



Town of Simsbury

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SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Office of Planning & Community Development

TO: Simsbury Planning Commission

FROM: George K. McGregor, AICP, Planning Director

DATE: April 25, 2023

SUBJECT: **ZC 23-11 Zoning Text Amendment to Permit Special Events in Industrial Zones-REFERRAL**

Section 8-3a of the Connecticut General Statutes states that any municipality which has a separate Zoning Commission and Planning Commission, proposed zoning regulations shall be referred to the Planning Commission for a report and determination of conformance with the Plan of Conservation and Development.

T.J. Donohue, on behalf of property owner Steven Stang, has submitted a text amendment petition to permit special outdoor sponsored events as an accessory use in the I-1 Zoning District.

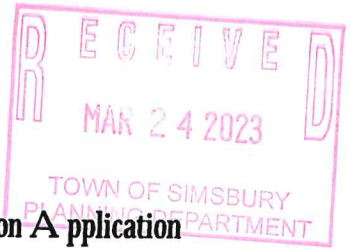
The draft amendment is attached.

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Town of Simsbury

Office of Community Planning and Development - Zoning Commission Application



DATE: _____ FEE: \$ 290.00 CK #: 2871 APP #: 23-11

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2 Tunxis Road, Simsbury (Text Amendment)

NAME OF OWNER: Steven Stang, GSHP, LLC

MAILING ADDRESS: 2 Tunxis Road, Simsbury, CT 06070

EMAIL ADDRESS: stevenstang@att.net TELEPHONE # _____

NAME OF AGENT: T.J. Donohue, Jr., Esq., Killian & Donohue, LLC

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ZONING DISTRICT: NA LOT AREA: NA SQ FT/ACRES _____

Does this site have wetlands? YES NO NA Have you applied for a wetlands permit? YES NO NA

REQUESTED ACTION (PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX):

- ZONE CHANGE:** The applicant hereby requests that said premises be changed from zone _____ to zone _____.
- TEXT AMENDMENT:** Please attach proposed changes, including Sections and purposes.
- SPECIAL EXCEPTION:** The applicant hereby requests a public hearing pursuant to Section _____.
- SITE PLAN APPROVAL:** The applicant hereby requests
 - PRELIMINARY
 - FINAL
 - SITE PLAN AMENDMENT pursuant to Section 11
- SIGN PERMIT**
- OTHER (PLEASE EXPLAIN):** _____

NOTE: Each application must fully comply with the requirements of the Zoning Regulations prior to receipt by the Commission. Each application for zone change and/or special exception shall include a list of names and addresses of abutting property owners and all property owners within 100 feet of the subject site. NA

A check payable to the Town of Simsbury must accompany this **original signed and dated** application. **Five (5) complete (folded) sets of plans, one (1) paper copy, and a digital copy of the completed application and correspondence** must also be included. If you have a PDF of your plans, we would appreciate a copy of that sent to jhollis@simsbury-ct.gov, as well.

Steven Stang
Signature of Owner
GSHP, LLC

Date

T. J. Donohue, Jr., Esq.
Signature of Agent
Killian & Donohue, LLC

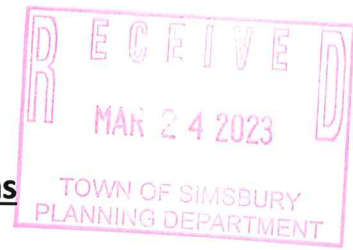
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Text Amendment to Allow Special Events in I1 Zone under conditions

Special Outdoor Sponsored Events - Definition: A Special Outdoor Sponsored Event is an accessory, event-based use on private property that extends beyond the normal uses and standards allowed within the zone that typically is outdoors in a temporary tent or structure that occurs within a period of one day but may reoccur daily for a period not longer than two weeks for each sponsored event; (2) are intended to or likely to attract crowds; and (3) are unlike the primary activities generally associated with the property where the special event is to be located. Gatherings may have activities both inside the structure and on the property such as, but not limited to entertainment, catering of food, mobile food/beverage vendors.

5.5 Permitted and Special Permit Uses

SP- Site Plan, SE Special Exception, NO- Not Allowed

Industrial Permitted Uses	I1	I2
Special Outdoor Sponsored Events	SP	NO

5.7 - Special Outdoor Sponsored Events

A. Purpose:

The purpose of this section is to provide flexibility to allow for special events as an accessory use on suitable parcels. No approval shall be granted that would be detrimental to public safety, create or increase traffic hazards, or does not comply with the standards set forth in this section.

B. General Requirements for Special Events:

1. **Parking:** The applicant shall demonstrate parking spaces are of sufficient number to accommodate the proposed use. No on street parking.

2. Noise: Amplified music is allowed Sunday through Thursday 9:00 am to 10:00 pm and Friday and Saturday 9:00 am to 11:00 pm. Noise shall not exceed 75 decibels at the property line.
3. Lighting: Lighting shall be contained to the property and shall not emit outside the property boundaries onto abutting properties.
4. Hours of Operation: the hours of operation for all activities shall not begin before 9:00 am nor finish after 10:00 pm Sunday through Thursday. Friday and Saturday hours of operation shall be 9:00 am to 11:00 pm. These times do not include event set up or clean up.
5. Temporary Structures: Temporary accessory structures, such as tents shall secure necessary permits, as to size, electrical capabilities and location and shall not remain assembled for more than a total of 6 months per calendar year.
6. Overnight Lodging: No overnight lodging is allowed.

C. Approval Process: A Locational site plan of the property shall be presented which complies with planning department standards and contains specific tent location sites or a general envelope within which a tent may be erected is required. All other applicable zoning, building, fire and State codes must be satisfied.

