

ORDINANCE NO. 4301

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
AMENDING THE HUNTINGTON BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY
AMENDING CHAPTER 13.54 THEREOF RELATED TO
SPECIFIC EVENTS

The City Council of the City of Huntington Beach does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. That Section 13.54.010 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code entitled Definitions is hereby amended to read as follows:

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“Fourth of July Parade” is that annual parade sponsored by the City of Huntington Beach.

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“Parade route” means the entire route of a parade as approved by the Director.

“Parkway” means that area between the edge of the roadway and the adjacent property line excluding that area occupied by the sidewalk. Parkway shall also include any area within a roadway which is not open to vehicular travel.

“Public property” includes, but is not limited to, sidewalks, parkways, streets, and medians.

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“Seat” is any common chair, stool, folding chair, folding stool, bench or similar device whose purpose is seating.

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“Specific event” means the temporary use of public property, including, but not limited to, streets, beaches, and parks for any purpose including, but not limited to, events such as art shows, fund-raising events, sidewalk sales, amusement attractions, walkathons, marathon runs, block parties, parades, demonstrations, rallies, protests, picket lines, public assemblies,

performances, weddings, company events and sporting events, or any combination thereof. This chapter has no application to events that are conducted on private property.

“**Street**” means all that area dedicated to public use for public street purposes and shall include, but not be limited to, roadways, parkways, alleys, and sidewalks.

“**Structure (including grandstand)**” is that which is framed or erected. “Grandstand” is a structure whose primary purpose is seating.

SECTION 2. That Section 13.54.060 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code entitled Specific Events Committee Established is hereby amended to read as follows:fff

13.54.060 Specific Events Committee and Specific Events Executive Council Committee Established

There is hereby established a Specific Events Committee, an internal staff working group composed of representatives of pertinent City departments to discuss the permitting of and any logistical requirements for each proposed event and manage an annual calendar of approved Specific Events and City resources. The Committee may consult with community organizations, as necessary.

There is hereby established a Specific Events Executive Council Committee as a Council standing committee, comprised of three City Council members to review and recommend overall policy on Specific Events based on the City Council’s priorities. The Community and Library Services Department shall provide staff support to this Council Committee, who shall meet quarterly or as needed.

SECTION 3. That Section 13.54.070 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code entitled Review of Permit Application by Director is hereby amended to read as follows:

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SECTION 4. That Section 13.54.130 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code entitled Granting Conditions is hereby amended to read as follows:

As a condition to granting such permit, the Director may impose reasonable terms and regulations concerning the time and place of such specific event; the area and manner of conducting such specific event; the maximum number of persons participating therein; the use of amplified music, the regulation of traffic, if required, including the number and type of vehicles; the number and type of signs, banners, and barricades to be provided by applicant, if any, together with a plan of disposition attached to the application; whether alcohol shall be allowed; and such other requirements as they may find reasonable and necessary for the protection of persons and property. Any change in the approved plan must be submitted to the Community and Library Services Department and approved by the Director 14 days in advance of the event. All applicable fees shall be paid at least 30 days prior to such event.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting thereof held on the ____ day of _____, 2023.

Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Manager



City Attorney

INITIATED AND APPROVED:



Assistant City Manager

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Chapter 13.54 SPECIFIC EVENTS

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