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CROSS REFERENCES

- Power to prohibit street obstructions - see 3rd Class §2403(16)  
(53 P.S. §37403(16))
- Power to regulate parades - see Vehicle Code 75 Pa. C.S.A. §6109(3)
- Driving through processions - see TRAF. 513.05
- Sound trucks, amplifiers prohibited - see GEN. OFF. 713.04

505.01 PARADES AND STREET FAIRS AUTHORIZED.

Under and subject to the provisions of this article, it is lawful to hold parades and street fairs on the streets, sidewalks and highways of the City.  
(Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

505.02 PERMIT REQUIRED.

Parades and street fairs shall be held only by organizations or by groups of individuals banded together for such purpose, and only after permit for the holding thereof has been granted by the Mayor. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

505.03 PERMIT APPLICATIONS.

(a) Applications for parade permits and street fair permits shall be made to the Mayor at least five days before the date selected for the holding of such parade or street fair, and shall be made on official forms furnished by the City for that purpose. The Mayor may exercise discretion and consider any application which is not made at least five days in advance.

(b) The application for such permit shall state the names and addresses of the group or organization desiring to hold such parade or street fair, the name of the person who shall be in charge thereof, the purpose of the parade or street fair, the date and time for the holding thereof, the streets, sidewalks and highways over which the parade shall pass or on which the street fair shall be held, and such other information as the Mayor deems reasonably necessary. Such parade or street fair shall not be held at any other time or

on any other streets, sidewalks or highways not specified in the application for the permit. The application for the permit shall be filed by the person in charge of such group or organization. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

(c) Applications for parade permits and street fair permits shall be accompanied by a fee of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than thirty dollars (\$30.00). The exact fee shall be set by the Mayor in such amount as he may from time to time determine to be sufficient to cover the cost of processing such application. (Ord. 26-1984 §1. Passed 10-16-84.)

#### 505.04 EVENTS ADVERTISING FOR PRIVATE PROFIT PROHIBITED.

No permit shall be issued authorizing the conduct of a parade or street fair which the Mayor finds is proposed to be held for the sole purpose of advertising any product, goods, wares, merchandise or commercial event, and is designed to be held purely for private profit. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

#### 505.05 PERMIT ISSUANCE AND DENIAL STANDARDS.

(a) Standards for Issuance. The Mayor shall issue a parade or street fair permit conditioned upon the applicant's written agreement to comply with the terms of such permit unless the Mayor finds that:

- (1) The time, size and location of the parade or street fair will disrupt to an unreasonable extent the movement of traffic or the public peace;
- (2) The parade or street fair is of a size or nature that requires the diversion of so great a number of police officers of the City that reasonable police protection would be denied to the City;
- (3) Such parade or street fair will interfere with another parade or street fair for which a permit has been issued.

(b) Standards for Denial. The Mayor shall deny an application for a parade or street fair permit and notify the applicant of such denial where:

- (1) The Mayor makes any finding contrary to the findings required to be made for the issuance of a permit;
- (2) The information contained in the application is found to be false or nonexistent in any material detail;
- (3) The applicant refuses to agree to abide by or comply with all conditions of the permit. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

#### 505.06 COMPLIANCE WITH ORDINANCES, RULES AND CONDITIONS.

Any parade or street fair shall be subject to City ordinances and resolutions, to any rules and regulations which may be prescribed by the Mayor applicable to such parades and street fairs, and to any conditions imposed by the Mayor in the permit. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

#### 505.07 NOTICE OF PERMIT ISSUANCE.

Immediately upon the granting of a permit for a parade or street fair, the Mayor shall send a copy thereof to the following individuals:

- (a) Chief of Police.
- (b) Fire Chief.
- (c) Director of Public Safety.
- (d) Director of Public Works.

- (e) Director of Business Administration.  
(Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

**505.08 REVOCATION OF PERMIT.**

Any permit for a parade or street fair issued pursuant to this article may be summarily revoked by the Mayor or the Director of Public Safety at anytime when by reason of disaster, public calamity, riot or other emergency, the Mayor or Director deems that the safety of the public or property requires such revocation. Notice of such action revoking such permit shall be delivered in writing to the permittee by personal service or by certified mail.  
(Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

**505.09 PERMIT PREREQUISITE TO HOLD PARADE OR STREET FAIR.**

No person shall hold any parade or street fair on the streets, sidewalks and highways of the City or knowingly participate in any such parade or street fair unless a permit to conduct such parade or street fair has been obtained as required by the provisions of this article.  
(Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

**505.10 PROHIBITED ACTS.**

No person shall knowingly join or participate in any parade or street fair conducted under a permit from the Mayor in violation of any of the terms of such permit, nor knowingly join or participate in any permitted parade or street fair without the consent or over the objection of the permittee, nor in any manner interfere with its progress or orderly conduct. (Ord. 14-1978 §1. Passed 5-8-78.)

**505.11 DOGS PROHIBITED.**

(a) No owner of any dog, and no person who has been given the care and custody of any dog by its owner, whether such dog is bearing a license tag or not, shall permit such dog to be upon the streets, sidewalks and highways over which a parade shall pass or on which a street fair shall be held, during the time of such parade or street fair, irrespective of whether such dog is on a leash or not.

- (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to:

- (1) Any owner of a dog that, with the consent of the parade or street fair permit holder, is a part of the organized plan or program for the parade or street fair; or
- (2) Any blind person owning a guide dog.  
(Ord. 4-1982 §1. Passed 4-20-82.)

**505.99 PENALTY.**

Whoever violates any provision of this article shall, upon conviction thereof be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and costs of prosecution, and in default of the payment thereof, shall be imprisoned for not more than ninety days (90 days).  
(Ord. 1-2009. Passed 1-6-09.)