ORDINANCE NO. 2019-09-4499

CONSIDER FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE APPLICATION OF K.S.A. 41-719(D) TO ALLOW THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AT A DESIGNATED AREA OF WILSON PARK ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019.

WHEREAS, the Arkalalah Committee has requested that the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, allow it to sponsor an event to sell and serve alcohol at a designated area of Wilson Park during the Arkalalah Festival from 5 p.m. until midnight on Thursday, October 24, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the event will support the Arkalalah Festival; and

WHEREAS, the Arkalalah Committee has provided reasonable assurances that it will take all necessary precautions to ensure the property is used in full compliance with applicable state and local law; and

WHEREAS, in order to use the property in the manner requested, the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, is required by Kansas statute to adopt an Ordinance specifically exempting the property from the provisions of K.S.A. 41-719(d), which prohibits the consumption of alcoholic liquor on public property.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AFORESTATED PREMISES, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ARKANSAS, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: Notwithstanding any provision of Municipal Code to the contrary, the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, hereby exempts property located at Wilson Park (701 N. Summit St.), and designated on the attached map (hereafter “the Premises”) from the provisions of K.S.A. 41-719(d), from 5 p.m. until midnight on Thursday, October 24, 2019. The Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, hereby grants this exemption as it is a unique opportunity specifically tied to the Arkalalah Festival, a community celebration, and it will be fully contained and have measures in place to provide for security and monitoring to ensure compliance with Municipal laws. By providing this exemption, the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, hereby authorizes the Arkalalah Committee, or a duly licensed caterer acting on its behalf, to sell and serve alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverage by the drink for consumption on the Premises, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. The Arkalalah Committee shall provide security for the event and shall take all necessary precautions to ensure compliance with all other provisions of Arkansas City Municipal Code, including the Uniform Public Offense Code.

2. No person younger than twenty-one (21) years of age shall be served alcohol, and precautions shall be taken to ensure this does not occur. The Arkalalah Committee or its designee shall check photo identification and provide wristbands to those over the age of 21, to ensure no one younger than 21 is served alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverage.

3. The Premises must be fully gated or otherwise enclosed. Any place where the gating or other enclosure provides an opening for entrance and exit from the Premises must be staffed to ensure no one may leave the fenced premises with an open container of alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverage.

4. The Arkalalah Committee shall not allow a number of persons inside the Premises in excess of the occupancy load established by approved authorities, if applicable.
5. The Arkalalah Committee shall leave the Premises in a same or similar condition as it existed prior to the exemption dates, and shall remove all gating, trash, seating, portable toilets and other supplies from the event; and repair any damage, in a timely fashion.

6. This exemption shall apply only to the interior of the gated Premises and shall not include any surrounding curtilage.

SECTION TWO: PUBLICATION; EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published one time in the official City newspaper, and shall take effect and be in force from and after said publication.

PASSED AND ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, on this 17th day of September, 2019.

Jay Warren, Mayor

ATTEST:
Lesley Shook, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Larry R. Schwartz, City Attorney