



WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

OUTDOOR MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT, AMUSEMENTS, AND ASSEMBLIES PERMIT APPLICATION

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

This information is being provided to you for review prior to completing a permit application for an event wherein the primary purpose is the presentation of outdoor (live or recorded) musical entertainment. This permit, referred to as an event permit, may be approved if full compliance with the attached application and submittal requirements has been met. The applicant is responsible for reading, understanding, and complying with all requirements pertaining to outdoor music festivals pursuant to WCC 5.40 and RCW 70.108.

What is an Event Permit?

An event permit is required pursuant to WCC 5.40 whenever any person, persons, organization, landowner, or lessor allows, encourages, organizes, promotes, conducts, permits or causes to be advertised an entertainment, amusement, or assembly of persons, wherein one of the primary purposes will be the presentation of outdoor (live or recorded) musical entertainment, which said person, persons, or corporation, organization, landowner or lessor believes or has reason to believe will attract 1,000 or more persons, and where a charge or contribution is required for admission.

How do you get a permit?

The attached application and all supplemental checklists must be submitted with a permit application fee of \$2,500 to the Clerk of the Whatcom County Council. The Clerk will not accept an application that is not complete. A separate permit is required for each outdoor music festival. A permit may be granted for a period not to exceed sixteen (16) consecutive days and a festival may be operated during any or all of the days within such period.

How many days in advance should an application be submitted?

Pursuant to RCW 70.108.040, a completed event permit application, along with application fee and signed supplemental checklists, must be filed with the Clerk of the Whatcom County Council not less than ninety days prior to the first scheduled day of the event.

How long does it take to get a permit?

Within fifteen (15) days after the filing of a complete application, the Whatcom County Council shall either approve or deny the permit.

Are there any required site inspections?

All preparations required to be made for the site shall be completed thirty days prior to the first day scheduled for the festival. The promoter shall notify the issuing authority and schedule a site inspection of the festival site to determine if such preparations are in reasonably full compliance with plans submitted pursuant to RCW [70.108.040](#). If a material violation exists the issuing authority shall move to revoke the music festival permit in the manner provided by RCW [70.108.080](#).

What if a permit application is denied?

Any denial shall be set forth in writing and shall detail the grounds for denial. The applicant shall have fifteen (15) days from receipt of denial (or additional time if granted by the County Council) to correct any deficiencies. The County Council shall then have fifteen (15) days to respond to the corrections and either approve or deny the permit. If the application is again denied, the grounds for denial shall be detailed in writing. The applicant then has the right to seek judicial review of such denial by filing a petition in Superior Court pursuant to RCW 70.108.050.

Is a cash deposit or surety bond required?

After an application has been approved, the promoter shall make a deposit with the County a cash deposit or surety bond in the amount of \$5,000. The bond or deposit shall be used to pay any costs or charges incurred to regulate the health of the public and/or to clean up the festival grounds, or may be used for any extraordinary costs or charges incurred to regulate traffic or parking. The cash bond may also be used to save and protect the streets, pavements, bridges, road signs and to repair all other property in the county from any and all damage that may be caused by vehicles, employees, or participants in such outdoor musical assembly as per WCC 5.40.020. The cash deposit or surety bond shall be returned to the promoter when the County is satisfied that no claims for damage or loss will be made against said bond or deposit, or that the loss or damage claimed is less than the amount of the deposit, in which case the uncommitted balance shall be returned: PROVIDED, that the bond or cash deposit or the uncommitted portion thereof shall be returned no later than thirty (30) days after the last day of the festival.

Is the promoter required to carry liability insurance?

The promoter will be required to furnish evidence that he/she has in full force and effect a liability insurance policy in an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars bodily injury coverage per person covering any bodily injury negligently caused by an officer or employee of the festival while acting in the performance of his or her duties. The policy shall name the issuing authority of the permit as an additional insured.

In addition, the promoter shall be required to furnish evidence that he has in full force and effect a one hundred thousand dollar liability property damage insurance policy covering any property damaged due to negligent failure by any officer or employee of the festival to carry out duties imposed by this chapter. The policy shall have the issuing authority of the permit as an additional named insured.

Are there site locations that are prohibited from having music festivals?

No music festival shall be operated in a location which is closer than one thousand yards from any schoolhouse or church, or five hundred yards from any house, residence or other human habitation unless waived by occupants.

Is there an age limitation for patrons?

No person under the age of sixteen years shall be admitted to any outdoor music festival without the escort of his or her parents or legal guardian and proof of age shall be provided upon request.

What are the penalties to someone who fails to comply with the permit?

Pursuant to RCW 70.108.130, any person who willfully fails to comply with the rules, regulations, and conditions set forth in this chapter or who aids or abets such a violation or failure to comply is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. Violation of such a rule, regulation, or condition relating to traffic including parking, standing, stopping, and pedestrian offenses is a traffic infraction. Violations of such a rule, regulation, or condition equivalent to those provisions of Title [46](#) RCW set forth in RCW [46.63.020](#) is a misdemeanor.

Can security or any other person carry a firearm while on site?

It shall be unlawful for any person, except law enforcement officers, to carry, transport or convey, or to have in his possession or under his control any firearm while on the site of an outdoor music festival. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars and not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than ten days and not more than ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

During what hours can a music festival occur?

Pursuant to WCC 5.40.050, no outdoor musical assembly shall be conducted in the unincorporated areas of Whatcom County during the hours of one minute after 12 midnight and 9 a.m.; provided, that no license shall be issued for more than one 24-hour period ending at midnight. The participants shall be required to have cleared the licensed area and its immediate environs no later than 1 a.m. on the day following the licensed event.

Can law enforcement stop admission to the music festival?

If at any time during said event the size of the crowd exceeds by 20 percent the number of persons represented by the sponsors to be expected to be in attendance, the Whatcom County sheriff shall have the discretion to require the sponsor to limit further admissions.

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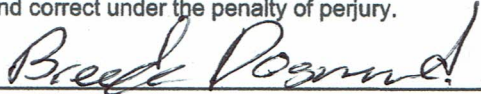
PERMIT #:

Permit Fee:
\$2,500.00

[Must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the event.]

APPLICATION DATE 02/02/2025	NAME OF ORGANIZATION Strings & Things Music Festival	CONTACT PERSON (Must be over 18 years old) Breeda Desmond		
ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION (street, city, state, zip code) 175 Donegal Drive, Point Roberts, WA. 98281		DAYTIME TELEPHONE 8583492913	EMAIL ADDRESS yobreeda@gmail.com	
EVENT NAME Strings & Things Music Festival	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS Approx 1000	REQUESTED DATES July 12th 2025	STARTING TIME 2pm	ENDING TIME 10pm
LOCATION: (Parcel number and street address where the event will be held.) Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simondson Drive, Point Roberts, 98281				# OF ACRES approx 1 acre
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT: (Attach your event operations and security plan. Include a detailed site plan of the facility which includes parking, ingress, egress, concessions, placement of port-a-potties, trash receptacles, stages, seating, sanitation, etc.): 				

The applicant(s) agrees, if this permit is granted, to observe all County Ordinances and applicable laws. Applicant(s) further agrees to hold harmless the County of Whatcom, its officers and employees from any incidents or accidents that may occur under this permit (delete the rest of this sentence). The applicant, by signing below, indemnifies and holds Whatcom County harmless from any claim, lawsuit, action for injuries, death, or any other cause of action for property damage or personal injury arising from the issuance of this Event Permit, including but not limited to claims by event staff, participants, or any civilian. By signing this application, the applicant(s) certifies that he/she has read and examined this application and that all statements contained therein are true and correct under the penalty of perjury.


(Signature of Applicant)

Breeda Desmond
(Print Name)


(Signature of Applicant)

Mike Bell
(Print Name)

Date: **03/30/2025**

Organization Name: **Strings & Things Music Festival**

To be valid, an application must be filed not less than **90 calendar days** prior to the first scheduled day of the festival. It must be submitted directly to the office of the Whatcom County Council and must include the following:

- 1) A complete application, 2) All information as required in the attached checklist including a copy of the events operations and security plan, and; 3) The appropriate application fee as defined in the Whatcom County Unified Fee Schedule and pursuant to RCW 70.108.040.

Please submit application to:

CHalka@co.whatcom.wa.us
Phone: (360) 778-5010

Whatcom County Council
311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105
Bellingham, WA 98225

Pursuant to RCW 70.108.80, the issuance of this permit is a measure to protect and preserve the public peace, health, safety, morals and welfare, and the right of the appropriate authority to revoke such permit is a consideration of its issuance.

DO NOT SIGN unless approval has been authorized by the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, the Whatcom County Health Department, and the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office. See attached.

Dated: _____

This signature represents authorization for an approved Whatcom County Event Permit

Cathy Halka

From: Breeda Desmond <yobbreeda@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 30, 2025 12:46 PM
To: Cathy Halka
Cc: Strings & Things Music Festival; Mike Bell Music
Subject: Outdoor Event Permit - Music Festival July 12th 2025
Attachments: Site Map Feb 2025 LATEST fire.png; Site Map Feb 2025 Zoomed Out.png; Tax Returns.pdf; Marina Permission.pdf; Permit Event Description.pdf; Statement of compliance with RCW 70.pdf; Permit Signature Page.pdf; Outdoor Event Permit Application RECENT Final 1.pdf; Sheriffs Department Approval Package.pdf; Health Department Approval.pdf; Fire Marshall Approval.pdf; Certificate of Insurance (liability).pdf

To whom it may concern,

We are applying for a permit for a Music Festival, stringsandthingsmusicfestival.com to be held in Point Roberts, Washington on July 12th 2025. Please find completed permit application attached and corresponding documents including signature pages which are separate attachments. I will send a check for \$2500 on Monday 03/31/2025 and will need a written receipt for accounting purposes.

Please contact me at 858 349 2913 with any questions.

Breeda Desmond

Here is the list of items you are requested in the Event Permit:

- Financial statement of the applicant. – **our personal tax returns are attached.**
- Names and addresses of all individuals or other entities having a ten percent or more proprietary interest in the festival.
 - Breeda Desmond & Mike Bell, Festival Creators & Organizers, 175 Donegal Drive, Point Roberts Washington, 98281.
 - Tamra Hansen, The Pier Restaurant, 713 Simundson Drive, Point Roberts, Washington, 98281. (handling Food & Beverage)
- The nature of the business/organization of the applicant. – LLC, two owners Mike Bell & Breeda Desmond.
- A legal description of the land to be occupied, the name and address of the owner thereof, together with a document showing the consent of said owner to the issuance of a permit, if the land is owned by a person other than the applicant. – Permission attached (please note they used their banquet room rental agreement but noted the area we are using for the festival)
 - Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simundson Drive, Point Roberts 98281 Owner/Manager Zihao Ding-zocding@gmail.com you can also verify with MBray@pointrobertsmarina.com, she is the operations manager
- The scheduled performances and program. 6 musical acts, each with a 45-minute set with 30 minutes break in between. See [Stringsandthingsmusicfestival.com](https://stringsandthingsmusicfestival.com).
 - Festival Duration: 2 - 10pm
 - Act 1: Quattlebaum – 2.30 - 3.15pm
 - Act 2: BorderGrass Alliance – 3.45 – 4.30 pm
 - Act 3: Gabe Wheaton – 5 - 5.45pm
 - Act 4: The Living Orchestra - 6.15 – 7.00 pm
 - Act 5: The Paperboys – 7.45 – 8.30 pm
 - Act 6: The WhiskeyDicks – 9 – 9.45 pm
- A statement that the applicant will abide by the provisions of RCW 70.108.040 – **see attached.**
- Signed and approved section of the event permit checklist completed by authorized personnel of the Whatcom County Health Department. – **see attached**

- Signed and approved section of the event permit checklist completed by authorized personnel of the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office. – **see attached.**
- Signed and approved section of the event permit checklist completed by authorized personnel of the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office.- **see attached.**
- A written confirmation from the department of natural resources, where applicable, and the chief of the Washington state patrol, through the director of fire protection, that all fire prevention requirements have been complied with. **Not applicable**
- A written statement of the applicant that all state and local law enforcement officers, fire control officers and other necessary governmental personnel shall have free access to the site of the outdoor music festival. **Please consider this the written statement that all fire control and law enforcement officers, as well as any other governmental personnel shall have free access to the site on the day of the festival, Please refer to our Sheriffs report attached and signed and approved section from fire marshal and sheriff's department. We already have a full fire department presence onsite.**
- If approved, the promoter shall supply Whatcom County with a cash deposit or surety bond. **I would like to be exempt from this considering this festival is taking place on private property, it is unclear to me what the deposit would be covering?**
- The promoter will be required to furnish evidence that he/she has in full force and effect a liability insurance policy pursuant to WCC 5.40.020 and RC – **please see attached**

Additional Attachments:

- Site Map x2 – Field and extended view to show parking etc.
- Permit Event Description: Logistics, Safety etc.
- Event Permit filled out by organizers
- Event Permit signature page.



Marina Club Rates – Capacity 100

Weekdays:
Minimum 4 hours - \$200
8 hours - \$400
Security deposit: \$200

Weekends: Friday, Saturday and Sunday
Minimum 4 hours - \$300
8 hours - \$600
Security deposit: \$300

Rates reflect hours as stated above. Extra hours beyond those stated will result in an additional charge at the rate of \$75 per hour. Additional hours must be approved in advance and in writing by **Point Roberts Marina Management**. **Breeda Desmond / Event to be held on the South End of Marina Property**

1. The **Renter** shall pay to the **Marina** the sum of **\$0.00** no later than **N/A**
2. The breakdown is as follows:
 - \$200 - Non-refundable deposit (if canceled prior to event date). If not canceled, your deposit will be applied to rental charges upon final settlement of accounts.
 - \$300 – Security/Damage deposit which will be returned to the **Renter** upon settlement, minus any charges for actual damages/cleaning fee done to the venue by the **Renter** or his/her associates.
3. The **Renter** shall have access to and use of the venue on **July 7 through to July 14, 2025**, for the purpose of hosting the Strings and Thins event. The **Marina** shall provide the **Renter** with all keys, access control codes, and other items necessary to give the **Renter** such access to the club room.
4. Within 5 days of the rental period's expiration, the **Renter** shall tender to the **Marina** any keys in his/her possession.
5. The **Renter** shall NOT attach anything to the walls, doors, ceiling, or bar area. Any damage from candles to the **Marina** property will be the **Renter's** responsibility.
6. **The Renter shall remove all personal property, trash, recycling, and any other items that were not present in the venue when the Renter took control of it. Cleaning costs above and beyond the security deposit amount shall be billed to the Renter at a rate of \$75 per hour.**
7. Upon the **Renter's** completion of his/her obligations of the rental agreement, the **Marina** shall return to the **Renter** the security deposit minus any amounts deemed necessary to repair damages inflicted upon the **Renter** and/or **Renter's** associates, guests, invitees, contractors, and all other persons whatsoever who entered the venue during the rental period, whether or not such person did so with and/or without the **Renter's** knowledge or consent.
8. The **Renter** will be liable for any physical damage, legal actions, and/or loss of reputation or business opportunities that the **Marina** may incur as a consequence of the actions of the **Renter** or any of the **Renter's** guests while the **Renter** is in control of the venue, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the **Marina** against any and all legal actions which may arise from **Renter's** use of the venue.

9. Any disputes arising under this contract shall be adjudicated in Whatcom County in the State of Washington.
10. To serve liquor at any function in the Marina Club, the Renter must obtain a banquet license from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. Liquor can not be served without a permit on-site. Holder of the license is solely responsible for their guest's alcohol consumption and is solely responsible for ensuring compliance with all state, county, and federal liquor laws, and ensuring any necessary permits, as determined by said laws, are properly obtained.
11. The **Renter** is solely responsible for any food served and must take all necessary steps to ensure all foods are stored, cooked, cooled, prepared, and served in a manner compliant with Whatcom County Health Department standards. The **Marina** in no way guarantees or warrants any refrigeration units, nor is the **Marina** in any way responsible for any food items or the suitability thereof, consumed during the event.
12. The **Marina** is not responsible for any articles that are left on the property after the **Renter's** event nor is the **Marina** accountable for the safety of any personal items of guests during the **Renter's** event at the **Marina Club**.
13. NO SMOKING ALLOWED inside the Marina Club. Smoking is allowed 25 feet from outside the entrance door only. Any smoking on-site will forfeit the Renter's entire security deposit.

Renter's Signature, date	Marina's Signature, date 
Printed Name	Printed Name: Zihao Ding
Address	Address: 713 Simundson Dr.
City, State, Zip Code	City, State, Zip Code: Point Roberts, WA 98281
Telephone	Telephone: 360-945-2255

Credit Card Number	Expiration 3 Digit Code
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Memorandum

To: Whatcom County Council

From: Charlene Ramont, Whatcom County Health and Community Services

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Re: Strings and Things Outdoor Event Permit Application

Whatcom County Health and Community Services staff have reviewed materials provided by the event applicant, Breedia Desmond. The applicant has addressed all applicable items in the Event Permit Checklist required for Health Department review. Please see this document with staff notes attached.

Please note that water supply, insect control measures and lighting are not required. The applicant does not plan to provide a source of running water for this one day event. Water will be provided by vendors. Insect control is not required by health codes. The event activities will end before dark.

The following items are not under the jurisdiction of the Health and Community Services Department:

- The applicant has outlined arrangements for Emergency Medical Services with the local fire district.
- A helipad has been identified to accommodate emergency air evacuation.
- Attendant physicians are not required by health codes. EMS/Paramedic services will be available by arrangement with the local fire district.
- Communication systems if needed for emergency will be coordinated by the presence of two Whatcom County Sheriff deputies.

Based on our review of the materials submitted, Whatcom County Health and Community Services finds that the applicant has met the requirements for Health approval of this event permit.



EVENT PERMIT CHECKLIST

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE WHATCOM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:


Pursuant to RCW 70.108.040, the application shall include written confirmation from the local health officer from the area where the outdoor music festival is to take place, showing that he or she has reviewed and approved plans for site and development in accordance with rules, regulations, and standards adopted by the Washington State Board of Health. Such rules and regulations shall include criteria as to the following, and any other matters deemed necessary by the State Board of Health to protect the public's health:

**Applicant
Submitted:**

**Staff
Approved:**

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|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Detailed site plan Provided by the applicant. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Site location and property owner approval Provided by the applicant including certificate of liability insurance. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Water supply - NA - Water will not be provided by the event organizers. Vendors will offer beverages to Attendees. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Sewage disposal Portable toilets to be provided and serviced by "The Potty Wagon" company. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Food preparation facilities A local restauranteur has applied for a permit to serve food at this event. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Toilet facilities Portable toilets to be provided by "The Potty Wagon" company. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Solid waste | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Insect and rodent control - NA - not required by health codes. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Shelter Sun shelter to be provided in two locations. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dust control Event to be held on grass field. Dust not anticipated. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Lighting - NA - Daytime event. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Emergency medical facilities A medical tent will be established and staffed. EMS staff from Whatcom County Fire District #5 will be present on site. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Emergency air evacuation A helipad is designated and will be kept clear during the event. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Attendant physicians Emergency medical care to be provided by Whatcom County Fire District #5 staff contracted to be on site. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Communication systems - In case of emergency, communications to be managed by the Whatcom County Sheriff's department staff contracted to be on site. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

By signing this portion of the application the Whatcom County Health Department acknowledges that the applicant has provided sufficient proof and resources to ensure the general health, welfare, and safety of the public has been met pursuant to Washington State citing criteria referenced in RCW 70.108.040. The event permit shall not be issued unless all sections of the permit have been signed by authorized staff of the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, the Whatcom County Health Department, and the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office. Access for emergency vehicles may be required at any time. The road(s) may be ordered cleared without notice by the Sheriff or Fire Marshal of Whatcom County.



(Authorizing Signature by the Whatcom County Health Department)

3-26-25

(Date)



**WHATCOM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE APPLICATION AND
AGREEMENT TO HIRE EXTRA-DUTY DEPUTIES**

APPLICATION

Applicant Name/Organization: Strings & Things Music Festival

Contact Name: Breeda Desmond

Billing Address: 175 Donegal Drive Point Roberts, Washington

98281

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone: 858 349 2913 Alternate Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: yobreeda@gmail.com

Event Date(s): July 12th 2025

Start Time: 2pm End Time: 10pm Est. length of event: 8-9 hours (including gates open time)

Type of Event: Music Festival

Event Address/Location: Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simundson Drive, PR, 98281

Estimated Attendance: 1200-1500

Person deputy(s) report to: 4 total deputies for the main event. 3 will be hired WCSO will provide the 4th deputy free of charge.

Number of deputies requested / needed: 2 for Festival and 1 for Friday 12th overnight to protect equipment
(Whatcom County Sheriff's Office has final determination for the number of deputies required.)

Serving alcohol: YES Y NO _____ If yes, applicable permit obtained? YES Y NO _____

Duties requested (e.g., security, traffic control, fixed post):
General security during the event.

Added by Sgt. Anders: Exact hours / time for the night before the festival TBD closer to the event.

EXTRA-DUTY ASSIGNMENT POLICIES

1. Applications and Agreements to Hire Extra-Duty Deputies must be completed, signed, and submitted to the address below at least five (5) business days prior to the event.

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office
Attention: Joe Anders, Administrative Sergeant
311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225

Sgt. Anders may also be contacted at 360-778-6730 or janders@co.whatcom.wa.us

2. No extra duty assignment will be scheduled without an Agreement to Hire Extra-Duty Deputies approved by the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office.
3. Deputies receive their authority and direction from the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office; deputies do not operate under the direction of the party requesting extra duty services.
4. Deputies may perform law enforcement functions only.
5. Only County owned vehicles and assets may be used by deputies working extra-duty details.
6. For officer and public safety, a minimum number of deputies may be required for an event. The Sheriff's Office makes final determination as to the number of deputies required for an event if the application is accepted. This term is not negotiable.
7. Deputies must be hired for a minimum of four (4) hours for extra-duty assignments.
8. Sheriff's Office staff will deal with one person from the requesting party as primary contact. One alternate may be selected.
9. All schedule changes must be communicated to the assigned Sheriff's Office representative.
10. The Sheriff's Office requires forty-eight (48) hours written notice to cancel an extra-duty assignment. If the required notice is not given, the requesting party will be billed and responsible for paying the Sheriff's Office for the scheduled work.
11. The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office may, at its discretion, cancel any or all extra-duty jobs due to Sheriff's Office conflicts.
12. Agreements to hire extra-duty deputies will NOT be accepted for some types of service, including but not limited to: direct sale/distribution of alcoholic beverages, bail bond recovery, investigative work for insurance companies, private investigations, private guard service (including bodyguard), collection agencies, attorneys conducting any type of investigative services, jobs involving civil matters such as labor disputes, landlord/tenant disputes, jobs outside Whatcom County.



AGREEMENT TO HIRE EXTRA-DUTY DEPUTIES

By signing below, the Requesting Party:

- Assures accuracy of information provided on the Application
- Acknowledges receipt and agrees to terms of Extra-Duty Assignment Policies
- Agrees to the terms of the Agreement to Hire Extra-Duty Deputies
- Guarantees full payment will be made within 30 days of being invoiced by the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies receive their authority and direction from the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office; they do not operate under the direction of the party requesting services. Deputies work to provide extra law enforcement services at requested events to enhance safety and response capabilities.

Deputies may perform law enforcement functions only, including, but not limited to: enforcing laws and ordinances; patrol functions; responding to calls for service; providing information and assistance; making property checks; reporting and/or investigating suspicious, unusual or hazardous conditions; interviewing and taking statements from victims, suspects and witnesses; preparing reports; searching, transporting and booking prisoners.

No extra duty detail will be scheduled until the Application has been accepted and the Agreement approved by the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office requires forty-eight (48) hours advanced written notice to cancel this Agreement; otherwise, the requesting party will be billed and responsible for paying the Sheriff's Office for the scheduled work.

Services will be billed by the Sheriff's Office in accordance with the Whatcom County Unified Fee Schedule (UFS) for Reimbursable Overtime in effect on the date(s) that services are provided (4-hour minimum). The Reimbursable Overtime rate for 2025 is currently \$99.00 per hour and is subject to change during the year. A \$30 fee will be charged for all returned checks.

The Sheriff's Office makes no guarantee that a deputy can be provided to work as requested. The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office may, at its discretion, cancel any or all extra-duty assignments at any time due to departmental conflicts or needs.

Breeda Desmond (Strings & Things)

Requesting Party Name (Print)

Breeda Desmond

Requesting Party Signature

Date

[Signature] 1A8
Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Approval

LT. JASON E. KARB

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MEMORANDUM

To: Event Organizer Breeda Desmond

From: Sergeant Joe Anders, Whatcom County Sheriff's Office

Date: February 24, 2025

Subject: Law Enforcement Review & Sign-Off – Strings & Things Music Festival (July 12, 2025)



Review of Event Permit Requirements

The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office has reviewed the Strings & Things Music Festival permit application, event security plan, and associated documents, including the 2025 Agreement to Hire Extra-Duty Deputies. Based on the information provided and the security measures in place, all law enforcement-related requirements outlined on Page 6 of the Event Permit Checklist have been met or are in progress.

Below is the final assessment:

Law Enforcement Checklist Compliance

1. Detailed Site Plan – ☒ Met

- The site plan includes clearly defined ingress/egress routes, emergency access points, security checkpoints, and designated parking areas.
- The plan ensures sufficient roadways for emergency vehicles and entry/exit points for crowd control.

2. Law Enforcement Staffing – ☒ Met

- Four (4) deputies will be assigned to the main event on July 12, 2025.
- One (1) additional deputy will be stationed overnight on July 11, 2025, for site security.
- This staffing level meets and/or exceeds requirements for law enforcement presence at the event site.

3. Traffic Control & Crowd Protection – ☒ Met

- The event plan confirms contracted traffic control and crowd protection policing.
- The CERT team will oversee parking and traffic management.
- Volunteers will be responsible for monitoring entrances, and deputies will be responsible for patrolling the grounds and handling potential disturbances.

4. Security Personnel Requirement – ☒ Met

- One (1) security personnel per 200 expected attendees is accounted for.
- With an estimated 1,200–1,500 attendees, the event requires 6–8 dedicated security personnel.
- Security personnel will include a mix of trained volunteers, CERT team members, and event staff.
- Sheila Monty (Gate Captain) will oversee volunteer security personnel, while Tamra Hansen from the Pier Restaurant may provide staff for ID checks.
- Law enforcement will be present to supplement event security as needed.

5. Roster of Security Personnel – ☐ Pending Finalization

- At least 20% of security personnel will be commissioned officers or deputy sheriffs, ensuring compliance with the regulation.
- As of February 24, 2025, event organizer Breeda Desmond is still in the process of finalizing the full roster of volunteers.
- The Gate Captain will be Sheila Monty, and Tamra Hansen from the Pier Restaurant may provide personnel for the ID check. If necessary, Breeda has offered to serve as the responsible party for ID checks.
- The finalized list of traffic and security personnel will be provided prior to the event.

6. Emergency Access & Parking – ☒ Met

- The site plan confirms emergency vehicle ingress/egress routes are unobstructed.
 - A designated helicopter landing zone has been established.
 - Fire and EMS will be staged on-site with fire and brush trucks.
 - VIP, general admission, and accessible parking zones are designated and marked.
 - Pier Restaurant and Marina parking lots are reserved for attendees.
 - CERT personnel will direct traffic and ensure emergency access remains open.
 - Parking areas appear to accommodate one vehicle per four attendees, satisfying event requirements.
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Final Authorization & Approval

The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office finds that the Strings & Things Music Festival (July 12, 2025) has met all law enforcement requirements under the Whatcom County Outdoor Event Permit Checklist, with the exception of finalizing the full security volunteer roster, which will be provided prior to the event.

☒ This memorandum serves as the official sign-off from the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, pending receipt of the finalized security/volunteer roster.

If the event security plan is modified, the organizers must notify the Sheriff's Office immediately to ensure continued compliance with public safety standards.

Sergeant Joe Anders

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office

Email: janders@co.whatcom.wa.us

Phone: 360-778-6730

Signed:  2A155 Date: 2/24/2025

Lieutenant Jason Karb

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office

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Phone: 360-676-6600

Signed:  1A8 Date: 2-24-2025

Chief Deputy Jason Gum

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office

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Phone: 360-676-6600

Signed: _____ Date: _____

EVENT PERMIT CHECKLIST

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE WHATCOM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

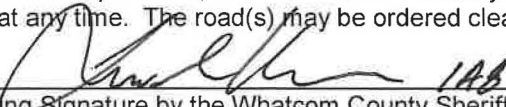
Pursuant to RCW 70.108.040, the application shall include written confirmation from the appropriate law enforcement agency from the area where the outdoor music festival is to take place, showing that traffic control and crowd protection policing have been contracted for or otherwise provided by the applicant meeting the following conditions:

Applicant Submitted:

Staff Approved:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Detailed site plan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | During the hours that the festival site shall be open to the public there shall be at least one regularly commissioned police officer employed by the jurisdiction wherein the festival site is located for every one thousand persons in attendance and said officer shall be on duty within the confines of the actual outdoor music festival site. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | A written confirmation from the appropriate law enforcement agency from the area where the outdoor music festival is to take place, showing that traffic control and crowd protection policing have been contracted for or otherwise provided by the applicant meeting the following conditions: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | One person for each two hundred persons reasonably expected to be in attendance at any time during the event for purposes of traffic and crowd control. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The names and addresses of all traffic and crowd control personnel shall be provided to the appropriate law enforcement authority: PROVIDED, That not less than twenty percent of the traffic and crowd control personnel shall be commissioned police officers or deputy sheriffs: PROVIDED FURTHER, That on and after February 25, 1972 any commissioned police officer or deputy sheriff who is employed and compensated by the promoter of an outdoor music festival shall not be eligible and shall not receive any benefits whatsoever from any public pension or disability plan of which he or she is a member for the time he is so employed or for any injuries received during the course of such employment. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | NOTED: FINAL LIST TO BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO EVENT - J. ANDERS
A written confirmation from the appropriate law enforcement authority that sufficient access roads are available for ingress and egress to the parking areas of the outdoor music festival site and that parking areas are available on the actual site of the festival or immediately adjacent thereto which are capable of accommodating one auto for every four persons in estimated attendance at the outdoor music festival site. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

By signing this portion of the application the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office acknowledges that the applicant has provided sufficient proof and resources to ensure the general health, welfare, and safety of the public has been met pursuant to Washington State citing criteria referenced in RCW 70.108.040. The event permit shall not be issued unless all sections of the permit have been signed by authorized staff of the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office, the Whatcom County Health Department, and the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office. Access for emergency vehicles may be required at any time. The road(s) may be ordered cleared without notice by the Sheriff or Fire Marshal of Whatcom County.


(Authorizing Signature by the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office)

8-24-2025
(Date)

LT. JASON E. KARB

EVENT REVIEW MEMORANDUM

To: Lieutenant Jason Karb

From: Sergeant Joe Anders

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Subject: Event Review – Strings & Things Music Festival (July 12, 2025)



Event Overview:

The Strings & Things Music Festival is set to take place on July 12, 2025, at Point Roberts Marina, expecting 1,200–1,500 people to attend. This memorandum provides an overview of the event, including security, emergency response, logistics, and recommendations to ensure a safe and successful experience.

Law Enforcement Recommendation:

Due to Point Roberts's unique location, which requires traveling through Canada and crossing two international borders, response times for additional law enforcement support will be significantly delayed. To mitigate this risk and comply with standard staffing guidelines for events where alcohol is served, the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office recommends increasing law enforcement staffing to at least 4 deputies for the main event.¹ If ticket sales indicate an attendance of more than 1,500 people, the staffing level of deputies will need to be reevaluated.

Details:

- **Event Name:** Strings & Things Music Festival
- **Date:** Saturday, July 12, 2025
- **Time:** 2:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- **Location:** Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simundson Drive, Point Roberts, WA
- **Expected Attendance:** 1,200–1,500
- **Primary Contact:** Breeda Desmond
- **Event Theme:** Live string music performances (classical, folk, Celtic genres)
- **Alcohol Served:** Yes (designated 21+ area)
- **Ticketed Event:** Yes (wristbands provided, online & physical ticket sales)

¹ source: National Incident Management System & Event Safety Alliance

Public Safety & Security:**Law Enforcement Staffing (as currently requested):**

- **2 Whatcom County Sheriff's Deputies** (main event general security)
- **1 Additional Deputy** (overnight security on July 11th) – **This is sufficient**

Additional Personnel:

- **20+ Volunteers:** Checking tickets, bag checks, and monitoring event grounds
- **CERT Team:** Managing parking and assisting with crowd control
- **Recommended:** Increase law enforcement staffing to at least 4 deputies during the main event for proper coverage.
 - Standard staffing guidelines suggest **1 deputy per 250–500 attendees** for events where alcohol is served (source: National Incident Management System & Event Safety Alliance).
 - For 1,200–1,500 attendees with alcohol being served and the unique location of the event, at least **4 deputies** are recommended.

Emergency Response:

- **Medical Tent On-Site** (Staffed by EMTs, paramedics, and CERT personnel)
- **Fire Truck & Brush Truck On-Site**
- **Emergency Helicopter Landing Zone** designated at marina parking lot
- **Ingress/Egress Routes Marked for Emergency Vehicles**

Site Layout & Logistics:

- **VIP Parking:** Designated near the marina entrance
- **General Parking:** Marina lots, upper parking areas, and Simundson Drive
- **Accessible Parking:** Reserved near the entrance
- **Restrooms:** 15+ portable toilets (vendor: The Potty Wagon)
- **Waste Management:** Trash & recycling bins placed throughout the venue
- **Security Checkpoints:** Entry gate with bag checks and controlled access
- **Food & Beverage:** Managed by The Pier Restaurant
- **Shade & Cooling Areas:** VIP tent, 2 general shade tents, fire tents

Traffic & Parking Management:

- **CERT Team will direct vehicles** to designated parking areas
 - **Multiple parking zones assigned**
 - **Ingress/Egress routes need to remain open** for emergency vehicles
 - **Recommendation:** Ensure adequate volunteers for traffic flow monitoring
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Crowd & Event Safety Considerations:

- **Exit Plan:** Emergency exits should be clearly marked and communicated
 - **Noise Control:** The event appears to comply with Whatcom County noise ordinances
 - **Fire Code Compliance:** All tents, food vendors, and safety measures appear to meet Fire Marshal standards
 - **Alcohol Management:** The 21+ area is separated from the all-ages section with designated security monitoring
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LE Specific Recommendations for Event Readiness:

1. **Increase Law Enforcement Staffing:** Increase to at least **4 deputies** for the main event per industry standards for alcohol-serving events and due to the unique venue location. This will allow for 2 teams of 2 deputies.
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Conclusion:

The Strings & Things Music Festival has strong planning in place, including a law enforcement presence, emergency medical readiness, and controlled site logistics. Minor adjustments to security staffing are recommended to enhance the event's safety.

Written by:

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Whatcom County Sheriff's Office
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Phone: 360-778-6730 or 360-599-8189

Reviewed by:

Lieutenant Jason Karb
Whatcom County Sheriff's Office
Email: jkarb@co.whatcom.wa.us / Phone: 360-778-6742

Event Description.

One day only music festival, open to all ages. This is the second year; we sold 600 tickets last year, so we anticipate having over 1000 people attend Strings and Things 2025.

- Date: July 12th, 2025.
- Start time – 2pm, end time – 10pm.
- Location **Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simundson Drive, Point Roberts 98281**. The event will take place on the approx. 1-acre green space just north of the Pier Restaurant. Refer to site map.
- **6 musical acts**, each with a 45-minute set with 30 minutes break in between. See Stringsandthingsmusicfestival.com

The theme of the festival centers on strings (violins and other string instruments) which will encapsulate a few genres ranging from classical to Celtic party folk.

The event is ticketed with 3 price points, general admission children u/12 and VIP. There will be 20 plus volunteers checking tickets (which will be sold online and hard copy starting May 1) at the entrance. Each person attending will get a wrist band with in and out privileges.

There will be a 20x40 tent to serve as the VIP tent. The vendor for the tent company will be [All Season Party Tents \(360\) 303 6617](http://AllSeasonPartyTents.com) out of Bellingham, contact owner Jeff Lombard, it will be a simple Marquee Tent, NO COOKING will take place under this tent it's simply a lounge area. Additionally, there will be 2 10x20 pop up tents placed on either side of the field to serve as shade structures for general admission folks. Festival attendees will also be able to seek shade in the fire tents.

Stage, sound & lighting:

This will be rented and set up through PNW Mobile Staging mobile: 214.578.7778 | info@putastageonit.com- see attached stage quote and dimensions.

Food & Beverage:

The owner of the Pier Restaurant (located at the same address as the Marina), Tamra Hansen, will be handling all the catering and beverage sales for the festival, she will be applying for the relevant permits through the Whatcom health department. We will be splitting the field so that one half is over 21 (drinking area) and the other half is all ages- please refer to the site map. Concession areas will be on either side of the field, one in the non-drinking area and the other in the drinking area. There will be water stations throughout the field so festival goes can fill their own water bottles and cups.

We are going green so we are working with vendors to reduce (hopefully eliminate the use of plastic disposable utensils and cups, in favor of compostable items.

Safety & Emergency Measures:

We have the full support of Point Roberts Fire Chief, Christopher Carlton ccarleton@wcfcd5.com. We will have a medical tent, 20 firefighters including EMT's, Paramedics and CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). They will have a brush truck and a fire truck parked onsite, and we have permission from Point Roberts Marina to keep their parking lot free on the day of the festival to allow for medivac helicopter to land. I included 2 maps, one has the layout for the field and one is more zoomed out and marks parking and chopper landing area.

Security & Liability:

Please see the attached certificate of liability insurance. Additionally, we will be contracting with Whatcom Sheriff's department. to have 2-3 off duty sheriffs for general security plus volunteers checking bags, monitoring the grounds for any safety issues. In 2024 we had over 20 local volunteers handling gates, security fielding questions.

Seating:

We **will not** be using bleachers or any rented seating in the main festival area. We will possibly include some lounge areas in the VIP tent and some high-top cocktail tables. For general admission ticket holders, people will be permitted bring their own seating (folding chairs etc.)

Porta Potties:

Doug Shier owner of The Potty Wagon, a local Point Roberts business, will supply 15 porta potties and has assured more will be available depending on ticket sales. Refer to site map for proposed placement.

Trash Receptacles:

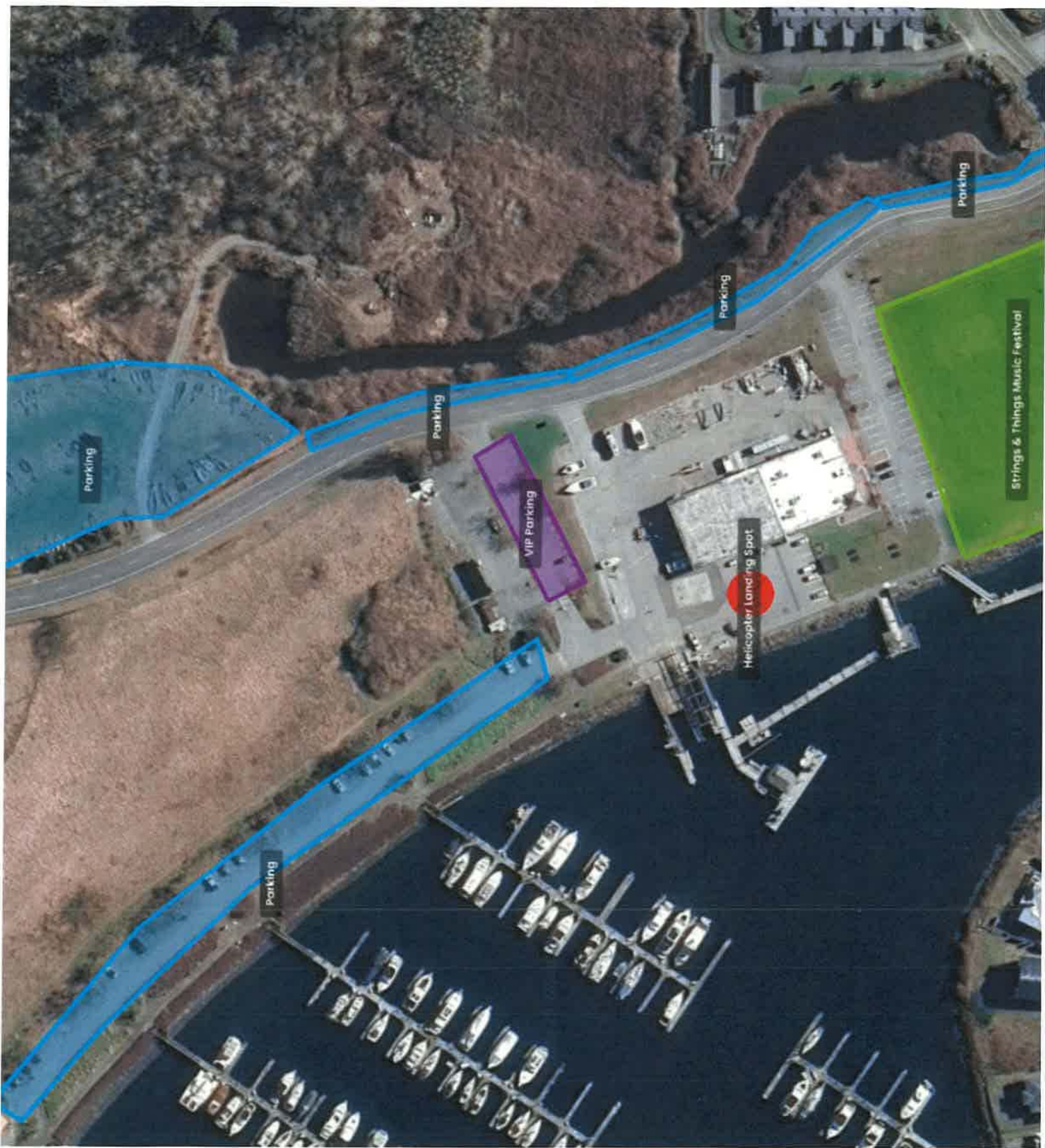
These will be generously placed around the festival site, trash & recycling cans by each of the two concession areas also by entrances and exits. Volunteers will be monitoring them throughout the day to empty them as needed.

Parking:

Accessible parking is marked on the map, that will be supplied by the owner of The Pier Restaurant, located right by the entrance. General admission parking will be made available by the Marina, where there are boat trailers currently parked and the "upper parking lots. There is also ample parking on Simundson drive. Chief Carlton will be offering

his CERT team to man the parking area and direct traffic. VIP parking will be offered in the marina parking lot near the boat yard.

You will see two maps, refer to the zoomed out version to see where the parking is located relative to the field.





The Pier
Restaurant

Green Room
catering for
musicians, crew,
volunteers, fire &
medical

Accessible
Parking

Fire Truck
Parking

mesh fence

High Fence

VIP Tent

Food & Beverage

Cooling
Tent

Licensed Area

Merch

Stage

FOH

Medical
Tent

Vehicle Access

Cooling
Tent

Food & Beverage

30 ft

Imagery ©2025

EVENT PERMIT CHECKLIST

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL:

In accordance with the International Fire Code (IFC), as adopted and amended by Whatcom County (Whatcom County Code, Title 15) the following checklist items must be submitted for review. Additional information or details may be requested at the discretion of the Fire Marshal, in accordance with requirements in the IFC. Conditions of approval will be generated at the time of approval by the Fire Marshal's Office and are subject to inspections and verification at the Fire Marshal's discretion.

**Applicant
Submitted:**

**Staff
Approved:**



A Public Safety Plan (site plan drawing and narrative) with the following details is required:
(IFC Section 403.12)



- Emergency vehicle ingress and egress. ✓
- Fire protection. ✓
- Emergency egress or escape routes. ✓
- Emergency medical services. ✓
- Public assembly areas. ✓
- The directing of both attendees and vehicles, including the parking of vehicles. ✓
- Vendor and food concession distribution. ✓
- The need for the presence of law enforcement. ✓
- The need for fire and emergency medical services personnel. ✓
- Location of stages, entertainment spectator viewing, and liquor consumption areas. ✓
- Location, size, and type of any tents over 400 square feet. ✓



Detailed specification and engineering documents for the following, if proposed:



- Tent materials and flame spread/smoke density rating ✓
- Stage canopies over 400 square feet require specific documentation in accordance with IFC Section 3105. ✓
- Bleachers, grandstands, or telescopic seating require detailed plans and engineering documents be provided. N/A
- Proof of food truck inspection and approval through Washington State Labor & Industries. N/A
- Specific details of any proposed open-flames or pyrotechnics, along with separate permits from the Fire Marshal's Office. N/A

By signing this portion of the application the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office acknowledges that the applicant has provided sufficient proof and resources to ensure the general health, welfare, and safety of the public has been met pursuant to Washington State citing criteria referenced in RCW 70.108.040. The event permit shall not be issued unless all sections of the permit have been signed by authorized staff of the Whatcom County Sheriff's Department, the Whatcom County Health Department, and the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office. Access for emergency vehicles may be required at any time. The road(s) may be ordered cleared without notice by the Sheriff or Fire Marshal of Whatcom County.

(Authorizing Signature by the Whatcom County Fire Marshal's Office)

3/26/25

(Date)

WHATCOM COUNTY

Planning & Development Services
Fire Marshal's Office
5280 Northwest Drive
Bellingham, WA 98226-9097
360-778-5900, TTY 800-833-6384
360-778-5901 Fax



Mark Personius, AICP
Director

WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S
SPECIAL EVENT REQUIREMENTS

**Note: A Whatcom County permit is required when anticipated attendance is 1,000 persons or more, per Whatcom County Code (WCC Section 5.40).*

- A Public Safety Plan (site plan drawing and narrative) with the following details is required: (IFC Section 403.12)
 - Emergency vehicle ingress and egress.
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 - Public assembly areas.
 - The directing of both attendees and vehicles, including the parking of vehicles.
 - Vendor and food concession distribution.
 - The need for the presence of law enforcement.
 - The need for fire and emergency medical services personnel.
 - Location of stages, entertainment spectator viewing, and liquor consumption areas.
- Access shall be provided including drivable fire apparatus access to within 150' of all access points at the premises. (IFC Section 503)
- Any proposed tents in excess of 400 square feet (100 square feet inside of a building) must be disclosed and shown on site plan specifically, and must meet flame spread/smoke density ratings of NFPA 701, or other applicable standard. (IFC Chapter 31)
- No parking within 20 feet of any tent or membrane structure.
- Temporary wiring can be used in accordance with NFPA 70 (State Electrical Code & IFC 605.9).
- Extinguishers are required to be mounted throughout the event, with a minimum rating of 2-A:20-B:C, and with a maximum travel distance of 75 feet to any point of combustible materials. (IFC Section 906)
- Occupant load of stage(s) will be calculated based upon submitted site plan and floor area of the stage. Stage occupant load number will be posted at stage entrance(s). (IFC Chapter 10)
- Stage canopies (with membrane covering or similar) covering over 400 square feet shall be engineered and provide the following information: (IFC, Section 3105)
 - Summary sheet showing the building code used, design criteria, loads and support reactions.
 - Detailed construction and installation drawings.
 - Design calculations.
 - Operating limits of the structure explicitly outlined by the registered design professional including environmental conditions and physical forces.
 - Effects of additive elements such as video walls, supported scenery, audio equipment, vertical and horizontal coverings.
 - Means for adequate stability including specific requirements for guying and cross-bracing, ground anchors or ballast for different ground conditions.
 - Designation of responsible party for the stage canopy on-site.
 - Operations plan detailing procedures for environmental monitoring and actions to be taken under specified conditions (i.e. high winds, lightning, etc.).

- Bleachers, grandstands, or telescopic seating require detailed plans and manufacturer documentation prior to approval or use.
- Exit signs at designated exits shall be required. (IFC Chapter 10)
- All exit points shall be constantly monitored by security personnel and shall remain unlocked while the area is occupied.
- Interior or barricaded/contained events with more than 1,000 occupants requires crowd managers. (IFC Section 403.12.3)
- No smoking other than in designated areas, and not within any areas with propane/LP-gas use.
- No pyrotechnics/flames of any kind associated with entertainers, without separate Fire Marshal Operational Permit for pyrotechnics.
- No open burning of solid fuels (i.e. wood) or recreational fires of any kind, including food vendors. Cooking fuels may be limited to propane or charcoal depending on fire safety bans and location. Indoor cooking may only occur at a permitted commercial kitchen with fire suppression and ventilation.
- No cooking under any tent per IFC Section 3104.5, unless all conditions of the fire code and mechanical code are met. Warming of foods is allowed in accordance with IFC Section 3104.15.4
- LP-gas containers for food warming under tents shall be located no closer than 10 feet from any tent, with the relief valve pointed away from the tent. (IFC Section 3104.16)
- Any kitchen equipment covered by a commercial kitchen hood requires hood suppression. (IFC Section 609.2 and 904.12)
- Food trucks shall remain "self-contained" and any LP-gas used shall conform to Fire Code requirements at all times.
- Class K fire extinguishers are required within 30 feet for any cooking activities creating grease laden vapors. (IFC Section 904.12.5)
 - 1.5 gallon for deep fat frying operations.
 - 2.5 gallon for solid fuel burning appliances (or two (2) 1.5 gallon extinguishers).
- A minimum 4-A:20-B:C extinguisher is required within 30 feet of BBQ grills.
- Inspections by the Fire Marshal's Office to enforce these requirements may occur at any time prior to or during an event. (IFC Section 106.1)
- The Fire Marshal has the authority to immediately stop unsafe conditions (IFC Section 110.1.1)
- Applicant must contact and obtain necessary permits and permissions through all other applicable Whatcom County departments including, but not limited to: Public Works, Health Department, Parks Department, and the County Council Office.

For questions on requirements or to request an inspection, contact the Fire Marshal's Office at (360) 778-5900.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

01/27/2025

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION** IS **WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER East Main Street Insurance Services, Inc. Will Maddux PO Box 1298 Grass Valley CA 95945		CONTACT NAME: Will Maddux PHONE (A/C, No. Ext): (530) 477-6521 E-MAIL ADDRESS: info@theeventhelper.com FAX (A/C, No):	
INSURED Strings and Things Music Festival Breeda Rose Desmond, dba: 175 Donegal Dr Point Roberts WA 98281		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: Evanston Insurance Company INSURER B: INSURER C: INSURER D: INSURER E: INSURER F:	
		NAIC # 35378	

COVERAGES**CERTIFICATE NUMBER:****REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Certificate holder listed below is named as additional insured per attached MEGL 2217 01 19. Attendance: 2000, Event Type: Celtic Music Concert.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

Point Roberts Marina 713 Simundson Dr Point Roberts WA 98281	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
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EVANSTON INSURANCE COMPANY

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED – DESIGNATED PERSON OR ORGANIZATION

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE FORM

SCHEDULE

Name Of Additional Insured Person(s) Or Organization(s):

Point Roberts Marina
713 Simundson Dr
Point Roberts, WA 98281

A. Section II – Who Is An Insured is amended to include as an additional insured the person(s) or organization(s) shown in the Schedule of this endorsement, but only with respect to liability for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by the acts or omissions of any insured listed under Paragraph **1.** or **2.** of Section II – Who Is An Insured:

1. In the performance of your ongoing operations; or
2. In connection with your premises owned by or rented to you.

However:

1. The insurance afforded to such additional insured only applies to the extent permitted by law; and
2. If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the insurance afforded to such additional insured will not be broader than that which you are required by the contract or agreement to provide for such additional insured.

B. With respect to the insurance afforded to these additional insureds, the following is added to Section III – Limits Of Insurance:

If coverage provided to the additional insured is required by a contract or agreement, the most we will pay on behalf of the additional insured is the amount of insurance:

1. Required by the contract or agreement; or
2. Available under the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations; whichever is less.

This endorsement shall not increase the applicable Limits of Insurance shown in the Declarations.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Treasurer's Receipt
 Whatcom County
 360.676.6774

Prepared By:	Cathy Halka
Phone#/Ext:	x5019
Date:	4/14/2025

Received FROM

Deposit TO

Breeda Desmond, Strings & Things Music Festival

Outdoor Music Event Permit

Account Distribution

Cost Center.Acct.Sub	Amount	Cashier Use
1000.2675.421 Council Revenue	2,500.00	Cash
		Checks
		Other

Date: 4/14/2025

Time: 3:11 PM

Receipt Date: 4/14/2025

Steven N. Oliver
 Whatcom County Treasurer
 311 Grand Ave, Suite 104
 Bellingham, WA 98225
 360.778.5160

Total 2,500.00

Receipt #: 4148549

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Payment Code: Full Payment

NON-PROPERTY ITEMS

TREAS RCPT #: 387999 2,500.00

Base: 0.00
 P&I: 0.00
 Total: 2,500.00

TENDERS

Check 2,500.00

RECEIPT
Whatcom County

200507

DEPARTMENT Council

DATE 4-9-25

RECEIVED FROM Breeda Desmond
ADDRESS 175 Donegal Dr. Point Roberts, Wa 98281

IN PAYMENT OF 2,500.00

FUND Event Permit AMOUNT PAID 2,500.00

REVENUE CODE _____

OLD BAL.		
PAID		
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CASH		
CHECK		
MONEY ORD.		

SIGNATURE Mara Jackson

NOTE - All three copies of all voided receipts must be retained
in department's numerical file.

Cathy Halka

From: Breedra Desmond <yobreedra@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2025 4:49 PM
To: Cathy Halka
Cc: Strings & Things Music Festival; Mike Bell Music
Subject: Re: Event Permit Incomplete - Strings and Things
Attachments: Outdoor Event Permit - Letter to applicant 4.14.2025 - Strings and Things (1).pdf; LLC Certificate.pdf; Affidavit For Permit.pdf

Hi Cathy,

There are 3 additional items you require to ensure we get on the agenda for the April 29th County Council Meeting.
Item 1: A legal description of the property location, see below from Whatcom site. It's a marina that has some event space.

The screenshot shows the 'Whatcom County Assessor & Treasurer' website. The main heading is 'Property Search Results > 3970 POINT ROBERTS MARINA for Year 2024 - 2025'. Below this, there is a 'Details' tab selected. The page is divided into two main sections: 'Account' and 'Location'. The 'Account' section includes fields for Property ID (3970), Parcel # / Geo ID (0306417), Type (Personal), Tax Area (3010 - 503 R L F5 W4 C8 P1 PSA PRH), Open Space (N), Historic Property (N), Multi-Family Redevelopment (N), Township, Range, and Section. The 'Location' section includes fields for Address (713 SIMUNDSON DR, POINT ROBERTS, WA), Mapsco, Map ID, and Neighborhood CD. There is also a 'Legal Acres' field under the 'Location' section.

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Location	
Address:	713 SIMUNDSON DR POINT ROBERTS, WA
Mapsco:	
Map ID:	
Neighborhood:	
Neighborhood CD:	

Item 2: Nature of the business organization of the applicant- see attached LLC Certificate

Description: Strings & Things creates turnkey live music events, from booking musicians, coordinating infrastructure, ticketing and marketing.

Item 3: Provide a written waiver from residents within 500 yards (1500 feet) of the event- please see the attached affidavit, signed and dated. All the letters went out today and I have receipts and photos. Let me know if you need me to send proof of them being sent.

Please confirm receipt of this email and let me know if we need anything else before Monday April 21st.

Regards,
Breedra Desmond

On Mon, Apr 14, 2025 at 5:28 PM Cathy Halka <CHalka@co.whatcom.wa.us> wrote:

Dear Breedra Desmond,

Please see the attached letter in response to the permit application submitted, including items required to complete the application.

Also attached are the Treasurer's receipt, Wavier template, Boundary map, and Property owners list. Please reach out with any questions.

Best,

Cathy

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC *(she/her)*

Clerk of the Council

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The State of Washington



Secretary of State

I, **STEVE R. HOBBS**, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal, hereby issue this

CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION

to

STRINGS & THINGS LLC

A **WA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**, effective on the date indicated below.

Effective Date: 12/24/2024

UBI Number: 605 663 615



Given under my hand and the Seal of the State
of Washington at Olympia, the State Capital

Steve R. Hobbs, Secretary of State

Date Issued: 12/24/2024

**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILED WAIVERS
FOR OUTDOOR MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT, AMUSEMENTS AND ASSEMBLIES PERMIT**

Event Name: Strings & Things International Music Festival
Event Date: July 12th 2025
Event Location: Point Roberts Marina, 713 Simundson Dr. PR 98281

I, Breeda Desmond, permit applicant, do hereby certify that
I mailed waiver forms to all residential property owners within 500 yards (1500 feet) of the event location
pursuant to the requirements of RCW 70.108.100. Recipients include all listed, as provided by county staff.
04/17/2025
Mail was sent on the following date: _____.

I hereby certify or declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the
foregoing is true and correct.

Signed and dated this 17 day of April, 2025.



Signature

Breeda Desmond

Printed Name