

REGULATIONS FOR STREET PERFORMERS FOR THE MISSION INN HOTEL & SPA FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Museum & Cultural Affairs Department

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DISCUSSION

- 1. On August 22, 2017, the City Council heard an item to approve an Ordinance, establishing regulations for street performers during the Festival of Lights
- 2. At this meeting, City Council directed staff to meet with street performers regarding this Ordinance and return to City Council with an update.



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OUTREACH

- On September 6, 2017, staff met with 3 Riverside musicians to discuss the ordinance and work together on a solution to allow Street Performers to be present at Festival of Lights while maintaining safety for all.
- 2. The discussion resulted in keeping the ordinance as written *and* to expand the street performance experience.



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OUTREACH

We discussed three major interests:

- 1. The City's need to maintain public safety, hence the proposed ordinance to keep the core of the Main Street Mall accessible during the peak times of Festival of Lights.
- 2. The shop owners' need to keep their entryways accessible for customers.
- 3. The street performers' need for having viable performance space, especially in where the crowds of people are.



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OUTREACH

The solution we worked out satisfies all three major interests:

- 1. It keeps the core of the Festival of Lights accessible during peak times,
- 2. Keeps business' entryways clear, and
- 3. Provides street performers with viable space.



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SOLUTION

Create two designated locations that highlight Riverside's Street Performers:







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RECOMMENDATIONS

That City Council:

- Receive an update on outreach efforts establishing regulations for street performers during the Festival of Lights; and
- Introduce and subsequently adopt the attached Ordinance adding Chapter 13.21 to the Riverside Municipal Code Chapter establishing regulations for street performers during the Festival of Lights.

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