

Legislation Text

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Extraordinary Events Ordinance

Action:

Adopt an Ordinance repealing Article XIV of Chapter 15 of the City Code, entitled "Extraordinary Events."

Committee Chair:

Julie Eiselt, Community Safety

Staff Resource(s):

Ann Wall, City Manager's Office
Bob Hagemann, City Attorney
Kerr Putney, Police

Current Ordinance

- On January 23, 2012, the City Council adopted the current Extraordinary Events Ordinance,
- The ordinance addressed large-scale special events of national or international significance and/or an event expected to attract a significant number of people.
- The ordinance provided the following:
 - The City Manager may fix the boundaries and time period for the event,
 - Prohibits the possession of certain items that are deemed to be potentially dangerous, and
 - Provides for the defense of any necessary prosecution.
- Since the adoption of the Extraordinary Events Ordinance, the City Manager has declared 41 extraordinary events.
- On January 6, 2017, City Attorney, Bob Hagemann and Police Chief, Kerr Putney hosted a community forum to review the potential ordinance repeal with Charlotte residents and other key stakeholders.

Proposed Changes

- City staff has been in the process of reviewing the Extraordinary Events Ordinance, including its use and impact since February 2017.
- After considerable review, City staff recommends the repeal of the Extraordinary Events Ordinance.
- The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department will work with organizers of large events to develop and execute public safety plans for large events considering current threats and intelligence.

Attachment(s)

Ordinance Repealing Article XIV of Chapter 15 of the Charlotte City Code