



City of Kenosha Park Use Requirements: Permits required for various organized events

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KENOSHA – The Department of Public Works Park Division would like to remind residents and visitors of the Park Use requirements within the City of Kenosha. Because of the pandemic, some uses of the parks are limited for the 2020 season. People are still allowed to visit the City parks and use the amenities; however, some organized activities are prohibited and violators may receive a municipal citation if they do not have a required permit.

Public special events require an approved operational plan and a permit from the City of Kenosha. Public special events include but are not limited to festivals, concerts, parades, markets or shows. Special event applications are due at least 45 days in advance of a proposed event. Applications are available on the City web site, or by calling: 262-653-4177.

Athletic events also require an approved operational plan and a permit from the City of Kenosha.

The City also currently prohibits Street Parties that require a street closure permit. Street Party applications are expected to be available again in 2021, and must be submitted at least 10 days in advance to the Department of Public Works.

Picnic area reservations are not being accepted for 2020. At this time, people may use areas of the parks on a first-come, first-served basis if they don't meet the permit requirements as specified below.

The City would like to ensure that the following rules are not violated as they require a permit to undertake in accordance with Code of General Ordinances 6.05 (A):

- Hold any assembly or gathering of 250 or more persons.
- Engage in organized athletic competition or team sports.
- Reserve any athletic field for a date and time certain.

- Reserve any picnic area for a date and time certain.
- Sell food, beverage or any other product or service.
- Possess and consume fermented malt beverages and/or wine.
- Perform any act, otherwise prohibited under Code of General Ordinances 6.02(A); 6.02(B) and 6.2 (C)
- Produce amplified sound in excess of decibel limit specified in Chapter 23 of the Code of General Ordinances.
- Special Events as defined in Section 12.06 shall be permitted pursuant to that section in lieu of the permit as described above.

Questions on street parties, picnic area reservations and athletic reservations should be directed to the Department of Public Works: 262-653-4050.