

ORDINANCE NO. 14873

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 8 - 2011

INTRODUCED BY

FEBRUARY 16, 2011

AN ORDINANCE

Amends Article 311, Special Events, of the Codified Ordinances giving the right of first refusal to the City for public safety services needed during events on City property.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That Article 311.095, Public Safety Services Right of First Refusal, be added as follows:

311.095 PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL

As a condition of any lease, license or permit for the use of City property for a large gathering that may require emergency medical stand-by services, Allentown Emergency Medical Services (EMS) shall have the right of first refusal to provide such services.

SECTION TWO: That Section 311.10, Special Services Fee, be amended as follows:

311.10 SPECIAL SERVICES FEE

A. Upon application to hold a special event, a request for public safety services shall be made at which time an estimate will be given as to the cost to provide such services. These estimates will be given by the Bureau providing the service to the Police Department who will then notify the applicant. A deposit for these services will be required prior to the event and services being provided. After the event is complete and a true cost of services has been calculated, the applicant will be notified of the remaining balance due. The request for emergency medical stand-by services shall be made directly with Allentown EMS and the reimbursement for services will be handled directly with that Bureau. The total amount charged will not exceed the cost of providing the public safety service. A fee established by the Department of Administration and Finance in conjunction with the Police Department and adopted by Administrative Regulation (AIM) shall be paid whenever special police or administrative services are provided by the City of Allentown Police Department or any other department. The fee shall be reasonable and shall not exceed the cost of providing the service. (13393 §1 4/18/96)

B. For purposes of this ordinance, "special police services" include but are not limited to patrol or security officers or equipment for special events.

C. For purposes of this ordinance, "special administrative services" include but are not limited to, providing barricades, traffic cones, signs, or clean-up for special events. (13352 §1 9/22/95)

SECTION THREE: That any organization in the process of planning an event to be held in 2011 upon City property prior to the effect date of this ordinance is required to adhere to the guidelines as stated in Section Two.

SECTION FOUR: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FIVE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
W. Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Julio A. Guridy	X	
Ray O'Connell	X	
Michael Schlossberg	X	
Peter G. Schweyer, Vice President	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	7	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on March 16th and signed by the Mayor on March 21, 2011.



CITY CLERK

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

This Bill is sponsored by both the Administration and City Council.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

This Ordinance will give the Right of First Refusal to the City's Emergency Medical Services when an event that may require these services is held on City owned property.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

When an organization contracts/leases with the City to use City owned land to hold their event, the organization will be required to ask Allentown EMS if they are able to provide the emergency medical services required during the event. If the City is unable to provide the required services, then the organization may seek other emergency medical providers.

- **Financial Impact – Please to include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

None. The requirement would be revenue neutral.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

N/A

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

It would be helpful if this Bill is approved by the end of February.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

This Bill is jointly sponsored and helps to insure the resident of the City receive the best possible care available while attending a function held on City property.