

## **ARTICLE IV. USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY**

### **Sec. 19-300. Purpose of regulations; applicability of article**

The Board of supervisors declares that these regulations, relating to the use of county-owned property by the general public and particularly by organized groups and organizations described in this section, are necessary for the preservation of life, limb and property, and the orderly use of these public facilities, and to preserve them for the benefit of the general public.

### **Sec. 19-310. Permit for use – Required; conditions imposed**

No person and no organized group or organization shall make use of any of the property described in section 19-300 for meetings, conferences, rallies or other similar gatherings or purposes, designed or likely to attract large numbers of people, without first having obtained a permit from the county, as provided in this article. Such permit must be obtained at least two weeks prior to the anticipated date of the event in question. Permits may be issued to authorize the holding of regularly scheduled meetings. Permits authorizing regularly scheduled meetings shall be valid until revoked. The county may impose reasonable conditions upon all such permits, including but not limited to the following:

- (a) Collection of applicable fees.
- (b) A deposit of cash or a bond from a recognized surety company to insure clean-up and restoration of the premises used, after use. The amount of such deposit or bond shall be determined with reference to the type of event and the number of persons anticipated.
- (c) Insurance protecting the county against liability for injury or death of persons and against liability for property damage in amounts determined appropriate by the County Risk Manager.
- (d) A cash bond or surety bond from a recognized surety company to compensate the county for any damage to county property, the amount of such deposit or bond to be determined with reference to the type of event and the number of persons anticipated.
- (e) A program for the policing of the event, at applicant's cost, including, in the case of political rallies, protection of the lives and limbs of prominent persons, and including also, where appropriate, vehicular and pedestrian traffic controls. Such program shall first be submitted to the sheriff of the county and to the chief of police of the city concerned, when the event is to take place in an incorporated city, for approval at least ten days prior to the first day of such event. This condition shall in no event be construed to require any law enforcement office concerned to undertake more than its normal duties in such cases.

(f) Control and regulation of all amplifying devices and other noise or music producing machinery.

(g) Furnishing, installation and removal of protective devices for county property, including trees, shrubbery and flowers.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to meetings of public agencies and officials including central committees, in the performance of the duties of their office or employment.

(Ord. No. 1711, §9)

**Sec. 19-320. Same – Issuance**

Except as otherwise provided in this article, all permits shall be issued and conditions imposed by the Department of General Services, which may consult with other appropriate county and city agencies to determine reasonable conditions. All permits shall be in writing and shall contain a statement of all applicable conditions.

(Ord. No. 1711, §9)

**Sec. 19-330. Same – Keeping permit on premises**

At all times during the course of the event permitted under this article, a responsible person shall be on the premises concerned, with the original permit in possession at such times. Upon request of any county official or peace officer, such permit shall be available for inspection.

(Ord. No. 1711, §9)

(Ord. No. 1335, §3; Ord. No. 1344, §2; Ord. No. 1411, §1; Ord. No. 1518, §1; Ord. No. 1648, §1)