RESOLUTION 2023-23

A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL ON A PUBLIC STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, IOWA ON SATURDAY JUNE 10, 2023 FROM 4:00 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT ON THE 100 BLOCK OF NORTH DOWNEY STREET FOR A FREE COMMUNITY CONCERT.

WHEREAS, Main Street West Branch is requesting an exception to allow the consumption and sale of alcohol on the 100 block of North Downey Street during their Kickoff to Summer event which includes a free community concert; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 45.02(2) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Branch, Iowa prohibits the consumption of alcoholic liquor, wine and beer upon the public streets and highways unless permitted by separate resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed their Special Event application and determined that only beer (no hard liquor or glass containers) should be allowed to be served or consumed on the street for the event; and

WHEREAS, Main Street West Branch also requests a street closure for the 100 block of North Downey Street from 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 10, 2023 to 12:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 11, 2023 for the concert: and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary for the City Council to approve said consumption of alcohol on a public street and street closure for the event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of West Branch, Iowa that the aforementioned street closure and allowance of alcohol consumption on the 100 block of North Downey Street from 4 p.m. on June 10, 2023 to 12:00 a.m. on June 11, 2023 is hereby approved.

Passed and approved this 20th day of March 2023.

Roger Laughlin, Mayor

Attest:

Leslie Brick, City Clerk







March 3, 2023

West Branch City Council:

This letter formally requests a special exception of Chapter 45.02(2) of the West Branch Code of Ordinances to allow beer sales and consumption in a specified section of public street for a community event on June 10, 2023.

Main Street West Branch is planning to host our 2nd annual "Kickoff to Summer" event including the return of a free outdoor concert for the community to enjoy in addition to Sidewalk Sales and other activities designed to attract people to Eat, Shop & Explore in our historic Main Street district. The ultimate goal is to drive traffic to our local businesses, promote West Branch and provide an opportunity to make positive memories in our community. Full details and sketch of the event area can be found on our Special Event Permit request.

Main Street is prepared to execute all safety requirements related to this special exception including street barricades, fencing and signage to indicate the designated area. The liquor licenses will be carried by Herb N Lous and The Downunder, both of which are prepared to carry dramshop coverage and work together to handle alcohol sales during the concert. We will also encourage local eateries to host food stands or offer grab & go meals for attendees to enjoy during the show.

Thank you in advance for supporting our efforts to build community and support our local businesses.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

Main Street West Branch

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