

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

O-13-23

This summary was prepared by the City of Annapolis Office of Law for use by members of the Annapolis City Council during consideration of Ordinance 13-23.

BACKGROUND

Marine Entertainment, LLC, is a company owned and operated by Trevor Hardman, a local firefighter who lives in Anne Arundel County. The LLC operates Party Boat Annapolis, planning tours of Ego Alley, Spa Creek and the Annapolis Harbor via a 30-foot "pedal boat."

The pontoon boat is outfitted with eight bike pedal stations around a bar top under a canvas-covered bimini. Passengers pedal to turn a large paddle wheel on the back of the boat.

The boat will carry six passengers, plus two crew members, for 90-minute tours/rides. The crew captain steers the boat while passengers pedal. It's equipped with a small outboard motor that maintains control and allows passengers to take a break from pedaling.

No restroom is on board; passengers are advised to use the City Dock public restrooms.

BILL SUMMARY

O-13-23 authorizes the City of Annapolis to enter into a lease with Marine Entertainment, LLC, to dock a new tour boat at City Dock during specific times in FY 2023 & 2024, generally during the summer season.

Lease Agreement

• Dates of operation from City Dock:

March 31-April 14

May 3-14

May 26-June 9

June 30-July 14

August 4-18

• Rent to the City for those dates is \$5,874.40



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- The vessel would use space at DNR Dock located at the end of Prince George Street.
- Passengers cannot be picked up or let off at the end of Ego Alley (by the Market House), and the boat cannot use Susan Campbell Park.
- Party Boat Annapolis is allowed to sell alcoholic beverages if they get the proper permits and licenses. However, Marine Entertainment says there will be no alcohol sales onboard. Passengers can bring their own drinks and snacks.
- Amplified music or other amplified sound on the Premises shall not exceed the maximum decibel levels specified in Chapter 11.12 of the Code of the City of Annapolis, which sets the decibel level depending on where the boat is located and the hours when it's in operation.
- Party Boat Annapolis cannot keep a dock box at the slip, cannot do maintenance there, and must keep the slip area clean.
- Other terms are listed in the lease attached to 0-13-23.