Umbria in Sugar Land

- The City of Sugar Land, the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce, Sugar Land Cultural Arts Foundation, the Festival del Cinema Cittá di Spello ed I Borghi Umbria, and the City of Spello are partnering together to put on a multi-day film festival event known as *Umbria in Sugar Land*
- Film festival event from Thursday, October 25, 2018 to Sunday, October 28, 2018
- Sugar Land Auditorium (FBISD facility) will be the primary location
- Receptions, featuring Italian beer and wine, will be held at nearby Lonnie Green Park
 - Lonnie Green Park is within 300 feet of FBISD facility and International Christian Network Church

Alcohol Consumption at Lonnie Green Park

Director of Parks &
 Recreation has the ability to allow alcohol in parks



Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code

• Section 109.33(a) of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code <u>authorizes the</u> <u>governing board of an incorporated city to enact regulations prohibiting</u> <u>the sale of alcoholic beverages by a dealer whose place of business is within three hundred (300) feet of any church, public or private school, or hospital</u>

City of Sugar Land Code of Ordinances

• Section 3-91(a) of the City of Sugar Land Code of Ordinances prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverage within the corporate limits of the city where the place of business of a dealer is within 300 feet of any church, public school, or public hospital

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code

- Section 109.33(e) of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code authorizes the governing board of a city that has enacted a regulation under section 109.33(a) to allow variances to the regulation if the governing body determines that enforcement of the regulation in a particular instance is not in the best interest of the public,
 - Not effective or necessary, among other reasons.
 - Health, safety, and welfare of the public should be considered.

City of Sugar Land Code of Ordinances

• Chapter 3, Section 3-91(e) of the City of Sugar Land Code of Ordinances <u>allows the City Council to allow a variance to the prohibition on the sale of alcohol within 300 feet of any church, public school, or public hospital</u>

Distance

• Because distance to FBISD facility and a church is less than 300 feet, a one-time variance to the City's Code of Ordinances is required



Umbria in Sugar Land

- The sale of alcohol will:
 - Add to the overall appeal of the event
 - Enhance the economic impact of the event
- The sale of alcohol at Lonnie Green Park for *Umbria in Sugar Land-related* receptions is in the best interest of the community
- Note: No receptions at Lonnie Green Park will coincide with any FBSID activities.

Community Outreach & Parking

- Staff contacted:
 - **Old Sugar Land-area** residents
 - Hill Block Captains
 - Lakeview Elementary
 - Two area churches
- Park, Auditorium, and supporting parking lots are shown in the corresponding map







AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, **GRANTING A ONE-TIME VARIANCE FROM** CHAPTER 3, SECTION 3-91 OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND CODE OF ORDINANCES TO **ALLOW FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC** BEVERAGES AT LONNIE GREEN PARK DURING RECEPTIONS RELATED TO THE CITY-PARTNERED EVENT KNOWN AS UMBRIA IN SUGAR LAND.

Next Steps

- First Reading (9/4/2018)
- Second Reading (9/18/2018)
- Implement October 25-October 28, 2018

Action

• Staff recommends consideration and approval of the first reading of Ordinance No. 2141, allowing for a one-time variance for the prohibition on the sale of alcoholic beverages at Lonnie Green park during the dates of October 25-October 28, 2018.

Questions?