of private property for violating this article shall be prima facie evidence of the commission.
 - (b) Remedies. Any sponsor or owner of private property who is convicted of violating any provision of this Article shall be fined not less than \$500 together with any other relief, remedy, penalty, and costs which the court deems just and proper.
 - (c) Defense. The remedies provided in subsections 15-99(3) and (5) shall not be imposed after a finding of guilt if the sponsor made a showing in court of a good faith effort to prevent the conduct complained of in the complaint.