



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
National Capital Region
1100 Ohio Drive, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20242

IN REPLY REFER TO:

PUBLIC GATHERING PERMIT

Permit: 20-1327

Date: November 13, 2020

In accordance with Park Regulations as contained in C.F.R., Title 36, Chapter 1, Section 7.96, permission is granted to conduct a public gathering to the following:

Person(s) and/or Organization(s): Cindy Chafian Women for America First

Dates(s): Saturday, November 14, 2020

To: Saturday, November 14, 2020

Time: Starting: 8:00 AM

Ending: 3:00 PM

Location(s):
Freedom Plaza

Purpose: Freedom of speech rally.

Anticipated Number or Participants: 10000

Person(s) in Charge: Cindy Chafian

Address(es): (b) (6)

Phone Number: (b) (6)

Mobile Number: (b) (6)

On-Site Contact: James Lyles

Mobile Number: (b) (6)

This permit is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Permittee and all participants authorized therein must comply with all of the conditions of this permit and with all reasonable directions of the United States Park Police.
2. All sidewalks, walkways, and roadways must remain unobstructed to allow for the reasonable use of these areas by pedestrians, vehicles and other park visitors.

PERMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR READING AND ADHERING TO ATTACHED
ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS.

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Focus: Trump and Conservative Speakers
Dr. Sebastian Gorka, DOD Presidential Appointee & Host
“America First” Radio Show
Paris Dennard
Penny Nance, Concerned Women for America
Matt Schlapp, American Conservative Union
Debbie Kraulidiis, Moms for America
Evan Sayet
Rose Tennant
Danielle D’Souzza
Gabby Franco
Stacy Washington
Scott Pressler
Tracy Beanz, UncoverDC
Ryan Fournier, Students for Trump

1:50 p.m. Group YMCA
March
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. March (Freedom Plaza to the Supreme Court of the United States)
2:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Equipment removal and cleanup
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Final speakers at Supreme Court

COVID-19 Mitigation Plan:

See attached

*Extra face mask will be available

EQUIPMENT:

Podium
Portable toilets (20 regular and 2 ADA)
Tents (2)
Generator
Speakers
Portable sound system
Speaker stands
Folding tables

Medical

Contracted through GW and operational providers
One tent at Freedom Plaza
One mobile medic team
Tent team will break down and become second mobile team for the march.

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Transport units-one flatbed cart and one 4 person cart

Use of firearms - Unless authorized, the use or discharge of a firearm within a park area is prohibited. 36 CFR 2.4(g) and 13.30(d).

Prohibited concealed firearms location under the authority of this permitted event:

Concealed firearms are not permitted in Washington, D.C.

National Mall and Memorial Parks Memorials

The area around the White House

A demonstration in a public place

Possession of Firearms in Federal Facilities

Unless expressly authorized, Federal law prohibits the possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon in National Park Service facilities. These buildings include, but are not limited to, government offices, visitor centers, ranger stations, fee collection buildings, and maintenance facilities. 18 U.S.C. 930.

Possession of Firearms in National Park Units

In areas administered by the National Park Service, an individual can possess a firearm if that individual is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing the firearm and if the possession of the firearm complies with the laws of the state where the park area is located. 54 U.S.C. 104906.

It is the responsibility of visitors to understand and comply with all applicable Federal, state and local firearms laws and regulations, including laws authorizing or prohibiting concealed carry, before entering a national park. Some parks are located in more than one state or locality which means that the applicable laws may change depending upon where you are located within a park area.

If a park is located in a jurisdiction where the applicable state and local laws grant reciprocity to non-resident firearm owners, then consistent with the applicable law, the park will equally recognize the reciprocity.

A. **This permit authorizes the use of Freedom Plaza.**

B. Permitee is responsible for equipment/objects brought to the site to conduct this activity. All equipment must be removed from the park immediately following the conclusion of the event. Items left in the park will be considered abandoned property and will not be the responsibility of the National Park Service.

All structures must be able to withstand a minimum wind gust of 90 mph and must follow the guidelines below and adhere to National Fire Protection Association codes.

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The Permittee shall insure that all logistical equipment/structures placed on park property adhere to all applicable codes, standards, and regulations including but not limited to BOCA, OSHA, USPHS, NFPA and ADA, covering requirements including but not limited to safe construction practices and grounding of generators.

C. Demonstration Marshals (25): Wearing black t-shirts “1st Amendment Praetorians) and a lapel pin-

Demonstration marshals should be aware of their responsibilities and location(s) where they will be stationed and have received from demonstration organizers, adequate training and instructions. Demonstration marshals should be aware of the time and location of the assembly and any march routes, the location of any first aid stations, water and toilets, be knowledgeable of the NPS permit conditions, be able to communicate with law enforcement, as well as what to do if they think they observe any problems. While demonstration marshals do not act as police, they do help maintain order among participants, explain to non-participants that a particular area may be under permit, and be able to alert their supervisor and the United States Park Police in the event that they observe a problem on Federal parkland.

D. Logistical vehicles must unload and load from the street curb. All equipment must be hand-carried and/or hand-carted to event site. **Neither driving nor parking allowed on Freedom Plaza.** All vehicles must park in designated, available public spaces.

E. Throughout the course of this permit, the Permittee will require its employees/volunteers, and contractors, to exercise special care and attention to protect the resources of Freedom Plaza and its environs. To protect the resources, stages, stands and other facilities approved for placement on Freedom Plaza and Pennsylvania Avenue walkways, must be supported by 3/4 inch plywood or similar material. All protective pads or cushioning devices shall be non-staining.

No food and/or beverage set up permitted on Freedom Plaza without approval from the National Park Service (NPS).

F. Pursuant to 36 CFR 7.96(g)(5)(vi)(C), the alteration, adaptation, damage or injuring, and/or removal of park resources or facilities are prohibited. No holes may be dug and no item, including signs or banners, may be attached to park trees, plantings, benches or other park property.

G. **Electricity**

Permittee may provide own gasoline and/or solar powered generator(s) to provide power for tents, trailers, video and sound, towers and lighting.

Generators will be installed in accordance with the site plan, D.C. Fire Department guidelines, and safely installed per manufacturer requirements. **The fueling/refueling of gasoline powered generators on parkland is prohibited*. The storage of additional fuel is prohibited.**

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At a minimum, for hand carted generators, 1” professional outdoor grade plywood, or similar material must be placed underneath the generator to protect the underlying surfaces from potential weight and vibration damage and fluid leakage. Generators must be encased with a secondary drip containment unit.

Tow plant generator(s) must have an internal secondary drip containment unit and/or placed in containment troughs and be fenced in or closed in with bike rack.

All wires must be covered by mats and/or yellow jackets to prevent tripping hazards. The cord must be in good condition, of sufficient gauge to accommodate the electrical load of equipment and must be properly grounded.

All cables, power lines, etc. shall be run in an orderly manner and contained in matted yellow jackets that provide for safety and accessibility. No power lines/phone lines can be strung between trees.

A Fire extinguisher must be within 15 feet of generator(s).

The storage of fuel on parkland, in trailers, next to generators and at other NPS locations is strictly prohibited.

Special attention is drawn to the last sentence, item #7, last page of this permit, concerning sound amplification. All sound amplification equipment shall be limited so that it will not unreasonably disturb nonparticipating persons in, or in the vicinity of, the area. **NOTE: amplified sound during the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. is prohibited**

H. CAMPING

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. 7.96(i), camping is prohibited. Camping is defined as the use of the park land for living accommodation purposes such as sleeping activities, or making preparation to sleep (including the laying down or bedding for the purpose of sleeping), or storing personal belongings, or making any fire, or using any tents or shelter or other structure or vehicle for sleeping or doing any digging or earth breaking or carrying on cooking activities. The above-listed activities constitute camping when it reasonably appears, in light of all the circumstances that the participants, in conducting these activities, are in fact using the area as a living accommodation regardless of the intent of the participants or the nature of any other activities in which they may also be engaging.

I. Special attention is drawn to item #4, last page of this permit concerning fees collected and donations solicited on parkland. No merchandise may be sold or offered for sale except for message bearing books, newspapers, leaflets, pamphlets, buttons and bumper stickers. . Sales areas can be no larger than 6’ wide by 15’ long by 6’ high, and can have only one table 2 ½ ‘ by

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8', or 4' by 4'. **The sale of Tee Shirts, CD's, cassette tapes and other similar materials is prohibited. No sales are associated with this permit.**

J. Permittee does not have exclusive use of the area including walks and roadways. No interference with the pedestrian traffic and no blocking entrances or driveways allowed.

K. The Permittee will be responsible for any injuries and/or damage to government property occurring as a result of this permitted activity.

L. **Comfort Facilities:**

If attendance is expected to exceed the capacity of nearby NPS public comfort facilities, or if none exist in or near the requested park area, the Permittee must provide portable, temporary toilets with sufficient capacity to accommodate anticipated attendance. The general guideline is a minimum of one (1) portable toilet per three hundred (300) people, of which at least twenty percent (20%) must be handicapped accessible.

All portable toilets must be placed in groups of (5) or less, with a (6') clearance between each group.

M. Balloons and glass beverage containers are prohibited on parkland.

N. **Tents:** To protect the turf, tents should be located on hardscape surfaces including gravel, asphalt, concrete, granite, wood, etc. tents and other similar structures must be secured using cement blocks and/or water-filled ballast tanks. No stakes are permitted on hardscape surfaces.

Non-freezing, no-staining liquid approved by the NPS (water treated with bio-degradable antifreeze) in plastic containers and/or cement blocks, shall be used as weighing elements. No sand bags are permitted for this purpose. Non-staining pads must be placed underneath cement blocks to prevent scrapping/scaring of hardscape surfaces.

At takedown, all water filled ballast tanks must be pumped to the nearest catch basin (located within the curbs) or to the area drains located throughout the hardscape. Tanks may not be drained into the turf or pumped in gravel areas. This prevents creation of muddy puddles and soft areas in the turf and also limits runoff of gravel into area drains.

Tents must be constructed of fire retardant material. A certificate of fire retardant material must be provided as confirmation to the NPS.

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O. Trash Removal:

Permittee is responsible for removing all trash and debris resulting from this permitted activity immediately following the conclusion of this activity. Permittee is responsible for collecting and bagging all trash **IN CLEAR PLASTIC BAGS** from the area after the event.

P. Permittee is responsible for contacting the Metropolitan Police Department, (202) 671-6522, to obtain the necessary approval and/or paperwork for the use of property under their jurisdictions.

Q. **Filming/Photography:** All equipment will be portable and self-contained and have rubber tips and/or similar protective material to protect the surface. All equipment must be hand carried/hand carted to filming location.

Under no circumstances will any equipment, including lighting, be allowed to be placed and/or attached to any trees, planters, light poles, structures, etc. Cabling across entrances and handicapped accessible ramps must be ADA approved and cannot impair or prevent access. All cables must be covered to prevent tripping hazards.

R. **Permittee will at all times provide an on-site coordinator to be accessible to National Park Service and United States Park Police personnel throughout all activities associated with the first amendment activity. Permittee has designated James Lyles, (b) (6) as onsite coordinator.**

S. **Permittee must contact Special Events Sergeant, U.S. Park Police, 202-610-7092, to finalize any police logistics.**

T. Permittee must contact Deborah Deas, Division of Park Programs, on 202-680-8804, to finalize any program logistics.

U. If the Permittee decides to cancel or substantially modify its event, the Permittee must immediately advise both the United States Park Police Special Events Sergeant at (202) 610-7092 and the Division of Park Programs at (202) 245-4715.

V. **A copy of this permit must be carried at all times by the Permittee while operating under the authority granted.**