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To: Jonesville City Council
From: Jeffrey M. Gray, City Manager 
Date: April 18, 2022
Re: Supplemental Information – April 20, 2022 Council Meeting

The staff recommendation for Item 6. G. on the Council agenda was inadvertently omitted from the original staff memorandum. The recommended action is included below. I apologize for the oversight.

6. G. Riverfest Weekend Yard and Garage Sale Permit Waiver [Action Item]

Chapter 20, Article IV of the Code of Ordinances regulates yard and garage sales within the City of Jonesville. Section 20-77(6) allows the City Council to waive ordinance requirements for community events. I recommend waiving the requirement for permits between Thursday, May 19, 2022 and Sunday, May 22, 2022. Riverfest weekend sales will not be counted toward each resident's six allowed sales limit. All other provisions of the ordinance remain in effect, including the placement of signs. *Please refer to the attached excerpt of the Code of Ordinances.*

ARTICLE IV. - YARD AND GARAGE SALES

Sec. 20-76. - Purpose.

It is the purpose of this article to regulate the operation of yard and garage sales in the city for the purpose of minimizing increased traffic, noise, and nuisance of repeated sales of various types of personal property. Successive sales can detract from the tranquility and privacy of neighborhoods, public safety, welfare and prosperity of the city and its residents.

(Ord. No. 204, § 1, 2-16-2011)

Sec. 20-77. - Requirements; permit, frequency, time, manner, etc.

It shall be unlawful and punishable by municipal civil infraction for any person to expose for sale, offer for sale or sell personal property from residential land, except in the following manner:

- (1) Six sales may be conducted from a residence within a calendar year, but not more than one per month.
- (2) A free permit must be obtained from the city. Permits allow the sale for no more than four consecutive days.
- (3) Sales may run from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- (4) No sign shall be placed on public property, within a public right-of-way, between the curb and sidewalk, on any tree, light pole, utility pole or in any location that obstructs the vision of any motorist. Any such sign will be removed without notice. Signs are to be removed immediately following the end of the sale.
- (5) Upon written application of the majority of residents of any block, the city council may authorize a block yard sale which will not be counted against an individual's permitted sales.
- (6) Restrictions of this article may be waived by the city council for sales conducted by charitable organizations and community events.

(Ord. No. 204, § 2, 2-16-2011)

Sec. 20-78. - Violations; declaration of nuisance.

Any yard or garage sale operated in violation of this article is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se.

(Ord. No. 204, § 3, 2-16-2011)

Sec. 20-79. - Penalty.

Whoever violates any provision of this article is responsible for a municipal civil infraction, and shall be subject to the payment of a civil fine of not less than \$100.00 or in accordance with the current civil fine schedule, whichever is greater, plus costs and other sanctions for each infraction. Each day that a violation exists or continues shall constitute a separate and additional violation.

(Ord. No. 204, § 4, 2-16-2011)

Secs. 20-80—20-105. - Reserved.