

Date: March 25, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202601117  
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  
Subject: **SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION: Real Taco Rest**

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In accordance with Cincinnati Municipal Code, Chapter 765; Real Festivals LLC has submitted a Special Event Permit Application Form to the Chief of Police. The Special Event Permit Application has been reviewed by the following department(s): (Cincinnati Fire Department, Metro, Cincinnati Police Special Events Unit, Cincinnati Police District One, Traffic and Engineering Department, Traffic and Road Operations Department and The Health Department). There are no objections to issuing the Special Events Permit.

The particulars of the requested event are as indicated:

EVENT NAME/TITLE: Real Tacofest  
EVENT SPONSOR/PRODUCER: Real Festivals LLC  
CONTACT PERSON: Jamie Mandel  
LOCATION: 166 West Mehring Way (Smale Park)  
DATE(S) AND TIME(S): 05/16/26 1200 - 2200 Hours  
EVENT DESCRIPTION: A taco festival that aims to provide the local community with a fun, yet straightforward experience of sampling a myriad of local restaurants' unique taco and beverage offerings, hopefully finding a new favorite in town.  
ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE: 4000  
ALCOHOL SALES:  YES.  NO.  
TEMPORARY LIQUOR PERMIT HOLDER IS: To Be Determined

cc: Lieutenant Colonel Adam D. Hennie, Interim Police Chief