

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND  
Legislative Session 2020, Legislative Day No. 22

Bill No. 97-20

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Mrs. Cathy Bevins, Chair  
By Request of the County Executive

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By the County Council, September 21, 2020

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A BILL  
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Permits, Approvals, and Inspections – Event Permits

FOR the purpose of reorganizing certain provisions related to event regulations, permits, and amusements; re-codifying certain provisions on explicit movies shown in open-air theaters; clarifying certain department roles in reviewing event permits; creating a certain category of permit for carnivals; establishing requirements for certain event permits; requiring certain responsibilities of event permit holders; establishing grounds for certain event permit issuance or denial; establishing certain restrictions on the issuance of event permits; permitting the County to inspect certain permitted events and revoke certain event permits; and generally relating to event permits.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.  
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

BY adding

Section 21-4-401  
Article 21 – Permits, Licenses, and Business Regulation  
Title 4 – Amusements  
Subtitle 4 – X-Rated Movies  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments

Sections 21-9-101 through 21-9-105  
Article 21 – Permits, Licenses, and Business Regulation  
Title 9 – Gatherings and Events  
Subtitle 1 – In General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY adding

Sections 21-9-106 through 21-9-111  
Article 21 – Permits, Licenses, and Business Regulation  
Title 9 – Gatherings and Events  
Subtitle 1 – In General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY repealing

Sections 21-14-101 through 21-14-107  
Article 21 – Permits, Licenses, and Business Regulation  
Title 14 – Parades  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE  
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County read as follows:

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4 ARTICLE 21 – PERMITS, LICENSES, AND BUSINESS REGULATION

5 Title 4 – Amusements

6 SUBTITLE 4 – X-RATED MOVIES

1 § 21-4-401. OPEN-AIR THEATER; X-RATED MOVIE PROHIBITED

2 (A) A PERSON MAY NOT SHOW AN X-RATED (PERSONS UNDER 17 YEARS  
3 OLD NOT ADMITTED) MOVIE AT AN OPEN-AIR THEATER IN A MANNER THAT THE  
4 SCREEN CAN BE SEEN BY NONPATRONS FROM PLACES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC OR  
5 FROM A PUBLIC HIGHWAY.

6 (B) THE SHOWING OF AN X-RATED MOVIE IN VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION  
7 (A) OF THIS SECTION IS A PUBLIC NUISANCE.

8 (C) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IS  
9 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT  
10 EXCEEDING \$100.

11 (2) EACH DAY THAT THE OPERATION CONTINUES IN VIOLATION OF  
12 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION CONSTITUTES A SEPARATE OFFENSE.

13  
14 Title 9 – Gatherings and Events

15 Subtitle 1 – In General

16  
17 § 21-9-101. Authority of the County.

18 (a) (1) The powers granted to the county under this title and all regulations adopted  
19 in accordance with this title are granted and are to be exercised under, in accordance with, and by  
20 virtue of the police powers of the state.

21 (2) All regulations adopted shall be for the protection of the health, morals, and  
22 for the general welfare of the people.

23 (b) The [county]DIRECTOR OF PERMITS, APPROVALS AND INSPECTIONS may:

1 (1) [Designate and adopt]ADOPT regulations in accordance with Article 3, Title  
2 6 of the Code for the operation of the kinds and types of meets, contests, and events, including  
3 CARNIVALS, walkathons, dance marathons, and endurance contests, [which]THAT may be  
4 operated in the county;

5 (2) Designate kinds and types of meets, contests, and events [which] THAT may  
6 not be operated in the county as detrimental to the health, morals, and safety of the people and  
7 property of the county.

8 (c) (1) THE CHIEF OF POLICE MAY ADOPT A DETAIL PAY POLICY UNDER  
9 WHICH APPLICANTS FOR PERMITS UNDER § 21-9-103 OF THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE  
10 REQUIRED TO PAY FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY ON-DUTY OFFICERS ~~UNDER~~  
11 ~~CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.~~

12 (2) THE DETAIL PAY POLICY MAY REQUIRE PRE-PAYMENT OF  
13 REQUIRED FEES OR THE POSTING OF SECURITY SATISFACTORY TO THE COUNTY.

14 (3) THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER SHALL ESTABLISH AND FROM  
15 TIME TO TIME REVIEW SUCH FEES.

16 (D) (1) A DETAIL PAY POLICY ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS  
17 SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO AN APPLICANT FOR PERMITS UNDER § 21-9-103 OF  
18 THIS SUBTITLE IF THE APPLICANT MEETS THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

19 (I) THE APPLICANT IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH ITS  
20 PRINCIPAL LOCATION IN THE COUNTY;

21 (II) THE APPLICANT HAS SPONSORED A CARNIVAL IN THE  
22 COUNTY AT THE SAME LOCATION AND SCALE FOR AT LEAST THE PAST TEN  
23 CONSECUTIVE YEARS THROUGH THE CURRENT YEAR, EXCLUDING FORCE

1 MAJEURE RELATED CANCELLATIONS; AND

2 (III) THE APPLICANT HAS SUCCESSFULLY PROVIDED AND  
3 COORDINATED THE SECURITY FOR SUCH A CARNIVAL WITH THE POLICE  
4 DEPARTMENT IN EACH OF THOSE YEARS.

5 (2) AN APPLICANT QUALIFYING UNDER THE EXEMPTION SET FORTH IN  
6 SUBSECTION (D)(1) OF THIS SECTION THAT HAS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR  
7 PROVIDED INADEQUATE SECURITY SUCH THAT AN EMERGENCY CALL FOR  
8 SERVICE WAS MADE REGARDING CROWD CONTROL, ASSAULTS, PROPERTY  
9 DAMAGE, OR OTHER DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR, MAY AT THE DISCRETION OF THE  
10 CHIEF OF POLICE BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION  
11 (C) OF THIS SECTION.

12  
13 § 21-9-102. [Open-Air Theaters]DEFINITIONS

14 [(a) A person may not show an x-rated (persons under 17 years old not admitted) movie  
15 at an open-air theatre in a manner that the screen can be seen by nonpatrons from places open to  
16 the public or from a public highway.

17 (b) The showing of an x-rated movie in violation of subsection (a) of this section is a  
18 public nuisance.

19 (c) (1) A person who violates subsection (a) of this section is guilty of a  
20 misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100.

21 (2) Each day that the operation continues in violation of subsection (a) of this  
22 section constitutes a separate offense.]

23 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS

1 INDICATED.

2 (B) 'CARNIVAL' MEANS AN ENTERPRISE THAT CONSISTS PRINCIPALLY OF  
3 ONE OR MORE TEMPORARILY LOCATED AMUSEMENT RIDES OR STRUCTURES  
4 THAT GIVES AMUSEMENT, EXCITEMENT, PLEASURE, OR THRILLS TO PEOPLE  
5 WHO MOVE AROUND, OVER, OR THROUGH THE STRUCTURE WITHOUT THE AID  
6 OF A MOVING DEVICE INTEGRAL TO THE STRUCTURE.

7 ~~(B)~~ (C)(1) "EVENT" MEANS AN EVENT FOR WHICH A PERMIT IS REQUIRED  
8 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

9 (2) "EVENT" INCLUDES A PARADE.

10 ~~(C)~~ (D) "PARADE" MEANS A PARADE, MARCH, OR PROCESSION ON ANY  
11 STREET, ROAD, HIGHWAY, OR ALLEY.

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13 § 21-9-103. Carnivals and Circuses.

14 (a) The Department shall issue a permit for a traveling carnival, circus, or exhibition to  
15 be held or staged in the county as provided in this section.

16 (b) The Department may issue a permit to a volunteer fire company, bona fide fraternal,  
17 civic, war veterans, religious, or charitable organization, or any entity meeting the specifications  
18 of § 13-603(b) of the Criminal Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to sponsor  
19 circuses, carnivals, lawn fetes, and other types of outdoor entertainment if the organization:

20 (1) Complies WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, county AND  
21 STATE law and regulations, including the county building code and the animal control law; and

22 (2) Manages the carnivals, lawn fetes, circuses, and other forms of entertainment  
23 with its own members.

1 (c) An organization issued a permit under this section may lease Ferris wheels, merry-  
2 go-rounds, and other mechanical forms of rides.

3 (d) A circus may not be authorized at any one site for more than 7 consecutive days  
4 unless extended by the Director.

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6 § 21-9-104. Nonprofit Gatherings.

7 (a) (1) This section applies to special events and occasions that do not have  
8 regularity and permanence whether or not admission is charged or collected by the person, club,  
9 association, or corporation holding the event or occasion.

10 (2) This section does not apply to:

11 (i) A house of worship holding religious services;

12 (ii) A fraternal, political, or civic group holding regular meetings; or

13 (iii) Gatherings or meetings in private residences.

14 (b) A nonprofit person, club, association, or corporation shall receive a permit from the  
15 Director before the person, club, association or organization may hold a public entertainment,  
16 picnic, or gathering in the county.

17 (c) For each public gathering, an applicant for a permit shall submit to the Director an  
18 application on the form that the Director requires.

19 (d) [The] ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE,  
20 THE Director shall issue a permit:

21 (1) Without requiring a fee; and

22 (2) For a period of time to be specified in the permit.

23 [(e) (1) If the event is to be held in an enclosed placed, before the Director issues the

1 permit, the Director shall refer the event to the building engineer who shall perform a safety  
2 inspection of the premises.

3 (2) If the building engineer disapproves the premises for holding the event, the  
4 Director may not issue the permit.

5 (f) The Director immediately shall forward a copy of a permit issued under this section  
6 to the Chief of Police.

7 (g) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.]

8 § 21-9-105. [Penalty]PARADES.

9 [A person, firm, or corporation or officer of a corporation who violates any provisions of  
10 this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500  
11 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days or both.]

12 (A) (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, A PERSON  
13 SHALL RECEIVE A PARADE PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR BEFORE THE  
14 PERSON MAY ENGAGE IN, PARTICIPATE IN, AID, FORM, OR START A PARADE.

15 (2) A DETAIL PAY POLICY ADOPTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS  
16 TITLE SHALL NOT APPLY TO PARADE PERMITS ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.

17 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

18 (1) FUNERAL PROCESSIONS;

19 (2) STUDENTS GOING TO AND FROM SCHOOL CLASSES OR  
20 PARTICIPATING IN EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES IF THE CONDUCT IS UNDER THE  
21 IMMEDIATE DIRECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE PROPER SCHOOL  
22 AUTHORITIES; OR

23 (3) A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ITS



1 FUNCTIONS.

2 (C) A PERSON MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN A PARADE WITHOUT THE  
3 EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE PERMIT HOLDER IF THE PERMIT HOLDER  
4 REQUIRES PERSONS TO REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE  
5 THE DATE OF THE PARADE.

6 (D) (1) EXCEPT FOR A VENDOR LOCATED WITHIN AN ESTABLISHED  
7 BUILDING ON A PARADE ROUTE, A PERSON MAY NOT SELL FOOD OR  
8 MERCHANDISE OF ANY KIND WITHIN 100 FEET OF THE PARADE ROUTE ON  
9 PROPERTY CONTROLLED BY THE COUNTY WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION  
10 OF THE PERMIT HOLDER.

11 (2) THE PERMIT HOLDER MAY CHARGE A NOMINAL FEE FOR A  
12 VENDOR'S PARTICIPATION.

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14 § 21-9-106. EVENT APPLICATION.

15 (A) (1) AN APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT  
16 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE ON A FORM REQUIRED BY THE DIRECTOR.

17 (2) AN APPLICATION SHALL:

18 (I) INCLUDE THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER  
19 OF THE APPLICANT;

20 (II) BE ACCOMPANIED BY ANY APPLICABLE APPLICATION  
21 FEE;

22 (III) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS  
23 SECTION, BE FILED AT LEAST 60 CALENDAR DAYS, BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE

1 YEAR, BEFORE THE EVENT;

2 (IV) BE FILED FOR EACH EVENT;

3 (V) BE SIGNED UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION AND THAT:

4 1. IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE  
5 APPLICATION;

6 2. IS MADE EXPRESSLY UNDER THE PENALTIES OF  
7 MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AND

8 3. SUBJECTS THE INDIVIDUAL MAKING THE SIGNATURE  
9 TO THE PENALTIES OF MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT  
10 OFFICER TO THE SAME EXTENT AS AN OATH OR AFFIRMATION BEFORE AN  
11 INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS;

12 (VI) SHALL INCLUDE A SECURITY PLAN FOR APPROVAL BY  
13 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THAT INCLUDES:

14 1. DETAILS ABOUT SECURITY PERSONNEL TO BE  
15 SUPPLIED BY THE APPLICANT;

16 2. PARTICIPATION IN POLICE DEPARTMENT DETAIL PAY  
17 PROGRAM, IF REQUIRED;

18 (VII) SHALL INCLUDE A LIST OF ALL SIMILAR EVENTS HELD  
19 BY THE APPLICANT IN ANOTHER MARYLAND JURISDICTION DURING THE PRIOR  
20 TWELVE MONTHS;

21 (VIII) IN THE CASE OF A PARADE, THE APPLICANT SHALL:

22 1. STATE:

23 A. THE HIGHWAYS THROUGH WHICH AND THE

1 HOURS WITHIN WHICH THE PARADE IS TO PASS;

2 B. THE APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PERSONS,  
3 ANIMALS AND VEHICLES THAT WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE; AND

4 C. THE NUMBER OF VENDORS THAT THE  
5 APPLICANT ANTICIPATES WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE;  
6 AND

7 2. ATTACH TO THE APPLICATION A COPY OF THE  
8 PROPOSED ROUTE; AND

9 3. ANY OTHER INFORMATION AS THE COUNTY MAY  
10 REQUIRE IN ITS REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION.

11 (B) (1) APPLICATIONS FOR EVENTS SHALL BE CONSIDERED ON A FIRST-  
12 IN-TIME BASIS DEPENDING ON WHEN THE APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE  
13 IS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY.

14 (2) IF MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS FOR THE SAME DATE ARE  
15 RECEIVED, THE COUNTY MAY CONSIDER AVAILABLE RESOURCES WHEN  
16 DETERMINING WHETHER TO HOLD MULTIPLE EVENTS ON A GIVEN DAY.

17 (C) THE COUNTY MAY CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR AN EVENT PERMIT  
18 FILED AFTER THE DEADLINE ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBTITLE ONLY IF THE  
19 COUNTY ANTICIPATES THAT ADEQUATE COUNTY RESOURCES WILL EXIST TO  
20 SUPPORT THE EVENT AND THERE ARE EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES FOR NOT  
21 MEETING THE APPLICATION DEADLINE.

22 (D) ON RECEIPT, THE DIRECTOR SHALL FORWARD FOR REVIEW,  
23 INSPECTION IF APPLICABLE, COMMENT AND APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF

1 REQUIRED SECURITY PLAN, INCLUDING A RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE  
2 PERMIT, A COPY OF THE APPLICATION TO:

- 3 (1) THE POLICE DEPARTMENT;
- 4 (2) THE FIRE DEPARTMENT;
- 5 (3) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH;
- 6 (4) THE BUILDING ENGINEER; AND
- 7 (5) ANY OTHER OFFICE OR DEPARTMENT CONSIDERED NECESSARY  
8 BY THE DIRECTOR.

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10 § 21-9-107. PERMIT APPLICATION; ISSUANCE; GROUNDS FOR DENIAL.

11 (A) THE COUNTY SHALL GRANT OR DENY THE APPLICATION AT LEAST 14  
12 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE ON WHICH THE EVENT IS PROPOSED TO BE  
13 SCHEDULED.

14 (B) THE COUNTY SHALL ISSUE THE PERMIT UNLESS:

15 (1) THE APPLICANT HAS DAMAGED COUNTY PROPERTY AND HAS  
16 NOT PAID IN FULL FOR SUCH DAMAGE, OR HAS OTHER OUTSTANDING AND  
17 UNPAID DEBTS TO THE COUNTY;

18 (2) THE APPLICANT HAS MADE MATERIAL MISREPRESENTATIONS  
19 REGARDING THE NATURE OR SCOPE OF AN EVENT FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT  
20 HAD PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED A PERMIT OR HAS VIOLATED THE TERMS OF PRIOR  
21 PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT;

22 (3) THE APPLICANT HAS HELD AN EVENT IN ANOTHER MARYLAND  
23 JURISDICTION WITHIN THE PAST YEAR FOR WHICH MONEY IS OWED FOR

1 DAMAGE TO PUBLIC PROPERTY OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS, WHERE ISSUED  
2 PERMITS WERE VIOLATED, OR WHERE THE EVENT WAS CLOSED DOWN FOR  
3 SAFETY VIOLATIONS;

4 (4) COUNTY TRAFFIC FACILITIES ARE INADEQUATE TO  
5 ACCOMMODATE THE ANTICIPATED NUMBER OF SPECTATORS OR PARTICIPANTS  
6 ENTERING OR LEAVING THE EVENT;

7 (5) THE APPLICANT'S SECURITY PLAN IS NOT APPROVED BY THE  
8 POLICE DEPARTMENT;

9 (6) THE PREMISES ARE INADEQUATE BASED ON THE BALTIMORE  
10 COUNTY BUILDING CODE, THE BALTIMORE COUNTY FIRE PREVENTION CODE OR  
11 BOTH TO SUPPORT THE ANTICIPATED NUMBER OF SPECTATORS OR  
12 PARTICIPANTS;

13 (7) THERE ARE INADEQUATE TOILET FACILITIES LOCATED AT THE  
14 PREMISES, BASED ON THE PLUMBING AND GASFITTING CODE OF BALTIMORE  
15 COUNTY;

16 (8) THERE ARE REFRESHMENT FACILITIES THAT DO NOT MEET  
17 STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE BALTIMORE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT;

18 (9) THERE IS INSUFFICIENT INGRESS OR EGRESS FOR EMERGENCY  
19 SITUATIONS BASED ON THE BALTIMORE COUNTY BUILDING CODE AND THE  
20 BALTIMORE COUNTY FIRE PREVENTION CODE;

21 (10) THE PROCEDURE FOR LITTER CONTROL IS INADEQUATE WHEN  
22 CONSIDERING:

23 (I) THE NUMBER AND SIZE OF CONTAINERS PROPOSED FOR

1 THE EVENT;

2 (II) WHETHER THE CONTAINERS ARE PROPOSED TO BE  
3 CONVENIENTLY PLACED, EMPTIED PERIODICALLY WHEN FULL, AND REMOVED  
4 FROM THE SITE AT THE END OF THE EVENT;

5 (III) THE PROCESS FOR LITTER PICKUP FOR TRASH NOT  
6 PLACED IN CONTAINERS WITHIN THE PERIMETER OF THE EVENT; AND

7 (IV) WHETHER THE COLLECTION OF RECYCLABLES IS  
8 INADEQUATE;

9 (11) THE EVENT WILL REQUIRE COUNTY SERVICES THAT ARE NOT  
10 AVAILABLE;

11 (12) THE APPLICANT HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF OTHER  
12 REQUIRED PERMITS INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, STATE, FEDERAL, OR  
13 LIQUOR BOARD PERMITS;

14 (13) THE PERMIT APPLICATION, INCLUDING ANY REQUIRED  
15 ATTACHMENTS AND SUBMISSIONS, IS NOT FULLY COMPLETED AND EXECUTED;

16 (14) THE APPLICANT HAS NOT PAID APPLICABLE APPLICATION FEES;

17 (15) A FULLY EXECUTED PRIOR APPLICATION AND APPLICATION  
18 FEE FOR THE SAME DATE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY AND THE  
19 COUNTY HAS DETERMINED THAT RESOURCES ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO STAFF  
20 ALL EVENTS ON THAT DAY;

21 (16) THE USE OR ACTIVITY INTENDED BY THE APPLICANT IS  
22 PROHIBITED BY LAW, INCLUDING THE BALTIMORE COUNTY FIRE PREVENTION  
23 CODE;

1 (17) ANY APPLICABLE STATE LAW PROVISIONS HAVE NOT BEEN  
2 COMPLIED WITH, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, SECTION 21-1211 OF THE  
3 TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND;

4 (18) THE APPLICANT HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH PRIOR  
5 APPROVED APPLICATIONS; OR

6 (19) THE APPLICANT PROVIDED A FALSEHOOD OR  
7 MISREPRESENTATION IN THE APPLICATION.

8 (C) IN ADDITION TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS  
9 SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE A PARADE PERMIT WHEN, FROM A  
10 CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION, THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CHIEF  
11 OF POLICE, IF PROVIDED, AND FROM OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY  
12 OTHERWISE BE OBTAINED, THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT:

13 (1) THE CONDUCT OF THE PARADE WILL NOT SUBSTANTIALLY  
14 INTERRUPT THE SAFE AND ORDERLY MOVEMENT OF OTHER TRAFFIC  
15 CONTIGUOUS TO ITS ROUTE;

16 (2) THE CONDUCT OF THE PARADE WILL NOT REQUIRE THE  
17 DIVERSION OF SO GREAT A NUMBER OF POLICE OFFICERS OF THE COUNTY TO  
18 PROPERLY POLICE THE LINE OF MOVEMENT AND THE AREAS CONTIGUOUS TO  
19 LINE OF MOVEMENT AS TO PREVENT NORMAL POLICE PROTECTION TO THE  
20 COUNTY;

21 (3) THE CONDUCT OF THE PARADE WILL NOT REQUIRE THE  
22 DIVERSION OF SO GREAT A NUMBER OF AMBULANCES AS TO PREVENT NORMAL  
23 AMBULANCE SERVICE TO PORTIONS OF THE COUNTY OTHER THAN THAT TO BE

1 OCCUPIED BY THE PROPOSED LINE OF MOVEMENT AND AREAS CONTIGUOUS TO  
2 LINE OF MOVEMENT;

3 (4) THE CONCENTRATION OF PERSONS, ANIMALS, AND VEHICLES AT  
4 ASSEMBLY POINTS OF THE PARADE WILL NOT UNDULY INTERFERE WITH  
5 PROPER FIRE AND POLICE PROTECTION OF OR AMBULANCE SERVICE TO AREAS  
6 CONTIGUOUS TO THE ASSEMBLY POINTS;

7 (5) THE CONDUCT OF THE PARADE WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE  
8 MOVEMENT OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT EN ROUTE TO A FIRE;

9 (6) THE CONDUCT OF THE PARADE IS NOT REASONABLY LIKELY TO  
10 CAUSE INJURY TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY, TO PROVOKE DISORDERLY  
11 CONDUCT, OR INCITE A DISTURBANCE; AND

12 (7) THE PARADE IS SCHEDULED TO MOVE FROM ITS POINT OF  
13 ORIGIN TO ITS POINT OF TERMINATION QUICKLY AND WITHOUT  
14 UNREASONABLE DELAYS EN ROUTE.

15 (D) THE CHIEF OF POLICE SHALL DETERMINE THE ADEQUATE LEVEL OF  
16 STAFFING FOR THE EVENT.

17 (E) IF THE APPLICATIONS FOR A MULTIPLE DAY EVENT MEETS THE  
18 CRITERIA SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION, A SEPARATE PERMIT SHALL BE ISSUED  
19 FOR EACH DAY OF A MULTIPLE-DAY EVENT.

20 (F) AN ISSUED PERMIT BECOMES VOID IF AN EVENT IS CANCELLED.

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22 § 21-9-108. REQUIREMENTS OF PERMIT HOLDER.

23 (A) THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL:



1 (1) DURING THE EVENT, KEEP THE PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY  
2 CLEAN AND FREE FROM PAPER, DEBRIS, OR REFUSE;

3 (2) ON TERMINATION OF THE PERMIT BY LAPSE OF TIME OR  
4 OTHERWISE, REMOVE ALL MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT AND CLEAN THE  
5 PUBLIC STREET OR HIGHWAY; AND

6 (3) IF PUBLIC PROPERTY HAS BEEN DAMAGED, REIMBURSE THE  
7 COUNTY FOR COSTS TO RESTORE THE PROPERTY TO THE CONDITION IT WAS IN  
8 BEFORE THE EVENT.

9 (B) WHENEVER A PERMIT REQUIRES THE CLOSURE OF A PUBLIC STREET  
10 OR HIGHWAY, THE PERMIT HOLDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A CLEAR  
11 PATH OF NOT LESS THAN TEN FEET WIDE AT ALL TIMES DURING THE EVENT TO  
12 PROVIDE FOR THE PASSAGE OF EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

13 (C) THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE COUNTY IF  
14 ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE PERMIT APPLICATION IS REVISED OR  
15 CHANGED IN ANY MANNER.

16 (D) (1) THE PERMIT HOLDER SHALL STAFF THE EVENT WITH THE  
17 PERMIT HOLDER'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND VOLUNTEERS, WITH ANY COUNTY  
18 SERVICES BEING PROVIDED IN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY.

19 (2) THE PERMIT HOLDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SALARIES, EXPENSES,  
20 WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE, LIABILITY INSURANCE, AND TAXES DUE  
21 TO ANY EMPLOYEES OR OWED TO ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY ON THE  
22 PERMIT HOLDER'S BEHALF.

23 (E) A PERMIT HOLDER SHALL COMPLY WITH PLANS FOR THE EVENT THAT

1 HAVE BEEN MUTUALLY AGREED TO BETWEEN THE PERMIT HOLDER AND THE  
2 COUNTY.

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4 § 21-9-109. RIGHT TO INSPECT; CITATIONS.

5 THE COUNTY MAY INSPECT THE SPECIAL EVENT AND MAY ISSUE  
6 CITATIONS FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE PERMIT, OR ANY OTHER  
7 PROVISION OF LAW OR REGULATION.

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9 § 21-9-110. PERMIT DENIAL, CANCELLATION, MODIFICATION.

10 (A) THE COUNTY, INCLUDING THE DIRECTOR, THE CHIEF OF POLICE, THE  
11 FIRE CHIEF, THE HEALTH OFFICER OR THEIR DESIGNEES, MAY DENY, CANCEL BY  
12 VERBAL OR WRITTEN DIRECTION, OR MODIFY A PERMIT AT ANY TIME WHEN  
13 THE CANCELLATION, DENIAL, OR MODIFICATION IS REQUIRED:

14 (1) FOR ANY FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY PROVISION OF THIS  
15 SUBTITLE;

16 (2) TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF  
17 THE PUBLIC, SPECTATORS, OR PARTICIPANTS OF AN EVENT; OR

18 (3) BECAUSE THE APPLICANT FAILS TO COMPLY WITH ANY  
19 COUNTY, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAWS APPLICABLE TO THE EVENT FOR WHICH  
20 THE PERMIT IS SOUGHT.

21 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE USE OF  
22 PROPERTY BETWEEN AN APPLICANT AND ANOTHER PARTY, A PERMIT SHALL BE  
23 CANCELLED IF THE APPLICANT DOES NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO USE THE

1 PROPERTY UPON WHICH THE EVENT IS LOCATED.

2 (C) THE PERSON TAKING THE ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OR  
3 SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE THE APPLICANT WITH THE  
4 REASONS FOR THE DENIAL.

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6 § 21-19-111. PENALTY.

7 (A) A PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OR OFFICER OF A CORPORATION  
8 WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A  
9 MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING  
10 \$500 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 30 DAYS OR BOTH.

11 (B) THE COUNTY MAY INSTITUTE ANY ACTION AT LAW OR EQUITY,  
12 INCLUDING INJUNCTION OR MANDAMUS, TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS  
13 SUBTITLE.

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15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that Sections 21-14-101 through 21-  
16 14-107 of Title 14. Parades, Article 21. Permits, Licenses and Business Regulation, of the  
17 Baltimore County Code, 2015 are hereby repealed.

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19 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,  
20 that this Act shall take effect ~~45~~ 60 days from its enactment.



# LEGISLATION DETAIL

LEGISLATION \_\_\_\_\_

DISPOSITION \_\_\_\_\_

ENACTED \_\_\_\_\_

EFFECTIVE \_\_\_\_\_

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