



To: Members of Dublin City Council
From: Dana L. McDaniel, City Manager
Date: June 16, 2021
Initiated By: Alison LeRoy, Director, Community Events
Re: Alcohol Waiver for the North Market Wine Fest

Background

Staff has received a request from the North Market at Bridge Park to waive the policy of not allowing alcohol on City property for their upcoming Wine Fest. The letter of request and description of the event is attached.

Staff has received the permit application for this event and has been and will continue to work with the event organizers throughout the planning and development stages.

Summary

The North Market is planning on moving their wine festival from the downtown location to the Bridge Park location. This event has a long history and the staff at the North Market are handling all of the logistical and legal details. Onsite safety and security will be consistent with other similar events and will be managed by Dublin Police. The event will occur on Longshore Street in front of the North Market Friday, September 10 through Saturday, September 11.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval for the North Market Wine Fest for an alcohol waiver on City property. Staff will continue to stay involved in their planning to ensure a safe event with the support of many City work units.



To: The Members of Dublin City Council
From: North Market, Ohio Public Market Authority
May 27, 2021

Re: Alcohol sales for North Market Wine Fest

North Market, in partnership with Crawford Hoying and local distributors and wineries, is hosting the popular North Market Wine Fest event for the 18th time in 19 years, and for the first time at our Bridge Park location, on Friday, September 10 through Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Bridge Park in Dublin, Ohio.

Bridge Park will serve as the destination, where beverage, food, street and live music festival will be the culmination of events during the weekend. The goal of this event is to engage the Dublin community, on both sides of the river, as well as wine patrons and visitors. North Market Wine Fest hours of operation are slated for 5-10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday 2-10 p.m. with live entertainment throughout the event. We are submitting special event permits to shut down the street (Longshore Street, between Tuller Ridge Drive and Larimer Street), where alcohol sales will be sold within approved fencing areas.

We are asking permission to allow each winery participating in the event to serve the alcoholic beverages on city streets. North Market Bridge Park will provide the food sales for this event. All parties involved regularly work these types of events to serve alcohol and staff have been trained to adhere to guidelines for proper distribution and serving practices.

Over the past several months, we have been in constant contact with Alison LeRoy, Lori Gischel and numerous other City officials from fire, streets, safety and more, who have helped us coordinate all necessary city service providers. With their help and yours, we truly feel this will be an exciting event and resounding success for the City of Dublin, distributors and wineries, and Bridge Park for the first year in Dublin and the 18th year running.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Rick Harrison Wolfe, Executive Director
North Market Bridge Park
Ohio Public Market Authority