

SUMMARY REPORT TO MANAGER
for City Council Meeting of October 23, 2006

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO PLACE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

RESOLUTION SUMMARY: This resolution approves the request from the 1460th Transportation Company's Family Readiness Group to place temporary directional signs in the public right of way announcing their annual craft show, and authorizes the Administrative Staff to approve future requests if conducted in substantially the same manner.

ITEMS ATTACHED:

1. Letter of transmittal
2. Letter of request
3. Resolution

COUNCIL ACTION:

1. 3/5 vote required to approve resolution

Jack Duso
Assistant City Manager
October 18, 2006



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Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Midland
Michigan

Dear Councilmen:

Attached please find a request from the 1460th Transportation Company's Family Readiness Group seeking permission to place temporary directional signs in the public right of way effective immediately through Saturday, October 28, to announce their annual craft show. The Administrative Staff has reviewed the request and recommends approval subject to the following conditions:

- Clear vision requirements must be followed and the signs must not obstruct the vision of motorists. The signs will be confiscated if these requirements are violated. John Wegner of the Building Department, 837-3390, can assist with proper placement, if necessary.
- The signs must be removed no later than the end of the day on Saturday, October 28.
- The sign ordinance does not permit portable marquis signs.
- MDOT approval is required to place signs on the State trunk line (i.e. Eastman Ave.).

Attached for your consideration is a resolution which will grant approval of the request, with conditions. The resolution also grants authority to the Administrative Staff to approve future requests if conducted in substantially the same manner.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jack Duso
Assistant City Manager

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Michigan National Guard

Family Program

President: Kim Towne
(989) 529-2570

Midland Army National Guard

Secretary: Ashley Hunt
(989) 662-6145

Vice President: Lori Davis
(989) 836-2536

1460th TC Family Readiness Group
2300 Airport Rd, Midland, MI 48642
(989) 835-1521

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(989) 895-6112

Treasurer: Christy Collins
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FAC: April Clipper
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October 16, 2006

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City Manager's Office
333 W. Elsworth Street
Midland, MI 48640

City of Midland
City Manager's Office

Dear City Manager,

I am writing to request permission to place signs within the city limits for our annual fundraising event. Once a year the 1460th Transportation Company's Family Readiness Group holds an annual craft show (this is our 2nd year) in order to help raise funds that are used to support families of soldiers both deployed and at home. Our group is responsible for supporting military families both emotionally and financially in times of need. We are an official group sanctioned by the commander of the 1460th, Captain Neil Dietz.

Our event will be taking place on Saturday, October 28, 2006, and will be held at the Midland Armory on Airport Road. We will be showcasing almost 40 booths, many of them with local vendors. We allow handmade and commercial items and **all proceeds from space rental and donations go directly to support families of the 1460th.** This is the only fundraiser we do each year.

We would like to request permission to place signs at several intersections. The following is a list of our requested sites:

- * Eastman Ave & Airport Road
- * Eastman Ave & Wackerly St
- * E. Wheeler St & Jefferson Ave
- * N Saginaw Rd & Ashman St
- * Airport Road & Sturgeon Ave
- * Eastman Ave & E. Wheeler/N. Saginaw
- * E. Wheeler St & Swede Ave
- * Ashman St & Swede Ave

We would also like to request permission to place a portable Marquis at the corner of Eastman and Airport Road (at Bennigans) that would be visible to those traveling along Eastman and exiting from the highway. We would like to place these signs up beginning on Sunday, October 22, 2006.

I realize that this request is a bit late, but not being a resident of Midland myself, I had no idea that we needed a permit until this morning. After talking to the sign company and then to John Wagner at the Building Department, who informed me of the need for written consent, I am writing this letter to you.

You can contact me directly by phone or by email at (989) 529-2570 or at townek@msu.edu or in writing at Kimberly Towne, 4515 S. Graham Road, St. Charles, MI 48655.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kimberly A. Towne
President
1460th Trans Co.
Family Readiness Group



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BY COUNCILMAN

RESOLVED, that in accord with Section 22-2 of the Code of Ordinances, the request from the 1460th Transportation Company's Family Readiness Group seeking permission to place temporary directional signs in the public right of way effective immediately through Saturday, October 28, 2006, to announce their annual craft show, is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

- Clear vision requirements must be followed and the signs must not obstruct the vision of motorists. The signs will be confiscated if these requirements are violated. John Wegner of the Building Department, 837-3390, can assist with proper placement, if necessary.
- The signs must be removed no later than the end of the day on Saturday, October 28.
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;and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Administrative Staff is hereby authorized to approve future requests if conducted in substantially the same manner.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

I, Selina Tisdale, City Clerk, City of Midland, Counties of Bay and Midland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by a yea vote of all the Councilmen present at a regular meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 23, 2006.

Selina Tisdale, City Clerk

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