City Council – Action Request Form

Date: October 15, 2024

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager

Council Action Requested:

Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 of the City Code Relating to Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods

Strategic Objective: N/A

Strategic Plan Action Item: N/A

Key Work Item: N/A



Summary of Information:

In April 2023, the City, working with the Downtown Winston-Salem Partnership, opened Merschel Park, named after Wanda Merschel, who served for 16 years on the City Council. Since the park's opening, there have been discussions among downtown stakeholders about enhancing the programming and us of the park. One idea is to host more special events that would include the sale of alcoholic beverages.

The attached amendment to City Code Section 38-8 will allow the City to permit the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages during special events held at Merschel Park. This authorization would apply to special events only and not during regular park hours when there are no events taking place.

Committee Action:					
Committee	CD/H/GG- 10/14/2014	Action	Approval		
For	Unanimous	– Against			
Remarks:					