

MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHESAPEAKE CITY

ORDINANCE 2020-006

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CHESAPEAKE CITY PERMITTING THE POSSESSION AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL IN PELL GARDEN AND THE DEDICATED SURROUNDING AREAS ON THE DAY OF THE “POPLAR HALL CHRISTMAS MARKET”.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the powers granted unto the Town of Chesapeake City under the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and the Charter of the Town of Chesapeake City, the Mayor and Council have the authority to adopt ordinances, including emergency ordinances, and regulations to preserve peace and good order within the Town; and,

WHEREAS, it is unlawful to possess and/or consume alcoholic beverages upon the public property, roads and highways of the Town of Chesapeake City; and,

WHEREAS, the Poplar Hall Christmas Market Vendors have obtained the appropriate liquor license for the sale of alcohol at Becks Landing and/or their establishments during its Poplar Hall Christmas Market on December 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to enact this Ordinance for the purpose of permitting the possession and consumption of alcohol within the area known as Pell Gardens (as depicted on the map attached hereto) during the hours of the Poplar Hall Christmas Market on December 5, 2020, without any amendments of changes to the general laws which prohibit the possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages upon any other public property, roads and highways of the Town of Chesapeake City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Chesapeake City as follows:

That the vendors of the Poplar Hall Christmas Market shall be permitted to sell alcohol in Becks Landing, and individuals of lawful age shall be permitted to purchase, possess and consume alcohol during the hours of the Poplar Hall Christmas Market on December 5, 2020, or any such day in December 2020 the Market is held in the event of inclement weather or other cause for postponement of the date of the Market, in the area known as Pell Gardens (map attached) so long as all appropriate and required licenses and approvals are obtained from the Cecil County Board of License Commissioners and any other State or County governmental authority for such sale, and all requirements of such licenses are followed. It shall be unlawful for the “Poplar Hall Christmas Market and its participants and vendors” to sell; and for individuals to purchase, possess and/or consume any alcoholic beverage upon the public property, roads and highways, outside of the mapped area, of the Town of Chesapeake City. A violation of this Ordinance shall

be a “Municipal Infraction” punishable by a fine in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Each instance shall constitute a separate offense.

Attest:

**By Authority of the Mayor and Town Council of
the Town of Chesapeake City, MD:**

Valerie Walls, Town Clerk

Richard Taylor, III, Mayor

Date Introduced

Date Adopted

Ayes

Nayes

Absent/Abstain

Approved as to Form:

Thomas N. Yeager,
Attorney, Town of Chesapeake City

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* locations for signs limiting the consumption of alcohol