

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOURS TO OPERATE SOUND EQUIPMENT DURING WILLIE NELSON'S 49TH ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC TO BE HELD ON JULY 4, 2022.

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

PART 1. The council finds the following:

- (1) The 49th Annual Willie Nelson's Fourth of July Picnic (49th Picnic) is scheduled for Monday, July 4, 2022, and will be held in Austin's city limits;
- (2) This year marks the first time the event being held in-person after going virtual in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (3) The 49th Picnic will be held for the first time at Q2 Stadium, the home of Major League Soccer's Austin FC;
- (4) The 49th Picnic will be the first-ever concert at Q2 Stadium;
- (5) Stadium staff will construct a temporary floor and band stage on the grass pitch to accommodate the 49th Picnic;
- (6) City Code Section 4-20-43 (*Sound Equipment for Outdoor Special Event Venues*) authorizes outdoor amplified sound up to midnight on the night before Independence Day, but reverts to standard limits on Independence Day itself;
- (7) July 4th, 2022, falls on a Monday, meaning outdoor amplified sound is only allowed up to 10:30 p.m.;
- (8) The 49th Picnic will kick off at 11:00 a.m., and organizers request a modest extension of 30 minutes on the amplified sound limit to 11:00 p.m., which will allow the full slate of musicians to take the stage for guests to enjoy.

PART 2. For the reasons described above, Council amends City Code Section 4-20-43(G)(1) (*Sound Equipment for Outdoor Special Event Venues*) to extend the hours sound equipment may be used for the 49th Picnic only. This amendment authorizes the 49th Picnic to use sound equipment until 11:00 p.m.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED

_____, 2022 §
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 Steve Adler
 Mayor

APPROVED: _____ **ATTEST:** _____
Anne L. Morgan Myrna Rios
City Attorney City Clerk