Some Possible Specific Criteria for Proposed Temporary Use Ordinance

The following must have a temporary use permit **if the event is open to the public:**

Temporary Uses	Allowable Zoning Districts	Sound Equipment Regulations	Daily Time Limits	Distance from Residence or Residential Property	Max # of Days	Times per year per property	months per use before review required	Parking
Carnival, Circus or Festival	Mixed use B and C	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	9AM until 11PM Fri: 9 AM until 12PM depend-ing on zoning	no structure or equipment within 1000 ft of residential property	14 days	2 times per year-will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	if a particular use continues for more than 6 months, it must get a regular permit.	Required to provide parking and guide traffic
	Industrial, Public Property	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	9AM until 11PM Fri: 9 AM until 12PM depend-ing on zoning	no structure or equipment within 1000 ft of residential property	72 hours	2 times per year-will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	if a particular use continues for more than 6 months, it must get a regular permit.	Required to provide parking and guide traffic

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Religious Tent Meeting	Mixed use B and C	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	9AM until 11PM Fri: 9 AM until 12PM depend-ing on zoning	no structure or equipment within 1000 ft of residential property	30 days	2 times per year-will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	If a particular use continues for more than 6 months, it must get a regular permit.	Required to provide parking and guide traffic
Non-profit Fund Raising Event	Urban Fringe, Rural, Rural Community, Mixed use A,B and C, Industrial	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	Only daytime hours after 9:00 AM in UF, R, and RC	no structure or equipment within 1000 ft of residential property	14 days	4 times per year will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	N/A	Required to provide parking and guide traffic
A private event such as a wedding, family reunion, or neighborhood gathering if more than 300 people are	Urban Fringe, Rural, Rural Community, Mixed use A,B and C, Industrial	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	9:00AM to 10 PM in UF, R, and RC	no structure or equipment within 500 ft of residential property (1000 ft if sound amplification equipment is	30 Days	2 times per year will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on	N/A	Required to provide parking and guide traffic

invited				used)		adjoining residential uses		
Outdoor Commercial Sales and Special Event Sales	Rural Community, Mixed use B and C, Industrial, Public Property, Commercial Property	No sound amplification equipment within 1000 ft of a residential property.	Only daytime hours after 9:00 AM in UF, R, and RC	no structure or equipment within 1000 ft of residential property	14 Days	4 times per year will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	If a particular use continues for more than 6 months, it must get a regular permit.	Required to provide parking and guide traffic
Any outdoor event with the potential for noise, vibration, smoke, or pollution impacts	Heavy industrial		Only daytime hours after 9:00 AM (Fri till 10PM)	no structure or equipment within 2000 ft of residential property	72 hrs.	2 times per year will not be permitted if the use will have negative impacts on adjoining residential uses	If a particular use continues for more than 6 months, it must get a regular permit.	Required to provide parking and guide traffic

- Leon County's present ordinance still has problems, and the additional new sections proposed still do not add the specific criteria needed to distinguish between varying intensities of use

- The previous ordinance specifically allowed for a carnival, circus, religious tent meeting, or tent theater, but the new ordinance additionally allows for a festival, concert, or outdoor event.

- The previous ordinance required anyone wishing to use a property for a temporary event to get a temporary use permit, but the new ordinance only requires a permit for an event with over 500 people (though the county administrator can require a permit for less people). I believe the number of people at an event requiring a permit should be an expected crowd of 200 people if it is a publicly advertised event.

- Neither the previous ordinance nor the present ordinance put ANY limits on the hours of operation, with or without Sound amplification equipment. □We need clear limits on hours of operation depending on the use and zoning location.

- The previous version put no limits on the number of permits that could be obtained each year for a particular property, but the new ordinance may only allow 4 permits per property per year (with the new ordinance you will only have to endure such a use for about 1/6th of a year). I believe that the number of possible permits should vary with the type of event, allowing benign events more often while allowing events likely to generate nuisance issues less often.

- The previous ordinance puts no limits on the number of times a specific type of use can occur on a particular property, but the new ordinance requires a use that continues for more than 6 months to get a regular permanent permit through the site and development plan process. However, if a property is used for different types of events, it can continue to be used for such events 4 time a year forever without the requirement of a regular permit.

- Neither the previous nor the new ordinance give any real protection to residential neighborhoods.

- The previous ordinance allows for temporary uses in any district except for Residential Preservation and Rural, but the new ordinance allows for these uses in Rural, also. (Interestingly, both the previous and new ordinances allow for these uses in the heavy industrial zoning district, a good location for some of these more intensive and noisy uses.)

- There are no standards for the types of uses and types of impacts that can be permitted. The ordinance is very broad and the potential for very unpleasant consequences to residential neighborhoods is very great.

- Standards should be developed that rank the possible impacts form light to intense, allowing only those with light impacts near residential neighborhoods. Those with higher impacts could be allowed in industrial zoning, on properties far away from neighborhoods, or just not be allowed.

- Also, any event open to the public with an expected attendance of 200 or more people should have to get a temporary permit because no one can ever know just how many people may attend any publicly advertised event, while "invitation only" events like family reunions or weddings with less than 500 people invited wouldn't need a temporary permit.