



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Lauren Thoden, City Secretary

Date: July 14, 2026

Reference: PUBLIC HEARING:
Consider approval of a Resolution granting a distance variance of two hundred and forty-one (241') feet to St. Ann's Catholic Parish for a temporary event, from the 300-foot prohibited requirement, for the on-premises sale of alcoholic beverages, with an address being 180 Samuel Boulevard; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

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Introduction:

St. Ann's Catholic Parish is holding their annual carnival on the dates and times listed below:

- Friday, September 11, 2026 – 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 12, 2026 – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
- Sunday September 13, 2026 – 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

City Council has granted St. Ann's request for a beer garden for the past four years. This year, St. Ann's is requesting the same variance for their upcoming carnival. The beer garden would allow the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at 180 Samuel Boulevard during the dates and times of the carnival as shown above.

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) requires non-profit entities to obtain a temporary event permit for the sale of alcoholic beverages at an event sponsored by the permit holder.

Along with obtaining the permit from TABC, the non-profit entity must have approval from local officials. The request before you tonight is one step in a process that St. Ann's must complete to receive their TABC permit.

Analysis:

The variance is requested for the location at 180 Samuel Boulevard. The property line of the church is within 300' feet of Coppell Early Care and Education, located at 103 Samuel Boulevard and New Tech High School, located at 185 W Parkway Boulevard.

Staff contacted Coppell Early Care and Education to confirm their hours of operation. The school closes on Fridays at 6:30 p.m., and the event begins at 5:00 p.m. Friday, so this will be the only time that the school and carnival will be in operation at the same time. The school is closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

New Tech High School releases at 4:15 p.m. for the regular school day and is not open for regular classes on Saturday or Sunday, though there may be weekend activities held at the campus.

If granted, the distance variance will begin at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, September 10, 2026, and end at 12:01 a.m., Monday, September 14, 2026.

Notice of Public Hearing was placed in the Irving Rambler on July 4th. As of the posting of this agenda, the City Secretary's Office has not received any feedback regarding the request or the Public Hearing.

Benefit to the Community:

The proceeds from St. Ann's Carnival assists the church in their efforts to build a sense of community.

Legal Review:

The Resolution was prepared by City Attorney Bob Hager.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval.