ORDINANCE NO. 2020-11

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPROVE A NEW SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FROM MAIN STREET KENT KNOWN AS “KENT RAINBOW WEEKEND” TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 6TH AND 7TH, 2020, AND THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE WEST SIDE CROSSWALK AT THE INTERSECTION OF MAIN AND WATER STREETS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Kent Rainbow Weekend is an event to celebrate Kent’s LGBTQ+ community with activities and events throughout downtown; and

WHEREAS, the organizer would like to paint the crosswalk (with non-permanent paint) that will occupy the current west side crosswalk of the intersection at Main and Water Streets and would require a temporarily road closure; and

WHEREAS, Kent Rainbow Weekend will take place Friday and Saturday on March 6th and 7th at multiple locations downtown. The temporary closure of the west side crosswalk at the intersection of Main and Water Streets will be on Thursday, March 5, 2020 from 6 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. to paint the rainbow crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, the Kent City Council consents to authorizing the City Manager or his designee to sign the Special Event Application as long as he is comfortable and believes the safety and security of the City’s citizens will not be adversely affected; and

WHEREAS, the time is of the essence as the event is scheduled for March 6th and 7th, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, at least three-fourths (3/4) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Kent City Council authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute the Special Event Application from the Main Street Kent in substantial conformance with the Special Event Application attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, as long as the City Manager or his designee believes the safety and security of Kent’s citizens are adequately projected.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: February 19, 2020
Date

EFFECTIVE: February 19, 2020
Date

ATTEST: Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council
I, AMY WILKENS, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE No. __________, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON ________________, 20____.

(SEAL)

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AMY WILKENS
CLERK OF COUNCIL
To: Dave Ruller, City Manager

From: Harrison Wicks, Assistant to the City Manager

Date: January 29, 2020

RE: New Special Event Application – Kent Rainbow Weekend

The City Manager’s Office has received a special event application from Heather Malarcik at Main Street Kent for a new event known as Kent Rainbow Weekend to celebrate Kent’s LGBTQ+ community with activities and events throughout downtown.

A portion of this event requires council approval – specifically a painted crosswalk that will occupy the current west side crosswalk of the intersection downtown at Main and Water Streets. This will require a temporary road closure to apply non-permanent paint and for the paint to dry. Once dry the barricades will be removed and the entire intersection will be open to traffic.

Kent Rainbow Weekend will take place Friday and Saturday on March 6th and 7th at multiple locations downtown. Main Street Kent is requesting the temporary closure of the west side crosswalk at the intersection of Main and Water Streets on Thursday, March 5, 2020 from 6am-12:30pm for the installation of a painted rainbow crosswalk.

Similar to the painted crosswalks installed during the Kent Better Block event held on September 29, 2018, this painted crosswalk will include non-toxic children’s paint that will temporarily create a rainbow crosswalk using multiple colors and then wash away within 72 hours after exposure to the natural elements. Main Street Kent is proposing to use the same type of paint used during the Kent Better Block event.

During the temporary closure, westbound traffic on Main Street will be detoured North and South on Water Street and Eastbound traffic on Main Street will be detoured south on Franklin Avenue to Erie Street.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning the attached materials or if you need additional information.

Thank you.

cc: Amy Wilkens, Clerk of Council
APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENT
PARADES, FESTIVALS, CARNIBALS, PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, ETC.
City of Kent, 319 S. Water Street, Kent, OH 44240

NAME OF EVENT Kent Rainbow Weekend (Painted Crosswalk)

ORGANIZATION SPONSORING EVENT Main Street Kent

APPLICANT NAME Heather Malarick  PHONE 330-677-8000

ADDRESS 134 E. Main Street, Suite 201 B, Kent, OH 44240

NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS OF ALL PERSONS WHO ARE IN CHARGE AND/OR WILL BE IN A RESPONSIBLE POSITION DURING THE EVENT:

Harrison Wicks 330-677-7572

Lesley Sickle 330-677-8000

DATE OF EVENT Thursday, March 5th  NO. OF PARTICIPANTS 25

REQUESTED PERMIT TIME: Start Set up 6 AM Start Event 6:30 AM
End Event 12 PM End Cleanup 12:30 PM

IF PARADE: STARTING POINT N/A ENDING POINT N/A

USE OF CITY WATER NEEDED? No

USE OF CITY ELECTRIC NEEDED? No

In addition to the application please submit the following information:

• Attach map to application showing proposed streets to be blocked off for event, and route of parade or race. (May be hand drawn.)
• Proof of Insurance is required before permit can be issued.
• Please attach list of possible vendors/booths to be part of event (food, retail, etc.).

Please submit application for permit at least 30 days in advance, but no sooner than one year in advance. For additional requirements please review Chapter 316 of The Codified Ordinance of the City of Kent. Please be advised that the use of marking paint on City pavement, curbs, sidewalks or other property is prohibited except if purchased at cost from Service Department (330-678-8105).

By signing this application, I am certifying that I have received a copy of the rules and regulations of Chapter 316 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Kent, and I fully understand that should the permit be approved, it can be revoked if any of the provisions of this Chapter are violated.

Heather Malarick  Heather Malarick
Name of Applicant Signature of Applicant

Office Use: Do not write below this line. Sent to: Safety, Service, Fire, Police, and Health Departments for review and approval via __________ on ____________________.

MEMORANDUM AGREEMENT YES NO
APPLICATION APPROVED APPLICATION DISAPPROVED

PROOF OF INSURANCE REQUIRED BY ORDINANCE 316.04 HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED.

_________________________ Date 
Law Director

IF APPLICATION IS APPROVED, PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED BY THE CITY MANAGER.
January 23, 2020

Downtown Kent Business Owners:

Main Street Kent will host the first ever Rainbow Weekend in downtown Kent on Fri. and Sat., March 6 & 7, 2020. The committee would like to paint one of the crosswalks in a rainbow stripe at the intersection of Water St. and Main St., from Franklin Square Deli to the Hometown Bank Plaza, in the spirit of the event. This will be done with temporary paint, which will fade after a few days. The work will be done on Thurs., March 5, weather-permitting.

If approved by the affected businesses, the road would be closed from from 6am to 12pm to ensure enough time to paint and allow the paint to dry. If you approve of this temporary road closure, please sign below.

Thank you for your support!

Heather Malarcik
Executive Director
Main Street Kent

Hometown Bank

Franklin Square Deli

Zephyr Pub

The Loft