



Dear Sean,

November 21, 2019

We just completed our sixth and most successful year of the Newport Beach Wine & Food Festival, and I would like to thank the Council and Staff of the City of Newport Beach for allowing us to host the Newport Beach Wine & Food Festival at the Civic Center once again this past year.

The Grand Tasting is our main event of the 16 events we hold over the four-day weekend, and the event that we have been holding at the Civic Center for the past six years. We would like to move the Grand Tasting portion of the event to Peninsula Park on the beach next year. Besides showcasing the stunning beaches of Newport, the location has twice as much space and a very large adjacent parking lot. Next year our event dates are October 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with set up starting October 6<sup>th</sup>. Venue will be torn down by October 13<sup>th</sup> at 10pm.

Moving the event will not only allow us to continue growing, but it will end the toll it takes each year on the grass and hardscape at the Civic Center.

I am requesting a waiver of section A, 1 (Use of Alcohol) in the Public Use Of City Facilities rules. Please see below.

A. Use of Alcohol. 1. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited and shall not be permitted in or on any municipal facilities operated by the Department, except beer and wine may be served for special occasions at the OASIS Senior Center, Newport Theatre Arts Center (NTAC), Newport Coast Community Center (NCCC), Civic Center Community Room (CCCR), and Marina Park when done in compliance with State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) regulations and approved in writing by the Recreation and Senior Services Director. Approval to serve beer and wine shall not be deemed to approve service of alcohol in violation of Section 25604 of the Business and Professions Code. The Recreation and Senior Services Director will require the permittee to pay City costs to provide additional security when alcohol is served.

Thank you for your consideration of waiving this line item.

With much gratitude,

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