

## City of Ann Arbor

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## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Authorize Solicitor/Peddler and Sidewalk Occupancy Permit Limitations for the May 1, 2010 University of Michigan Commencement

Attached for your review and approval is a resolution authorizing limitations on solicitor/peddler permits and sidewalk occupancy permits during the University of Michigan Commencement on May 1, 2010. Approval of this resolution will make invalid any current peddler/solicitor and sidewalk occupancy permits for the Michigan Stadium area on that day and direct staff to not issue any new permits for this area.

President Barack Obama will deliver the commencement address at the Spring Commencement ceremony, which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 1, 2010 in Michigan Stadium. The City has been working with University staff to coordinate security and logistics for this event, including a traffic control plan.

The University has requested that the City prohibit sidewalk vendors in the vicinity of Michigan Stadium on May 1 to reduce congestion in and around the ceremony area. Chapter 47 (Streets) and Chapter 79 (Solicitors and Peddlers) allow Council to determine by resolution that on certain dates congestion in the City or a part of the City will be too great to permit peddling and soliciting and sidewalk occupancy.

Staff recommends that Council adopt this resolution for May 1, 2010.

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Whereas, The University of Michigan will hold its annual Spring Commencement at Michigan

Stadium on Saturday, May 1, 2010;

Whereas, The participation of the President of the United States in the Commencement ceremonies requires substantial additional security in and around Michigan Stadium, which will result in increased vehicular and pedestrian congestion in the area; and

Whereas, Under Chapter 47 (Streets) and Chapter 79 (Solicitors and Peddlers), City Council may determine by resolution that on certain dates congestion in the City or a part of the City will be too great to permit peddling/soliciting and sidewalk occupancy activities;

RESOLVED, That any existing peddler/solicitor permits or sidewalk occupancy permits shall not be valid on May 1, 2010 within the area surrounded by the following streets and including the public right -of-ways:

- S. State Street from E. Hoover Street to the Ann Arbor Railroad tracks
- Along the Ann Arbor Railroad tracks from S. State Street to the viaduct on W. Stadium Boulevard
- W. Stadium Boulevard from the viaduct to S. Main Street

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- S. Main Street from W. Stadium Boulevard to Hill Street
- Hill Street from S. Main Street to S. Division Street
- S. Division Street from Hill Street to E. Hoover Street
- E. Hoover Street from S. Division Street to S. State Street

Also prohibited are the public right-of-way areas on:

- S. Main Street from Scio Church Road to W. Stadium Boulevard
- W. Stadium Boulevard from S. Main Street to Prescott Avenue.

RESOLVED, That City staff shall not issue any new solicitor/peddler permits or sidewalk occupancy permits for the above-noted area on May 1, 2010; and

RESOLVED, That Council authorizes the City Administrator to take necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.