



MEMO

Date: February 8th, 2022
To: BPRW Commission
From: Meghan O'Daniel, Community Garden & Parks Outreach Coordinator
RE: HSCC Special Use Permit for June 5th, 2022

Request for a Special Use Permit at Battery Park to hold a fundraising event and for a waiver to allow amplified sound.

The Humane Society of Chittenden County (HSCC) will be hosting their 28th Annual Walk for the Animals & 5K Doggie Fun Run at Battery Park on Sunday, June 5th. Fundraising efforts for this event help support their mission to ensure that every pet has a loving home and that every pet owner has access to the resources they need to give those pets happy, healthy lives. In 2021, HSCC celebrated 1,385 adoptions and provided low-cost veterinary services for hundreds of locally owned cats and dogs through their Community Pet Clinic.

This event is expected to have around 200 participants and 40 volunteers. They are requesting use of the Bike Path. HSCC is anticipating that local organizations will be providing complimentary snacks for participants and will be working with the Department to ensure all vendors follow the required guidelines and go through the proper process. They are prepared to provide extra portalets and their staff and volunteers will be responsible for site clean-up. They have the necessary Certificate of Insurance.

The amplified sound will take place between 9am and 11:30am, including music from a playlist and speeches. They have already booked Battery Park.

Staff contacts for the event are Diana Hill, Erin Alamed and/or Amanda Bottiggi.

It is on a day with no conflicting events.

Staff Recommendations:

Allow for Special Use Permit including a waiver for amplified sound.