

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE: NOVEMBER 4, 2002

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF THE NOISE ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE OLD

PASADENA FOOD BOWL TO BE HELD IN OLD PASADENA ON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2002

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to suspend the Noise Ordinance and a Notice of Exemption, with respect to the proposed Old Pasadena Food Bowl to be held on Colorado Boulevard on Sunday, December 29th from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

BACKGROUND:

The Old Pasadena Management District has submitted a request for a Noise Ordinance waiver to conduct amplified sound until 10 p.m. on a Sunday on Colorado Boulevard between Fair Oaks and Pasadena Avenues. The current Noise Ordinance prohibits amplified sound beyond 9 p.m. on Sundays.

Last year, the Old Pasadena Management District conducted their first Pasadena Food Bowl, which was a great attendance success. Many local restaurants showcased their cuisine and local musicians provided entertainment.

A City noise monitor ensured that the musical volume was kept at a reasonable level as to not disturb activities occurring in other private businesses on the route. The Filming and Special Events staff received no complaints. These same types of preparations would occur for this year's event.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The Environmental Administrator has determined that a Temporary Use Permit and the proposed suspension of the noise ordinance necessary to hold the event is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines Section 15323, Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Any City costs that may be incurred (i.e., sound meter reading, clean up, etc.) are to be paid by the Old Pasadena Business & Professional Association.

Respectfully submitted,

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