



PLANNING, LICENSES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Council Chambers A, Keene City Hall
January 12, 2022
6:00 PM

A. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Keene Young Professionals Network - Keene Food Festival - Request to Use of City Property
2. In Support of a Medicare for All Plan
Resolution R-2021-46

B. MORE TIME ITEMS

1. Terry Clark - Relating to Small Wireless Facility Deployments in Public Rights-of-Way

NON PUBLIC SESSION

ADJOURNMENT



CITY OF KEENE NEW HAMPSHIRE

ITEM #A.1.

Meeting Date: January 12, 2022
To: Planning, Licenses and Development Committee
From: Keene Young Professionals Network
Through: Patricia Little, City Clerk
Subject: **Keene Young Professionals Network - Keene Food Festival - Request to Use of City Property**

Recommendation:

Attachments:

1. Communication - Keene Food Festival

Background:

The KYPN is again seeking to host the Taste of Keene event on June 4 or June 5. They are seeking both a license to use City property and access to any surplus funds in the Community Event budget, which will be considered by the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

Keene Food Festival

Alana Fiero
KYPN President

Michael Remy
KYPN Events Chair

Amanda Smith
KYPN Partnership Chair

Mayor Hansel & the Keene City Council
3 Washington St
Keene, NH 03431
603-357-9804

Dear Mayor Hansel & the Keene City Council,

Keene Young Professionals Network is seeking to host the Taste of Keene event again this Spring to act as another 're-opening' of the City of Keene after what already feels like a long winter. While none of us have a crystal ball to know what June will look like, we'd like to be hopeful and prepared as we were last year.

To that end, we hope that the City Council will again be supportive of this event.

We are currently targeting June 4th or 5th with an understanding that we may have to adjust our plans based on the ever-evolving state of current events and would look to have a 'rain date' later in the year if the timing isn't right to hold large outdoor events like this in June.

As a learning from last year, we are partnering with ArtWalk to make sure we are aligned on a plan for downtown for the event.

In addition to permission to close Central Square, we are also requesting that the City review the events budget to determine if there are any unspent funds from other cancelled or scaled back events that could potentially be allocated to help offset the expenses that the City would traditionally bill to an organization for services. While we appreciate that this may not be the same level of support as last year we hope that some support could potentially be possible.

Similar to last year, the key points are:

- Drawing people back to our downtown businesses to kick off the warmer weather
- Opening Central Square to pedestrians only to allow a family-friendly draw to Downtown
- Local restaurants set up in the parking spaces around the square highlighting their options
- Cooking demonstrations and music throughout the day
- Beverage tasting tent located on nearby private property to highlight locally available beverages

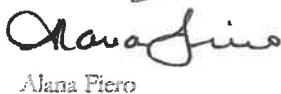
Keene Young Professionals Network is a program of the Hannah Grimes Center for Entrepreneurship, with the mission of connecting young professionals in the Monadnock region to their peers and their communities, through social, educational, and service opportunities.

We look forward to partnering with the City to make this a safe, successful, and fun event.

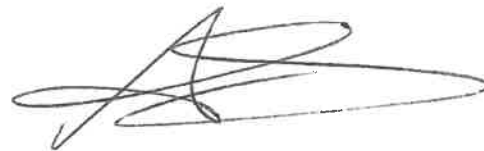
Sincerely,



Michael Remy



Alana Fiero



Amanda Smith





CITY OF KEENE NEW HAMPSHIRE

ITEM #A.2.

Meeting Date: January 12, 2022
To: Mayor and Keene City Council
From: Elizabeth Dragon, City Manager
Through:
Subject: In Support of a Medicare for All Plan
Resolution R-2021-46

Council Action:

In City Council November 18, 2021.
Referred to the Planning, Licenses and Development Committee.

Recommendation:

That Resolution R-2021-46, in Support of a Medicare for All Plan have a first reading in front of the City Council and that it be referred to the Planning, Licenses and Development Committee.

Attachments:

1. Resolution R-2021-46_referral

Background:

At the request of the City Council, the attached draft resolution In Support of Medicare for All is submitted for review and further consideration.



CITY OF KEENE

R-2021-46

2021

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and
In Support of a Medicare for All Plan

A RESOLUTION

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keene, as follows:

WHEREAS, the number of Americans without health insurance is nearly 30 million, while more than 40 million Americans remain underinsured, despite important gains made since the implementation of the Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, every person in the City of Keene deserves high quality health care; and

WHEREAS, the never-ending rising costs of health care add challenges to our already strapped municipal budget and our small businesses, which keep our communities thriving; and

WHEREAS, a Medicare for all plan would provide national health insurance for every person in the United States for all necessary medical care including prescription drugs; hospital, surgical and outpatient services; primary and preventive care; emergency services; reproductive care; dental and vision care; and long-term care; and

WHEREAS, a Medicare for all plan would provide coverage without copays, deductibles or other out-of-pocket costs, and would slash bureaucracy, protect the doctor-patient relationship and assure patients a free choice of doctors; and

WHEREAS, a Medicare for all plan would guarantee that all residents of the City of Keene will be fully covered for health care without copays, deductibles or other out-of-pocket costs, and would save millions in taxpayer dollars now spent on premiums that provide often inadequate health insurance coverage for government employees; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life for the residents of the City of Keene will vastly improve because they would be able to get the ongoing care they need, instead of waiting until they have a medical emergency that could upend their lives as well as further burden local resources.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Keene supports a Medicare for all plan and calls on our federal legislators to work towards a plan, which would assure appropriate and efficient health care for all residents of the United States.

In City Council November 18, 2021.
Referred to the Planning, Licenses
and Development Committee.

George S. Hansel, Mayor


City Clerk

PASSED