MEMO

Date: August 9th, 2022
To: BPRW Commission
From: Abra Clawson, BCA Event Manager
RE: Special Use Permit for August 13, 2022

Request for a Special Use Permit at City Hall Park to hold a “Raving for Recovery” event and for a waiver to allow amplified sound for 5 consecutive hours.

The Turning Point Center of Chittenden County will be hosting a celebration at City Hall Park on August 13th, from 4-9pm. This event will be informative of, celebratory for, and stigma busting to Recovery and Substance Use Disorder. The city is partnering with the event to waive the site rental fee. This event occurred last August as well under the name “Party Sober VT.”

This event is expected to have around 200-300 participants over the course of the evening, and 10 volunteers/staff. King Street Lemonade will be providing lemonade and the Turning Point Center will be working with BCA to ensure all vendors follow the required guidelines and go through the proper process. They and BCA staff will be responsible for site clean-up. They have the necessary Certificate of Insurance.

The amplified sound will take place between 4 and 9pm and will be a series of speakers, a DJ, and a band. BCA staff will be managing all production elements, including sound and lighting. The Turning Point Center has already booked City Hall Park.

Contact for the event is Cameron Lauf.

This is on a day with no conflicting events and will begin after the load out for the BTV Market is complete.

Estimated set list
3:00pm – Load in for DJ’s, Band
3:30pm – Load in for all partners, vendors, and other parties
4:00pm – DJ Chia – Rep. Brian Cina and Cam Lauf, Executive Director of TPCCC – introductions and opening of event
4:45pm – Speakers Sen. Kesha Ram Hinsdale, Councilmember Joe Magee, TPCCC Board President Rosi Gowdey
5:30pm – DJ Chia
6:00pm – Testimony from Emma Nilan, Low-Barrier Outreach Coach
6:10pm – DJ Reign One
7:00pm – Testimony
7:20pm – Dobbs’ Dead
9:00pm – Close
Staff Recommendations:
Allow for Special Use Permit including a waiver for amplified sound, and an extension to have amplified sound for five hours.