

**CITY OF NATIONAL CITY
 NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT
 APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY USE PERMIT
 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: Circus Vargas

EVENT: Circus Vargas

DATE OF EVENT: 02/20/2026 – 03/09/2026

APPROVALS:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS [x]
COMMUNITY SERVICES	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []
ENGINEERING	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []
FINANCE	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []
FIRE	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS [x]
POLICE	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []
PUBLIC WORKS	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []
RISK MANAGER	YES [x]	NO []	SEE CONDITIONS []

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning

1. All activities shall comply with the limitations in Table III of NCMC Title 12 (Noise).
2. Speakers and lights shall face away from residential properties.

Building

1. No new permanent electrical, mechanical, or plumbing work is permitted for this event. If there is new permanent work being proposed, please contact the Building Department to obtain proper permits.
2. The proposed generators must be properly grounded and located a minimum of 5 feet from any building or enclosure (i.e. tents) to allow for proper ventilation. Any power cords running from the generators or any electrical outlets must be properly secured and covered to avoid trip hazards.
3. It is the owner/operator's responsibility to adhere to accessibility requirements and maintain proper egress.
4. It is the owner/operator's responsibility to obtain all necessary approvals from the other City/County/State agencies.

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Neighborhood Services

Neighborhood Notifications – Events are required to notify residents and/or businesses of the surrounding impacted areas by the event. The notice shall include the name of the event, name and phone number of the company/organization producing the event, the dates and times of the event (including set-up and breakdown) and a detailed description of how the residents and/or businesses may be affected, such as by street closures, “No Parking” signs being posted, music at the event, etc.

Display of banners -- Banners are allowed on site for event but must be removed immediately thereafter event completion. If you wish to place banners in any location other than on-site, you must get approval from the property/business owner where you intend to display the banner.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

No comments received

ENGINEERING

No comments received

FINANCE

No comments received

FIRE (619) 336-4550

INSPECTION REQUIRED

Total fee amount for all Fire Department permits is, (\$865.00) dollars. Tents \$671, Places of Assembly \$194. Fees can only be waived by the City Council.

Stipulations required by the Fire Department for this event are as follows:

- 1) Access to Circus Vargas is to be maintained at all times.
- 2) Fire Department access into and through the booth areas is to be maintained at all times. Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 14 feet.
- 3) **Exit signs shall be provided at all required exits. Exit signs shall be green in color (National City Municipal Code) and shall be either self-illuminating or electrical, with a 90-minute backup power supply.**
- 4) Fire Hydrants shall not be blocked or obstructed.

- 5) Participants on foot are to move immediately to the sidewalk upon the approach of emergency vehicle(s).
- 6) Vehicles in the roadway are to move immediately to the right upon the approach of emergency vehicle(s).
- 7) If tents or canopies are used, tents having an area in excess of 200 square feet and or canopies in excess of 400 square feet or multiple tents and or canopies placed together equaling or greater than the above stated areas, are to be used; they shall be flame-retardant treated with an approved California State Fire Marshal seal attached. A ten-foot separation distance must be maintained between tents and canopies. A permit from the Fire Department must be obtained. **Cooking shall not be permitted under tents or canopies unless the tents or canopies meet "State Fire Marshal approval for cooking.** Fees can only be waived by the City Council.

Canopies:

0 – 400 sf -	\$0
401 – 500 sf -	\$353.00
501 – 600 sf -	\$393.00
601 – 700 sf -	\$512.00

Tents:

0 –200 sf -	\$353.00
201 – (+) sf -	\$671.00

- 8) Concession stands used for cooking must have at least 10 feet of clearance on two sides and cannot be within 10 feet of amusement rides or devices.
- 9) All cooking booths or areas to have one 2A:10BC. If grease or oil is used in cooking, a 40:BC or class "K" fire extinguisher will be required. All fire extinguishers are to have a current State Fire Marshal Tag attached.
- 10) Fire extinguishers to be mounted in a visible location between 3½'to 5' from the floor to the top of the extinguisher. The maximum travel distance from an extinguisher shall not be more than 75 feet. **All fire extinguisher to have a current State Fire Marshal Tag attached.**
- 11) Emergency generators and standby power systems shall be installed, tested, and maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 101, Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems.
- 12) A fire safety inspection is to be conducted by the Fire Department prior to operations of the carnival to include all rides, cooking areas, game booths, etc.

Required inspections taking place, after hours, holidays, and weekends will be assessed a minimum of one hundred and ninety-four dollars (\$194.00). Fee is to be paid to the Fire Department Administration offices under a separate permit. **The fee is to be paid prior to the event.**

- 13) No smoking signs to be posted.
- 14) Any electrical power used is to be properly grounded and approved. Extension cords shall be used as "Temporary Wiring" only.
- 15) Fees can only be waived by the City Council.
- 16) There shall be trained Crowd Managers or crowd manager/supervisors at a ratio of one crowd manager/supervisor for every 250 occupants, as approved in addition to the security. Please provide the current Crowd Manager certification to NCFD prior to the event.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The police department will conduct extra patrol during unobligated time.

RISK MANAGER (619) 336-4370

Risk Management has reviewed the above-captioned application for a Temporary Use Permit. As the event will be held solely on private property, no additional insurance is required for permit issuance.

It should be noted that the applicant properly executed the Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement when the Special Event Application was submitted.

PUBLIC WORKS (619)366-4580

No involvement