

Amended Ordinance 22 – 22

By: Troy Markham

An Ordinance to amend Section 1062.07, to allow alcohol at specific community events conditional upon approval by Council.

Whereas, The Bexley Celebrations and Events Team wishes to allow for partnership with a brewery for the upcoming “Smoke and Fire Festival” cookout competition and Jazz in the Park at Schneider Park; and

Whereas, The code allows for the serving of alcohol at Jeffrey Park (made possible via Resolution 08-16) – a policy that was created in part to allow the City to host the Big Green Egg Festival in 2016 - but does not currently have a provision for similar concepts at other parks; and

Whereas, This proposed change provides for strict controls, requiring Council approval for each community event where the serving of alcohol is proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1:

That Section 1062.07 be amended as follows:

1062.07 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, DRUGS, AND SMOKING.

(a) No person shall take into or upon any public park any alcoholic beverage, narcotic drug or opiate. No person under the influence of alcohol, narcotic drugs or opiates shall be allowed to enter or remain within any public park.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may permit the use of alcoholic beverages within a public park may be permitted under the following circumstances:

(i) In the Jeffrey Mansion building and immediate grounds subject to a Council-approved Jeffrey Mansion alcohol policy framework. Said alcohol policy framework shall specify the restrictions applicable to the use of alcohol at the Mansion, as well as the locations on the immediately surrounding grounds where alcohol use may be permitted. Notwithstanding whether Council has approved a Jeffrey Mansion alcohol policy framework or the Recreation Board has approved a Jeffrey Mansion alcohol policy, the Board may permit the use of alcoholic beverages in the Jeffrey Park grounds only for Board approved events, no more than twice in a calendar year.

(ii) In any public park, other than Jeffrey or Commonwealth Park, at a specified community event in which the serving of alcohol has received approval by a voice vote of Council.

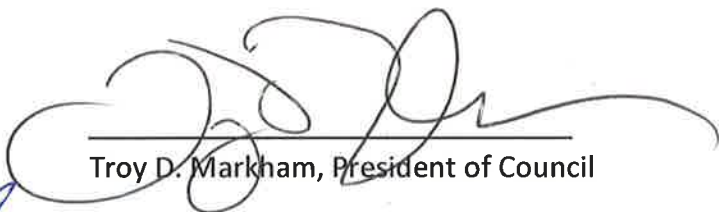
(c) Smoking, as defined in Chapter 662, is prohibited in all public parks (as defined in Chapter 662), excepting that the Recreation and Parks Board may, but is not obligated to, designate a defined smoking area adjacent to Jeffrey Mansion.

Section 2.

That this Ordinance shall go into effect, and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:

June 28, 2022



Troy D. Markham, President of Council

Attest:



Matthew McPeck, Clerk of Council

Approved: June 28, 2022



Benjamin Kessler, Mayor

First Reading: May 24, 2022

Second Reading: June 14, 2022

Third Reading: June 28, 2022