135-O-19

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Portions of the City of Evanston Zoning Ordinance to Amend Permitted Uses within the U2 Zoning District

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: City Code Subsection 6-15-7-2, "Permitted Uses", of the Evanston City Code of 2012, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

6-15-7-2. – PERMITTED USES.

The following uses shall be permitted in the U2 district:

Business or vocational school.
Fieldhouse.
Indoor recreational facility (college and university).
Outdoor recreational facility (college and university).
Parking lot (college and university).
Playground.
Stadium.

The following uses shall be considered permitted uses when conducted in association with the above permitted uses:

- Intramural and intercollegiate sports and athletic events and practice therefor.
- Local, regional and State elementary and high school athletic events and practice therefor.
- Band playing and practice in connection with the above events.

- Commencement, convocation and graduation exercises

- University-sponsored lecture, speakers, musical performances and other cultural events held within an enclosed building provided that attendance is limited to ten thousand (10,000) or less.

- Luncheons and dinners and dining room facilities in a stadium provided that attendance is limited to the seating capacity of the facilities.

- Accessory uses to the above permitted uses, including administrative and faculty offices, classroom, auditoriums, athletic facilities and parking spaces.

- Off-street parking for hospital employees and for university students and employees.

Temporary event (provided they are of a community or cultural nature and further provided they meet the conditions listed below):

This Subsection provides standards to ensure that temporary uses shall not impose an undue adverse effect on neighboring streets or property.

Community and cultural events intended primarily for residents of the City and athletic events shall be permitted provided that the following conditions are met:

1) Sponsors of the temporary event shall obtain City Council approval, provide proof of event logistics approval by the City's Special Events Committee, and obtain a certificate of zoning compliance pursuant to Section 6-4-8-2 of this Title.

2) Sponsors of the temporary event shall provide written notice to residents within five hundred (500) feet of the event site at the same time that they submit an application for a Special Event Permit for the temporary event.

3) Attendance at such events is limited to seven thousand (7,000) persons for indoor events and three thousand (3,000) persons for outdoor events.

4) Free University parking is available and is provided in the U2 district to all persons attending events (as defined in this ordinance) until all car parking spaces are full. This parking shall be provided for no fewer than two thousand (2,000) passenger vehicles, one thousand three hundred (1,300) of which must be within the U2
zoning district.

5) Private security is provided for those parking areas utilized.

6) Adequate provision of traffic-control devices at no City expense, including personnel, shall be provided to ensure the free flow of traffic and the security and safety of said traffic flow.

7) Live animals used in conjunction with any event may only be stored within a completely enclosed building.

8) No more than six (6) single-day events and a seventh (7th) multi-day event (not to exceed seven (7) days in duration, and that would require approval from the City Council) shall be held in any calendar year.

9) Lighting associated with such events shall be directed away from adjacent residences.

10) Tractor trailers may not remain running while parked on the public street or in off-street parking areas.

11) No activities related to special events shall occur between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. from Sunday evening to Friday morning, and between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. from Friday evening through Sunday morning, including event setup and breakdown procedures.

12) Loitering and tailgating is prohibited before, during and after such events.

The provisions in this text amendment, approved by Ordinance 135-O-19, will expire on December 31, 2021. This text amendment shall not create a precedent for future uses in the U2 District.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: If any provision of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect
without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this ordinance is severable.

SECTION 4: Ordinance 135-O-19 shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval.

SECTION 5: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

Introduced: October 23, 2019
Adopted: November 11, 2019

Approved: December 11, 2019
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