



Legislation Text

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Amending Chapter 409 of the Legislative Code to create and define boundaries for an Entertainment District named Great Lawn Entertainment District.

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul City Council and Mayor Chris Coleman approved the Snelling-Midway Redevelopment Master Site Plan and Design Guidelines (RES PH 16-239) on August 19, 2016 that included condition #8, an open space plan; and

WHEREAS, Condition #8 specifies that an open space plan, including a preliminary design treatment for open space, shall be included in the redevelopment site master plan when an open space agreement is negotiated in conjunction with meeting the City's parkland dedication requirements and that the open space must be publicly accessible even if privately developed and maintained; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor also passed RES 17-1544 on November 15, 2017 to enter into a Parkland Agreement for Snelling/Midway with MUSC Holdings, LLC, and accepted privately-owned public space; and

WHEREAS, the Parkland Agreement states that the City and MUSC will share a "Common Vision" that the Park will be developed and maintained by MUSC as a greenspace open to the public as a component of the City's park system as well as for use and enjoyment by the public in connection with events and activities at the Stadium; and

WHEREAS, the Park is now referred to as the "Great Lawn," herein after; and

WHEREAS, Delaware North has applied for an extension of the liquor service area on the Great Lawn as well as the areas between and across Shields Avenue to allow patrons to consume alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, defining the Great Lawn and areas between and across Shields Avenue as an Entertainment District will allow for even greater neighborhood vibrancy and street level activity that supports local businesses and organizations; and

WHEREAS, establishing the Great Lawn Entertainment District is consistent with the common vision shared by the City and MUSC in the Parkland Agreement; now, therefore be it

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION 1

Saint Paul Legislative Code section 409.02 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 409.02. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

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Great Lawn Entertainment District means that portion of the City of Saint Paul lying within and bounded by the following streets: Starting at the Northwest corner of the Northwest Gate of Allianz Field, moving North across Shields Avenue, following the Western side of North Asbury Street across Spruce Tree Avenue to the northern most portion of the street. Following Spruce Tree Avenue East to the East side of Simpson Street, then South across Spruce Tree Avenue continuing along the eastern edge of Simpson Street until reaching the South side of Shields Avenue. From this corner, moving west across Simpson Street directly to the Northeast corner of the Allianz Field Northeast Gate and following the northern border of the stadium to the Northwest corner of the Northwest gate.

SECTION 2

Saint Paul Legislative Code Section 409.30 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 409.30. - District rules.

- (a) All licensees within the downtown entertainment district, the Great Lawn Entertainment District and the creative enterprise zone entertainment district must comply with all laws, rules, and regulations which govern their license type, including the provisions of this section, and all license conditions.
- (b) Patrons and guests of a licensee may exit the licensed premises with open containers of alcoholic beverages within the confines of the downtown entertainment district, the Great Lawn Entertainment District and the creative enterprise zone entertainment district only if the city has granted a block party permit pursuant to Legislative Code sections 366.03-366.07 and only within the block party permitted area. Licensee patrons and guests may not enter another licensed premise with open or closed containers of alcoholic beverages.
- (c) No licensee within the downtown entertainment district, the Great Lawn Entertainment District or the creative enterprise zone entertainment district shall allow beverages to be removed from the licensed premises in any bottles or glass containers.

SECTION 3

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days following its passage, approval and publication.