

Alternative #3

EXHIBIT "A"

17.56.300 Temporary Uses and Events

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B. **Temporary Events.** Temporary events involve the use of land or a building for an event of limited duration (see the definition of "Temporary uses and events" in Section 17.04.030). Where allowed by Sections 17.06.050 et seq., (Land use and permit tables), temporary events are subject to the following requirements:

1. **Applicability**

- a. **Commercial Recreational Events.** Temporary commercial recreational events such as circuses, carnivals, open air theaters, or other similar situations involving temporary large assemblages of people may be conducted in any district provided that a Minor Use Permit is first secured for the establishment, maintenance and operation of such uses. [Note: Provisions for permanent outdoor commercial recreation uses, rural recreation uses and sports facilities and outdoor public assembly uses are found in Sections 17.06.030 et seq., (Allowable land uses and permit requirements) and in 17.04.030 (Definitions).]
- b. **Outdoor Festivals/Concerts, etc.** Outdoor festivals/concerts, arts and crafts fairs and similar short-term events may be authorized in any district provided that a Minor Use Permit is first approved for the event. However, one-time events (not to exceed three consecutive days nor two times in one location in a calendar year), may be processed as a Temporary Outdoor Event Permit, in lieu of a Minor Use Permit. Detailed event information shall be provided including time, date, location, estimated number of participants, security measures, including the control of alcohol consumption and prevention of drug use, and sanitation. Such information shall be provided by the Planning Department to the Sheriff, the County Health Director, Chief Building Official, Department of Public Works, California Highway Patrol, the Assistant Emergency Services Director, and appropriate state, federal, and local fire jurisdictions, prior to a noticed public hearing before the Zoning Administrator. Conditions addressed in Section 17.56.300 B4 a through d below, may be required of any such event. If alcoholic beverages will be served the applicants shall provide a copy of the required authorization from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, to the Planning Department, prior to the event. [Note: These events differ from those described in Section 17.56.300(B)(1.a) in that they are of limited duration and do not require the construction of any improvements.]
- c. **Temporary Events not subject to this section.** The following types of temporary events are not subject to the requirements of this section, and are also not subject to the permit requirements established by Sections 17.06.050 (Land use and permit tables) and 17.06.060 et seq., (Zone district regulations):
 - i. **Approved Public Assembly Sites.** A temporary event conducted in an approved place of public assembly, such as a theater, convention center, meeting hall, public school events or school property, sports facility, or fairgrounds.
 - ii. **Parades and Street Events.** Parades and other temporary events within a public road right-of-way, provided that all requirements of the director of Public Works and the Placer County sheriff are met.

iii. **Public Events.** Admission-free events, and events with admission charges where the organization or individuals conducting the event qualify for a free business license pursuant to Chapter 5 of the Placer County Code (Business Licenses and Regulations), where the event is conducted at a public park or on other publicly-owned land with the permission of the landowner, and the event also satisfies the requirements of Subsections (B)(2) through (B)(5) of this section for other types of temporary events.

iv. Private Parties. Private non-commercial events / parties held at a private residence.

2. **Permit Requirement.** As required by Sections 17.06.060 et seq., (Zone district regulations) for the applicable zone district, or by Sections 17.56.300(B)(1)(a) and 17.56.300(B)(1)(b) above.
3. **Time Limits.** A temporary event shall be conducted for no more than nine consecutive days, or four successive weekends per year, except where a shorter time limit is established by the granting authority through permit conditions of approval.
4. **Site Design and Development Standards.** All temporary events are subject to the following standards, except where alternate standards are established by Placer County Chapter 5 (Business Licenses and Regulations), Placer County Code or by the granting authority through permit conditions of approval.
 - a. **Access.** Outdoor temporary events shall be provided at least two unobstructed vehicle access points, each a minimum of eighteen (18) feet wide, from the event site to a publicly maintained road. Additional access points shall be provided as required by the Public Works director or County sheriff.
 - b. **Parking.** Off-street parking shall be provided as follows, with such parking consisting at minimum, of an open area with a slope of ten (10) percent or less, at a ratio of four hundred (400) square feet per car, on a lot free of combustible material.
 - i. **Seated spectator events:** One parking space for each twelve (12) square feet of seating area.
 - ii. **Exhibit Event:** One parking space for each seventy-five (75) square feet of exhibit area.
 - c. **Fire Protection.** Facilities shall be provided as required by the appropriate serving fire protection agency and/or the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.
 - d. **Water Supply and Sanitation.** Facilities shall be provided as required by the Placer County Environmental Health Division.
5. **Guarantee of Site Restoration.** A bond or cash deposit may be required for approval of a temporary event to guarantee site restoration after use, and operation as required by this section. The guarantee shall cover both operation and restoration, and is subject to the provisions of Section 17.58.190 (Security for performance).

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TO: Michael Johnson, Planning Director
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SUBJECT: Temporary Outdoor Event Permit Zoning Text Amendment

I am writing in support of the June 26, 2007 proposed reinstatement of Zoning Ordinance provisions allowing the administrative processing of a Temporary Outdoor Event Permit for certain types of outdoor events rather than requiring a Minor Use Permit. Many temporary outdoor events serve as important fund-raisers for local non-profit organizations that benefit the whole community. Every dollar spent on obtaining permits and paying fees is a dollar not spent on the community. Many of these organizations rely heavily on volunteers to organize and run events and a Minor Use Permit that requires a public hearing would put an additional burden on these volunteer-run organizations. Among these community organizations is the Placer County Farm & Barn Tour Planning Committee focused on making the connection between farmers and ranchers and the public.

This October will be the fourth year of the Farm & Barn Tour and will include volunteer farms and ranches, county 4-H clubs, high school FFA clubs, Placer County Farm Bureau, Placer County Arts Council, grower associations such as the Mountain Mandarin Growers, and dozens of people volunteering their time and energy to make this one day educational event successful. Events like the Farm & Barn Tour are not equivalent to an amplified outdoor concert. It is a family event during daylight hours that includes educational demonstrations and information about local agriculture.

The Temporary Outdoor Event Permit process requires that detailed information regarding the date, time, location, estimated number of participants, security measures and sanitation be submitted to the Planning Director. Other County departments would have the opportunity to review permit as well. I believe that this level of review is sufficient for a one-day event like the Placer County Farm & Barn Tour without the additional burden of a public hearing. A waiver of the Temporary Outdoor Event Permit application fee for non-profit community organizations and County sponsored events would also be appropriate.