

Proposed: 5/01/2023

ORDINANCE NO. 075-2023 (CRR), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

An Ordinance authorizing and approving the presentation of entertainment programs in Cain Park for the year 2023; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, this Council annually reviews its use and rentals of the theatres in Cain Park; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor recommends the use and rentals set forth herein.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The City of Cleveland Heights shall sponsor and present in Cain Park and other locations to be determined, through the spring and summer of 2023, a program of entertainment in general accordance with plans therefor previously adopted by the Mayor.

SECTION 2. Stage productions will be presented in Cain Park. Admission charges for these productions will not exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Rates will be gradated according to seat location, with the designations subject to approval by the Mayor. Groups of twenty (20) or more may purchase tickets at a discount rate subject to the approval of the Mayor.

Musical concerts will be presented at times scheduled by the Mayor. Such programs may or may not be co-produced with an outside agency as deemed fit by the Mayor. Special arrangements may be made for ticket prices to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), with the proceeds of the box office split per an agreement approved by the Director of Law to accommodate costs of the concert.

SECTION 3. One or more plays (musicals) may be presented at times scheduled and at the theaters designated by the Mayor. The City's share in the cost of such programs is hereby approved and such expenditure is authorized in a total amount not to exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) per production.

The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into any and all agreements necessary for the presentation of summer concert and other non-theatrical programs at Cain Park and this council approves all currently executed contracts. All agreements shall be in a form approved by the Director of Law.

To the extent possible, monies to pay for the aforesaid contracts shall be taken from the Cain Park Operating Fund and monies derived from Cain Park activities shall be placed in the Cain Park Operating Fund.

SECTION 4. (a) Such other programs and activities shall be presented as are approved by the Mayor. Fees may be established by the Mayor to defray the cost of these new programs. Special promotions which reduce or eliminate ticket prices in exchange for media time, print advertising or other publicity may be arranged as approved by the Mayor.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, when any class or activity is offered which requires the use of materials to be furnished to the participant, the Mayor is authorized to establish a fee based upon actual costs, which shall be paid by each person at the time of registering for such activity.

(c) Special benefit performances either at Cain Park or elsewhere may be presented for the purpose of offsetting programs deemed appropriate by the Mayor with ticket prices not to exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). These arrangements will be made as deemed appropriate by the Mayor.

SECTION 5. (a) In the event that it should become necessary, in the judgment of the Mayor, at any time to limit the number of persons in attendance at any concert, dance or other activity to which the public would otherwise be generally admitted, the Mayor is hereby authorized to establish and place in effect such regulations and restrictions as he may deem necessary for such activities to protect the safety and welfare of the public grounds, the community in general, and members of the public at large.

(b) Such regulations may include, but are not limited to, advance or on-the-spot limitation of admissions, including closing-off of admission, and may also include a requirement that admission be limited to persons who are bona fide residents of Cleveland Heights and are authorized holders of a proper Recreation I.D. Card issued by the City of Cleveland Heights, and such number of guests accompanied by such Cardholder as the Mayor shall establish.

(c) In the event that the Mayor shall determine, in his sole discretion, that the conduct of a given program, or a portion of the program, would endanger the safety and welfare of the public, then he shall have the authority to cancel any program and, at the earliest time possible, to give, by appropriate means, notice to persons wishing to participate in such activity of the fact that the program or activity has been canceled.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision, the Mayor is hereby vested with authority to transfer the conduct of any portion of the summer program for the year 2023 to another facility in order to ensure the safety and/or convenience of the general public. At such time, the Mayor shall, by appropriate means, advise persons wishing to participate in such activities of the change of location.

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SECTION 6. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to meet seasonal deadlines. Therefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of the Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor