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CITY OF SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

BILL NO. 2026-8

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilor Alma Castro

A BILL

AMENDING SECTION 23-6, SFCC 1987 TO REMOVE THE RESOLUTION REQUIREMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING SALES AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AT PUBLIC EVENTS ON CITY PROPERTY AND REQUIRING THAT GOVERNING BODY APPROVAL BE RECORDED IN REGULAR GOVERNING BODY MINUTES UPON THE CITY CLERK'S RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE:

Section 1. Section 23-6.2 of SFCC 1987 (being Ord. No. 2021-14, § 1, as amended) is amended to read:

23-6.2 – Permitted locations for the sale and consumption of alcohol on city property.

A. The sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages is permitted at the following locations on city property:

- (1) The Santa Fe Community Convention Center and adjacent outdoor spaces under the center's control;
- (2) That area of the Santa Fe Regional Airport main terminal building and adjacent areas operated as a restaurant;

- 1 (3) The Marty Sanchez links de Santa Fe (golf course);
- 2 (4) Buildings owned by another party located on land owned by the city;
- 3 (5) On land or buildings owned by the city, located within the Santa Fe Railyard, as
- 4 described in the Railyard Master Plan, for which the city has entered into a lease with
- 5 another party for six (6) months or more except for the Railyard Park, Plaza and Alameda
- 6 (as defined in the amended and restated Deed of Conservation Easement dated May 30,
- 7 2018) where alcohol is prohibited, unless specifically permitted under subsection 23-6.2
- 8 SFCC 1987;
- 9 (6) On land or buildings owned by the city for which the city has entered into a lease
- 10 with another party; and
- 11 (7) In or on railroad cars located on railroad tracks except as prohibited by state or
- 12 federal law; and
- 13 (8) During professional baseball games, the area of Fort Marcy ballpark designated
- 14 for concessions and seating;
- 15 (9) The governing body shall review the amendment to paragraph (6) above, removing
- 16 a six (6) month minimum lease duration, contained in Ordinance 2021-14, three (3) years
- 17 from the date of adoption.
- 18 B. The only alcohol sales and consumption permitted at Fort Marcy ballpark are beer
- 19 and wine.
- 20 C. Consistent with NMSA 1978, Section 60-6A-12, [F]the governing body may
- 21 approve by [~~resolution~~] motion, to be recorded in the minutes of a regular governing body
- 22 meeting, the sale and consumption of alcohol at all other locations on city property, except
- 23 within the plaza as defined by subsection 23-5.1(S). Such approval may be granted
- 24 following the city clerk's review of the applicant's relevant permits, licenses, and
- 25 insurance, and the city clerk's recommendation for approval. The [~~resolution~~] clerk's

1 written recommendation for approval shall specify[ing] the event, date, hours, location,
2 number of expected attendees, type of alcohol to be served, required permits, and
3 insurance. The governing body's approval shall [~~be adopted~~] occur at least thirty (30) days
4 in advance of the event. The [~~resolution~~] recommendation shall be limited to
5 authoriz[ation]e [~~for~~] a single event [~~-, unless otherwise stated in the resolution~~].

6 D. All other applicable approvals required by state or city laws and regulations shall
7 be obtained prior to the sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages on the property
8 described in this subsection 23-6.2.

9 [~~E. — As a response to the May 27, 2020, public health order issued by the New Mexico~~
10 ~~Department of Health allowing limited outdoor dining service for qualified restaurants, and~~
11 ~~to enhance physical distancing restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, sale and~~
12 ~~consumption of alcohol on any city sidewalk, street, right of way, or other specified~~
13 ~~property that has been designated and approved for temporary use by a current liquor~~
14 ~~licensee may occur pursuant to the following limitations:~~

15 1. — ~~A licensed establishment shall obtain and maintain a general liability policy in the~~
16 ~~amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and a liquor liability policy in the amount~~
17 ~~of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) and must name the city, officers, employees, and~~
18 ~~agents as additional insureds.~~

19 2. — ~~The licensed establishment must apply for and receive an obstruction permit from~~
20 ~~the city that includes the requirement to indemnify the city.~~

21 3. — ~~The licensed establishment must also obtain a temporary change/expansion of~~
22 ~~liquor license premises issued by the alcoholic beverage control division of the New~~
23 ~~Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department. Proof of the approved temporary~~
24 ~~change/expansion of liquor license premises must be produced upon request of police, fire,~~
25 ~~or other authorized city official.~~

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~~4. — The sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on any city property allowed under this subsection shall be subject to the regulations concerning alcoholic beverages contained in SFCC Section 4-2, 1987.~~

~~5. — Unless extended by ordinance or resolution, any license or permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall expire on October 31, 2021.]~~

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

MICHAEL GARCIA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

GERALYN CARDENAS, INTERIM CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Marcos Martinez

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MARCOS MARTÍNEZ, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY