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Re: Special Event Policy Updates

Attached you will find a proposed Special Event Policy in which the staff Special Events Committee has worked diligently on revising over the past few months. The policy was last updated in 2010 and that update seemed to focus mainly on the fees. Here are the highlights of the major changes in the proposed 2016 version:

1. Fee changes- The fees were increased by about 20% and some fees were even lowered to better reflect actual time spent/services used on these events. The smaller event fees were lowered and the large or significant event fees were increased. We also addressed fees for multiple day or reoccurring events.
2. Multiple day events was added to the policy as this was something that was not previously addressed and that we have seen an increase in. The fees for multiple day events include an additional fee of 25% of the original application fee.
3. The revised policy provides definitions for various terms/aspects of the policy such as defining days since our fees relate to the days prior to the even in which the application was filed. It also outlines procedures for the denial of special event applications due to not filing in time or providing false information on the application.
4. The policy also specifies timing for which an event may begin set up and when the event must be cleaned up by to ensure the location of the event is suitable for other uses in a timely manner.

This is a basic summary of the significant policy changes and if there are further questions I would be happy to answer them. I also welcome other suggested changes. Staff hopes to have a final policy in place in the next month or so, but certainly before the end of the year for adequate notice to current special event applicants.

Thank you,

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