

**Special Event Permit  
September 8, 2015  
Consent Agenda**

**SE-15-00442:** A Special Event for a Zombie Walk Watch Party fundraiser to be held in the private parking lot south of The Granada on Thursday, October 15, 2015. Submitted by Mike Logan, owner of The Granada, with permission from Allen Press Inc., property owner of record.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Current Zoning and Land Use: CD (Downtown Commercial) District; private parking and public street right-of-way.

Surrounding Zoning and Land Use: CD (Downtown Commercial) District to the north, south, east and west; commercial uses.

OS (Open Space) District to the southwest; Japanese Friendship Garden Park.

GPI (General Public and Institutional Use) District on the northwest corner of 11<sup>th</sup> & Massachusetts Street; Watkins Museum of History.

**STAFF REVIEW**

A temporary special event permit has been requested to allow the owner of The Granada to hold a free concert in a private parking lot located south of The Granada. The private parking lot is owned by Allen Press, Inc., who has granted permission for the applicant to use the lot.

The event date is Thursday, October 15 when the applicant proposes to use the parking lot between the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. A beer cart and fundraising tables (approximately 6' x 8') will be set up within the parking lot. Entrance to the event will be limited to the Massachusetts Street side of the property with egress occurring from both ends of the parking lot. The applicant will use private security for crowd control and to keep food and drink consumption contained to the event parking lot.

[Chapter 6, Article 15](#) of the City Code regulates temporary special events. This event is classified as a Type 5 event (public events intended primarily for entertainment or amusement, such as concerts or festivals). The City Commission is charged with considering Type 5 temporary special events, as well as other special events that do not meet the standards in the City Code to qualify for administrative approval by city staff. This application represents the third temporary special event permit request for this property location this year.

The temporary special event permit application was forwarded to other City Departments for review. Several comments and recommendations were received from the Fire Department. They are addressed as conditions in the staff recommendation.

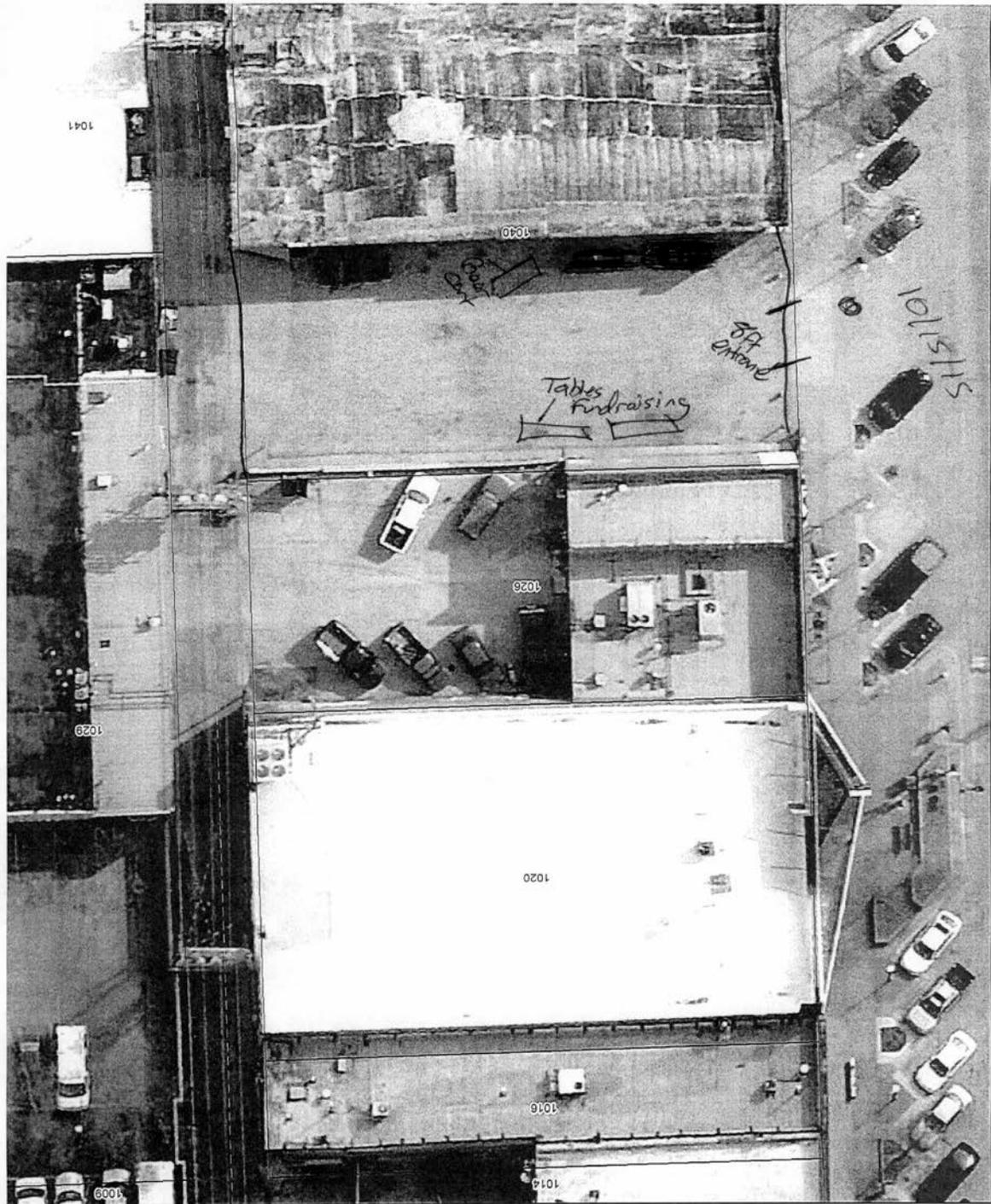
**RECOMMENDATION**

Planning Staff recommends approval of the Temporary Special Event Permit for a Zombie Walk Watch Party fundraiser to be held in the private parking lot south of The Granada (parking lot is

more specifically located north of and adjacent to the building located at 1040 Massachusetts Street) on October 15, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. subject to the following conditions:

1. The Special Event Permit must be displayed on site during hours of operation.
2. A copy of the State ABC Office approval and/or City of Lawrence Temporary Liquor License shall be available for inspection during the event.
3. Temporary sign permit must be obtained from Development Services for any temporary signage.
4. The parking lot occupant load is set at 781 occupants.
5. A minimum of 2 exits will be provided. These should be placed at the east and west side of the parking lot to provide required egress width for the event. The total width of all exits shall be a minimum of 156" [13 feet].
6. The applicant will have private security personnel stationed at the entrance/exit locations at all times during the event for crowd control and to keep alcohol consumption contained to the event parking lot. No alcohol consumption on the public right-of-way will be permitted.
7. Fire extinguisher should be placed near the stage area for staff in case of an emergency.
8. The applicant shall provide trash receptacles or other sanitation provisions as needed.





Date: 8/20/20

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