COMMUNICATION: July 15, 2014 Calistoga City Council Meeting

Item I-12

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From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, July 09, 2014 12:17 PM

To:

Michael Kirn; Richard Spitler

Subject:

Fwd: July 15th City Council meeting

Good afternoon Mike and Richard. Thank you for sending these concerns to me before the meeting. Please see my answers below and let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, Carolyn

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From: Michael Kirn < MKirn@ci.calistoga.ca.us>

Date: Tue, Jul 8, 2014 at 4:19 PM

Subject: July 15th City Council meeting

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Carolyn: I wanted to provide you with much advance notice of the items of concern we have identified associated with the proposed Harvest Table special event. The bullets below will be part of our staff report to the City Council on July 15th.

- Attendee safety: Large trucks or other movable barricades should be placed at all ends of the event (four locations in total) to prevent wayward drivers from entering the dining area. The Chamber should coordinate with the Police Department for appropriate levels of public safety officers and/or private security. Given the number of attendees anticipated, the Chamber should coordinate with AMR to have emergency medical service on standby during the event
- We will be working closely with the CPD and adhere to their suggested options for ensuring the safety of the diners.
- We will contact AM

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and make them aware of the event and seek the recommendation of CFD on the feasibility of contracting AMR for the event.

- **Private Parking Lots/Alleys:** There are several private access points onto Lincoln within the proposed event area which raise a safety concern. These include access to parking lots for West America Bank, Bank of America and Mountain View Hotel and Spa. There is also a private alley between Calistoga Village Bakery and Blackbirds. These access points should be secured to prevent unauthorized entry into the event area.
- We have produced several events on Lincoln Ave. with the same type of ABC
 license we are securing for this event. We are aware of the access points and will
 work with CPD and our volunteer staff to ensure that these areas of concern are
 covered.
- **Table location:** Placement of tables down the middle of Lincoln Avenue will impact emergency vehicle access. The tables should be off-set from the center line to provide the greatest EVA width possible.
 - The placement of the tables down the center line of Lincoln Ave is critical to the aesthetics of the event. Since there will be no parking on Lincoln Ave during the event, there will still remain a significant space for EVA along the length of Lincoln.
 - Traffic Circulation: The closure of Lincoln at its intersection with Washington will disrupt traffic circulation. The intersection should remain open to traffic during the event and that the traffic signal be used for traffic control as well as advance sign placement. This will minimize the traffic detour through the ACE Hardware parking lot.
 - There will be no tables placed in that intersection but we would like that intersection to remain closed to keep pass through noise to a minimum. The utilization of Gerard St

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- **Public Transit:** The Napa Vine public transit operates two bus stops within the proposed event area. The Chamber should coordinate with NCTPA Transit to identify alternate bus stops and appropriate detour routes to minimize impacts to transit users.
- We will contact NCTPA to ensure they are aware of the event and will make detour arrangements.
 - Parking: Assuming that 500 of the attendees will drive to the event, between 200-250 cars are anticipated. The elimination of on-street parking on Lincoln results in a net loss of 80 regular and 3 disabled parking spaces. Parking arrangements should be made at the Fairgrounds and a shuttle service established.
- A majority of our attendees are anticipated to be locals within walking distance.

 There is sufficient parking within the neighborhoods and feeder street to Lincoln

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volume parking. We produce the Tractor Parade which has more than 8,000 attendees and have had no significant issues with parking.

- **Bicycle Traffic:** Under the California Vehicle Code bicycles are considered a vehicle. Closure of Lincoln Ave. to all traffic technically includes bicycles. Bicycles should be allowed to ride through the closure until 5:00 PM. After 5:00 PM bicyclists should be required to walk their bicycles through the event area or follow the identified detours.
- We are fine with this accommodation.

- Alcohol consumption: Any alcohol consumption will need to be conducted in accordance with ABC requirements.
- We follow all terms and conditions imposed upon us by the ABC in accordance with our license.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the above concerns please feel free to contact me. My direct line is 942-2782.

Thanks,

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