

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Development Services, Planning Division

AGENDA DATE: November 18, 2008, Consent

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Mirian Spencer, (915) 541-4192, spencermd2@elpasotexas.gov

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: 8

SUBJECT:

That Vanilla, Brick & Mortar, 1914 and Shadow Lounge be authorized to provide for the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages at an outdoor street festival in the closed portion of sidewalk on Durango Street and adjacent Western Court between South Durango Street and the westerly alley from 5:00 pm, Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 2:00 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Vanilla, Brick & Mortar, 1914 and Shadow Lounge are seeking permission to sell and serve alcoholic beverages at an outdoor street festival for Thanksgiving from 5:00 pm Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 2:00 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008. A special privilege license (SPL08-00025) has been approved by the Development Coordinating Committee for the temporary street closure. There will be various booths, refreshments, and entertainment. The applicant seeks permission from the City to allow for the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages on the portion of City right-of-way that is closed for this event.

As part of the approval process, the applicant has provided insurance, with the City named as co-insured. They are also required to obtain all necessary permits to sell and serve food and beverages. The TABC (Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission) requires City Council authorization in order to issue a temporary permit for the event.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

The Development Coordinating Committee approved the special privilege application (SPL08-00025) on November 12, 2008 with the condition that applicant complies with the requirements listed in the attached letter during the proposed event.

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Victor Q. Torres _____

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

WHEREAS, Vanilla, Brick & Mortar, 1914, and Shadow Lounge (hereinafter referred to as “Grantees”) are sponsoring an outdoor street festival for a Thanksgiving Block Party (hereinafter referred to as “Event”), on Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to Thursday, November 27, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Grantees have received administrative approval for a Special Privilege License for a street closure for less than twenty-four (24) hours to temporarily close a portion of sidewalk on Durango and the adjacent Western Court, between South Durango Street and the westerly alley for the use and closure of public rights-of-way from 11:00 am Wednesday, November 26, 2008, to 10:30 am Thursday, November 27, 2008, in conjunction with the proposed Event; and

WHEREAS, the City is not a sponsor of the Event and the Grantees assume full responsibility for the planning, coordination, management and production of the Event; and

WHEREAS, the Grantees desire to provide for the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages on public rights-of-way during the Event;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the Grantees be authorized to provide for the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages at the outdoor street festival in the closed portion of sidewalk on Durango Street and the adjacent Western Court between South Durango Street and the westerly alley from 5:00 pm, Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 2:00 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008.

ADOPTED this _____ day of November 2008.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

ATTEST:

John F. Cook
Mayor

Richarda Duffy Momsen,
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Mark Shoosmith
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Christina Ainsworth, Lead Planner
Development Services Department

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**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PLANNING DIVISION**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 10, 2008

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council
Joyce Wilson, City Manager

FROM: Mirian Spencer, Planner

SUBJECT: That Vanilla, Brick & Mortar, 1914 and Shadow Lounge be authorized to provide for the sale and serving of alcoholic beverages at an outdoor street festival in the closed portion of sidewalk on Durango Street and adjacent Western Court between South Durango Street and the westerly alley from 5:00 pm, Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 2:00 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Development Coordinating Committee granted SPL08-00025 which permits the use of the closed portion of public rights-of-way of Western Court between the South Durango Street and the westerly alley and the sidewalk adjacent to South Durango Street from 11:00 am, Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 10:30 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008 for an outdoor block party for Thanksgiving.

The Development Coordinating Committee imposed conditions which are required for all street closures.

There was **NO OPPOSITION** to this request.

Enclosures: DCC action letter, Site Plan

JOHN COOK
MAYOR

JOYCE WILSON
CITY MANAGER

VICTOR Q. TORRES
DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

MATHEW S. McELROY
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, PLANNING



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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PLANNING DIVISION
November 12, 2008

Brick & Mortar, Shadow Lounge, Vanilla Bar, and 1914 Lounge
115 S. Durango Ste. A-D
El Paso, TX 79901
Attn: Mario Porras and Octavio Gomez

Re: SPL08-00025, an Outdoor block party, 11:00 am Wednesday, November 26, 2008 to 10:30 am Thursday November 27, 2008

The Development Coordinating Committee (DCC) on November 12, 2008 considered the request for a Temporary Right-of-way closure for less than 24 hours for portions of public rights-of-way at Western Court between South Durango Street and the westerly alley and the sidewalk adjacent to South Durango Street from 11:00 am, November 26, 2008 to 10:30 am, Thursday, November 27, 2008.

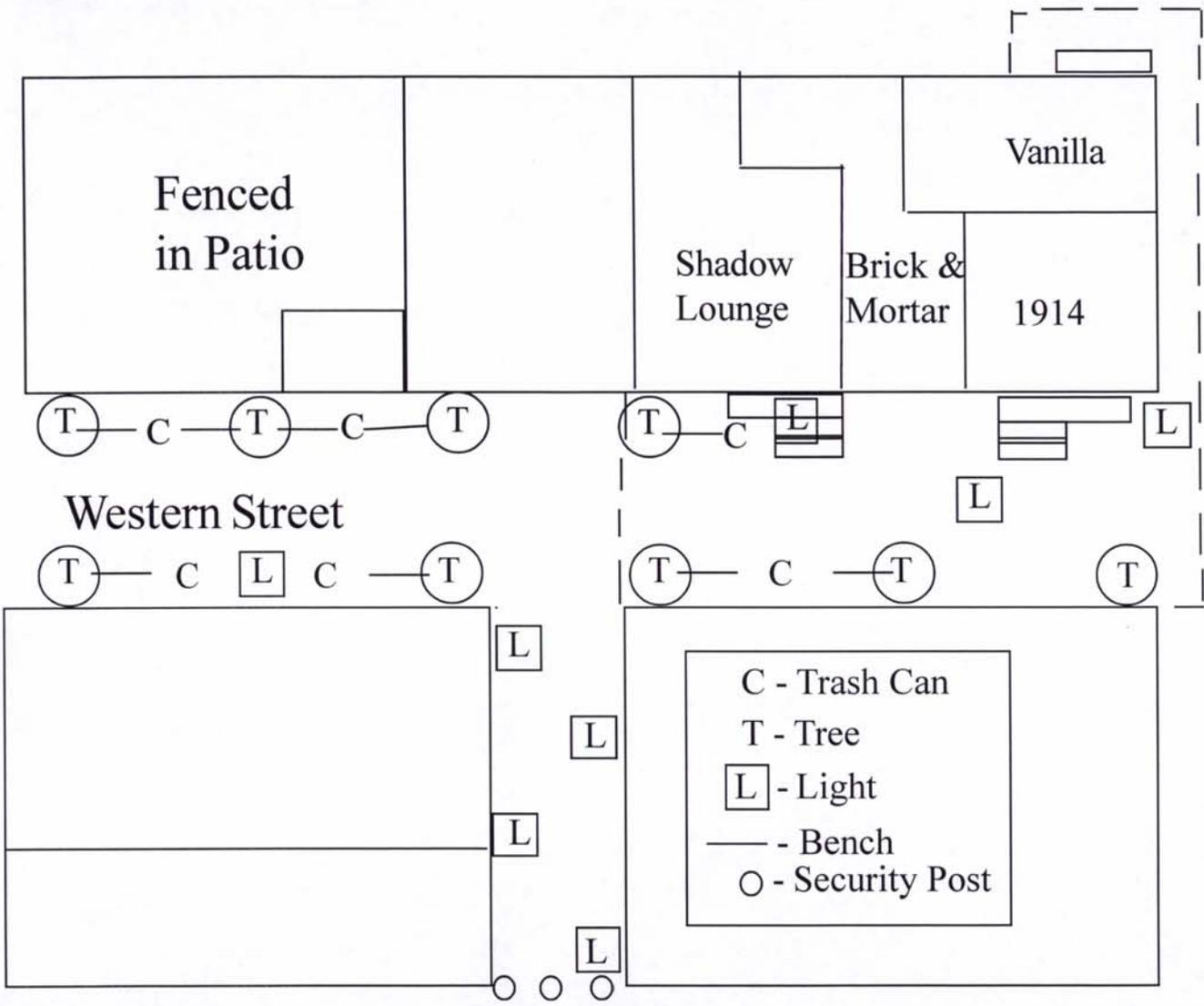
The following will be required for the duration of time that the public rights-of-way listed above are closed for the event:

- First Aid stations and portable toilets will be required for the event.
- Drainage systems in the area must remain unimpeded. No perforations may be done to the sidewalks and pavement within public rights-of-way.
- Must contact Alonzo Ruiz of Environmental Services to address garbage removal after the event at (915) 621-6706.
- Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed (including off-street parking) width of no less than 20 feet.
- Fire hydrants, fire department inlet connections, and fire department control valves shall not be obstructed in any manner to prevent such equipment from being immediately discernible.
- Coordinate with EL Paso Fire Department Fire Marshall's Office, Permits Section. Lt. Jorge Sanchez at (915) 771-1090.
- Coordinate sales and service of alcoholic beverages with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Sgt. Sal Morales at (915) 834-5860.
- Emergency access will be required for El Paso Water Utilities (EPWU) personnel and vehicle access for emergency repair.
- EPWU meters and manholes, water and sanitary sewer facilities must remain clear and unobstructed for EPWU personnel

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Western Street

West San Antonio Ave.

- C - Trash Can
- T - Tree
- L - Light
- - Bench
- O - Security Post

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