

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JANUARY 24, 2005

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF THE NOISE ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CALVARY CHAPEL OF PASADENA'S EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, TO BE HELD AT VICTORY PARK ON SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2005

RECOMMENDATION

1. Acknowledge that the Calvary Chapel of Pasadena's Easter Sunrise Service and the lifting of the Noise Ordinance are categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15023 Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings and;
2. Direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to suspend the hours of operation for amplified sound allowed by the City's Noise Ordinance and a Notice of Exemption and hold first reading of same, with respect to the proposed Calvary Chapel of Pasadena's Easter Sunrise Service to be held at Victory Park on Sunday, March 27, 2005 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

BACKGROUND

The Calvary Chapel of Pasadena located at 2200 E. Colorado Blvd. has submitted a Special Event application requesting the use of Victory Park on Sunday, March 27, 2005 to conduct an Easter Sunrise Service. The event set-up is to begin at 4:30 a.m. with the service from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and departure by 9:30 a.m. The estimated attendance is 900 people. The event will include the use of two 12-inch speakers for both speech and music purposes.

The operation of amplified sound by non-profit organizations is permitted on Sundays between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Easter Sunrise Service has been held annually at the same site for the past fifteen years with amplified sound beginning at 7:00 a.m. with no known complaints. The lifting of the Noise Ordinance for this event specifically targets a suspension of the hours

of operation of amplified sound permitted on Sundays and is not seeking a waiver of the entire Noise Ordinance. Sound from the event will be consistent with the Noise Ordinance and will be monitored.

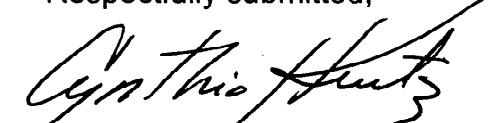
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The Environmental Administrator has determined that the Proposed Suspension of the Noise Ordinance and Temporary Use Permit necessary to hold the Calvary Chapel of Pasadena's Easter Sunrise Service is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15323, Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings.

FISCAL IMPACT

All City costs that may be incurred, (i.e.-sound meter reading, park clean-up, etc.) are to be paid by the event promoter.

Respectfully submitted,



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