From James Benney

Dear Tiffany and Staff,

Although we can certainly meet almost all of your new requirements and expectations,

we cannot produce the event our public expects with the unnecessary and intrusive limitations

on campfire music and adequate set up time.

Although it has been clear for several years that you did not want this event to continue,

for reasons we are unable to fathom, we all appreciate the fact that we were able to do it

yours truly,

James Benney

Link to file: Two Day Town 2022 08292022

Link to file: TDT 2023 Event Plan with comments

On Dec 7, 2022, at 11:58 AM, specialeventpermit <specialeventpermit@ebparks.org> wrote:

Hello James,

Thank you for your patience as District staff reviewed your application packet, event plan, and supporting documents.

The special event permit process is in place to not only ensure the protection of park facilities and resources but to help mitigate the impact of special events on other park visitors, concessionaires, District staff, and park neighbors. Park usage and visitation has changed dramatically over the last two decades. In addition, park staffing, and park facilities have also changed with the recent addition of a full-time Naturalist staff and Visitor Center at Del Valle. As mentioned in the letter sent on August 29, 2022 and discussed on October 13th at the in-person meeting at District Headquarters, we are requesting modifications be made to the Two Day event plan to ensure it's continued success at this location.

Attached you will find a copy of your event plan with select text highlighted along with notes/comments. We've highlighted items where changes or further clarification is needed including those modifications outlined in the letter dated August 29, 2022. You'll also find most of the named roles, such as Operations Manager, highlighted. As we get closer to the event, Two Day Town will need to provide a list of names for these key roles. This contact list will need to be submitted along with the volunteer schedules prior to the event.

Attached you'll also find a map indicating the potential impact of the upcoming restroom construction project. It's anticipated that a 36' x 108' section of the parking lot will be fenced off for storage of equipment and supplies. In addition, several spaces in front of that will be reserved for construction vehicles. The restroom under construction will likely be fenced off for safety as well. These space requirements are only estimates at this time and the true impact won't be known until the project begins.

The IAP is still under review by Public Safety and updates pertaining to that portion will follow shortly.

Please update your application, event plan, and maps to include the comments or changes requested and resubmit.

Take care,

<image001.jpg> Shannon Punt
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