

Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE: January 25, 1999

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA SUSPENDING SECTIONS 9.36.220 AND 9.36.230 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING

TO AN EXEMPTION FROM THE NOISE ORDINANCE FOR THE 35TH PREMIERE PARTY FOR THE SHOWCASE HOUSE OF DESIGN TO BE

HELD AT CITY HALL ON SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1999.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council conduct first reading of the ordinance.

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA SUSPENDING SECTIONS 9.36.220 AND 9.36.230 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LIMITATION OF HOURS OF OPERATION OF AMPLIFIED SOUND AND NOISE SOURCES FOR AN EVENT TO BE HELD IN THE CITY HALL COURTYARD FOR APRIL 17, 1999.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The Environmental Administrator finds that the suspension of the Noise Ordinance for the Showcase Premiere Party on April 17, 1999 is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines section 15323, Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings.

PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide an exemption from the Noise Ordinance for an (Showcase House Premiere Party) event to be held in the City Hall Courtyard on April 17, 1999.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.A.1.

REASON WHY THE LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

The noise ordinance was enacted by ordinance and can only be suspended by ordinance.

PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

The Filming and Special Events Section will be overseeing the citywide coordination of this event.

Staff will ensure that All Saints Church and any neighboring property owners and tenants are notified two weeks in advance of the event. Showcase Premiere volunteers are requesting to allow amplified music (50's rock) until midnight in the courtyard.

FISCAL IMPACT:

It is expected that Showcase House will generate 2.5 million dollars in revenue at their Showcase House public viewings which this event celebrates. Local parking structures and businesses benefit from the economic impact of 50,000 visitors each year in Pasadena. All donations support youth music education throughout the San Gabriel Valley including the award winning music mobile which has been presented to over 100,000 third grade students. The revenues all support the annual youth concert to which 200,000 fourth grade students have been invited to the last 34 years.

POLICY CHANGES:

None.

Respectfully submitted:

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