

ORDINANCE NO. 20141106-022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTERS 8-1 AND 9-2 RELATING TO SOUND AMPLIFICATION PERMITS FOR LARGE-SCALE EVENTS ON CITY PARKLAND.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. City Code Section 8-1-41 (*Use of Sound Equipment*) is amended to read:

§ 8-1-41 USE OF SOUND EQUIPMENT.

- (A) Except as provided in Subsection (B) of this section, the [The] use of sound equipment in a public recreation area is governed by this article.
- (B) If the director determines that an event to be held on city parkland is likely to be attended by 7,500 or more people on any day, the use of sound equipment is governed by Chapter 9-2 (*Noise and Amplified Sound*). This requirement does not apply if, in the judgment of the music office, the event is not primarily geared towards music and any music included will be incidental to the main purpose of the event.

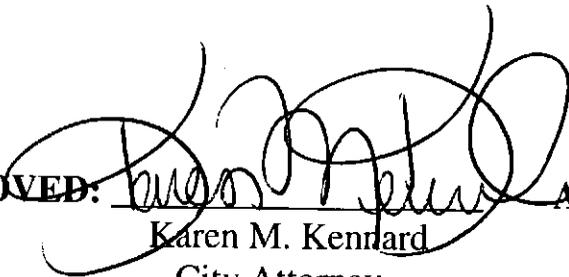
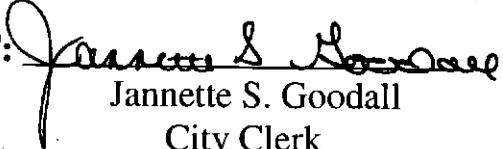
PART 2. Subsection (B) of City Code Section 9-2-50 (*Music Office Review*) is amended to read:

- (B) After receiving an application from the accountable official under Subsection (A) of this section, the music office shall conduct an appropriate level of investigation based on the type of permit sought and its potential impacts to the surrounding community. The investigation may include on-site inspections and sound measurements, discussions with nearby residents and business owners, and any additional research relevant to assessing potential impacts. For an event on city parkland for which review is required under Section 8-1-41 (*Use of Sound Equipment*), the music office shall coordinate its review and investigation with the director of the Parks and Recreation Department.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on November 17th, 2014.

PASSED AND APPROVED

November 6th, 2014 §
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 Lee Leffingwell
 Mayor

APPROVED:  **ATTEST:** 
 Karen M. Kennard Jannette S. Goodall
 City Attorney City Clerk