CITY OF WARRENSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

September 10, 2018

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Warrensburg, Missouri

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 3-14 FOR

CERTAIN SPECIAL EVENTS SEPTEMBER 28 and 29, 2018 PURSUANT TO

SECTION 3-14(b) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

BACKGROUND:

Warrensburg Main Street outlined their plan for the annual Burg Fest September 28 and 29, 2018. In connection with this event, Warrensburg Main Street, as the sponsoring organization, submitted an application to suspend the open container ordinance for a beer garden. Council adopted Ordinance 4999 to suspend these provisions for a specific area with certain conditions.

ISSUE:

The activities during this event, organized by Warrensburg Main Street Inc., include music and other forms of entertainment. Main Street organization will work with the Police Chief and Public Works to secure the area with barricades set up at all entry points to the open container area. Burg Fest volunteers will be positioned at all entry points and wrist bands placed on everyone that possesses alcohol to ensure compliance. The City Code requires Council action to suspend the code for such events. The beer garden will be in the parking lot of the Johnson County Justice Center, 101 W. Market Street, and on Maynard Street between W. Market and W. Gay Streets

STRATEGIC PLAN:

FOCUS II: Community Pride and Interaction

FISCAL IMPACT:

City staff providing assistance in setting up and removing barricades.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS/IMPACT:

Some increased retail trade during the events for downtown businesses. The desired long term impact is furthering economic development for Warrensburg.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the ordinance as submitted.

Sincerely,

Rich Lockhart Police Chief

cc: City Manager

Attachments: 1. Ordinances

2. Application