

ORDINANCE NO. 2023- 16

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Ozark, Arkansas, an ordinance entitled:

“An Ordinance creating a Temporary Entertainment District pursuant to A.C.A. Section 14-54-1412, setting forth standards for the regulation of Alcohol possession with such district and for other purposes.”

Section 1: Purpose - This ordinance is established to create a temporary entertainment district for individuals aged 21 and older, allowing them to purchase and consume wine and beer within designated boundaries during the specified hours for a Christmas on the Square festival to be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023, in Ozark, Arkansas.

Section 2: Boundaries - The temporary entertainment district shall encompass the area bounded by 3rd Street, including the Roy Gardner Pocket Park; Highway 64; 1st Street, including the plaza and stage; and River Street.

Section 3: Permitted Beverages - Only wine and beer shall be permitted for purchase and consumption within the designated entertainment district. Beverages must be served in specially marked cups provided by authorized vendors.

Section 4: Designated Hours - The temporary entertainment district shall be operational from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm on Saturday, December 9, 2023. No alcoholic beverages shall be sold or consumed outside of these designated hours within the Temporary Entertainment District, except those sold or consumed on premises by an Alcohol Beverage Control Board permitted establishment.

Section 5: Licensed Vendors - Only licensed alcoholic beverage vendors shall be permitted to sell wine and beer within the entertainment district. Vendors must comply with all applicable state and local regulations regarding alcohol sales. The Christmas on the Square committee shall furnish uniformly specially designated cups for the dispensing of alcoholic beverages within the Temporary Entertainment District, and only such cups shall be used by any person for the consumption of any alcoholic beverage being beer or wine, within the Temporary Entertainment District other than for on premises consumption at an Alcohol Beverage Control Board permitted establishment. The Christmas on the Square Committee may prescribe a fee or price for the furnishing of such cups on a per cup or per drink basis, and such fees shall be collected by the Committee or the vendor and expended or used solely at the discretion of such committee for the promotion of the City of Ozark and the expenses associated therewith, including the costs of the specially designated cups.

Section 6: Safety and Security - Event organizers shall coordinate with local law enforcement to ensure the safety and security of individuals within the temporary entertainment district. Adequate measures, such as security personnel and emergency services, shall be in place to address any potential issues.

Section 7: Compliance - All individuals within the entertainment district must comply with state and local laws regarding alcohol consumption. Failure to comply may result in penalties, fines, or removal from the designated area.

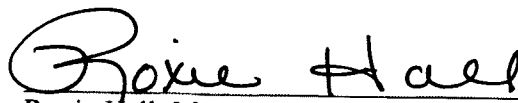
Section 8: Expiration - This ordinance is valid only for the specified date, Saturday, December 9, 2023. After 10:00 pm on that date, the temporary entertainment district shall cease to exist.

Section 9: Severability - If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of its provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 10: Effective Date - This ordinance being necessary for the promotion of the public health, safety and welfare, an emergency is declared to exist and shall take effect immediately upon approval by the local governing body.

PASSED this 13th day of November, 2023.

Approved this ~~13th~~ day of November, 2023.



Roxie Hall, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Stevens, Clerk/Recorder

ATTEST DATE: 11-13-2023