

Public Assembly Approval

Group Name: Public Square Conversations

Group Representative(s): James Ferguson

Contact Information: See Attached Application

Purpose for Public Assembly: To encourage civil discourse between opposing perspectives

Location of Public Assembly: ~~Southwest~~ ^{Northwest} Corner of Courthouse Square – See Exhibit A

Date & Time of Event(s): Every Sunday from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Max Number of Participants: Host with walk by participation

Duration of Approval: October 12, 2025 – April 12, 2026 from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Confirmed with Valparaiso Police Department: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Request

☒ Approved ☐ Denied

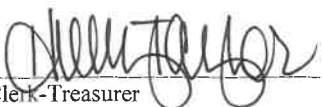
Commitments: Location will be the Southwest Corner of Courthouse Square (**Yellow Highlighted section on Exhibit A**); Participants will not go into street; Participants will not block pedestrian traffic; Participants will not create any unsafe conditions. Board of Works has the right to call the Group Representative before the Board if there are any issues that become problematic and impact the safety of the public and/or participants. Any signs, banners, or displays must be carried and not placed on the sidewalk or against any traffic light pole. Given the close proximity of the public assembly to a public street, no microphones other amplifying devices are allowed except the Group Representative may use a microphone for the limited purpose of directing participants. Participants will not encourage cars to honk their horns and will abide by the quiet zone policy.

Date: October 10, 2025

VALPARAISO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY


Member

Attest:


Clerk-Treasurer


Member


Member

Exhibit A

IN 130 LINCOLNWAY

Northwest Corner

WASHINGTON ST.

FRANKLIN ST.

INDIANA AVE.

Legend

-  City Sidewalk
-  Sidewalk Approved to Use

From: noreply@civicplus.com
Sent: Monday, October 6, 2025 12:13 PM
To: Samantha Camp
Subject: [*Suspicious Email*] Online Form Submittal: Application for Public Assembly

Application for Public Assembly

First Name	james
Last Name	ferguson
Group name, if applicable	Public Square Conversations
Applicant's Address	303 indiana ave
Address Line 2	apt. 1
City	valparaiso
State	IN
Zip	46383
Applicant's email address	james0ferguson0@gmail.com
Applicant's phone number	2193098944
Reason for Assembly	to encourage civil discourse between opposing perspectives.
Date of event(s)	10-12-2025, and further sundays during Fall.
Start time & end time of event(s)	2:00pm to 4:00pm
Expected number of attendees	one host with walk by participation
Expected props to be used during assembly	one small card table with sign reading "Christ is King / change my mind" and three chairs. this will not be a protest.
Date of Board of Works meeting in which you	10-11-2025

want your application to
be considered

Which section(s) of the Courthouse grounds are
you requesting for use? ~~South West~~ Corner
Northwest

Notices

This online application must be submitted at least seven days PRIOR to the date of the Board of Works meeting at which the request is to be considered. If it is not submitted at least seven days prior, your request will be considered at the NEXT scheduled meeting.

Submitting this online form does not constitute approval for use of the Courthouse sidewalks.

Your request for a certain section of the Courthouse sidewalks does not constitute approval for use of that section. The decision will be based on any safety concerns and/or other prior approved applications.

Acknowledgement I agree

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