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Dear Council Members:

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church is once again seeking permission to hold its annual Greek food festival on June 27, 28, and 29, 2013. As always, we plan to open for lunch at approximately 11:30am and go through dinner to about 9:30pm.

The festival takes place under a large tent we rent and erect in the parking lot between the Church and our Parish House. We rent tables and chairs to seat about 350 people at one time. Several thousand guests typically visit the festival. Greek foods (lamb, chicken, moussaka, pastitso, grape leaves and spanikopita), hand made Greek pastries and beverages (soda, water, wine and beer) have been traditionally served. A small assortment of religious icons, T shirts and various souvenir items are also offered for sale. A Greek band will play from about 6 to 9:30pm. Greek dancing usually takes place in the evening.

This is the same format we have had for 31 years. Private security and Portland City police share security from 6pm to the next morning each day. The festival has never had any incidents or trouble. Our guests are mostly adults and families with children. We hope you will approve a liquor license for the festival and all our other needed licenses and permits and drop by to attend "the best three day party in Portland". Thank you.

Yours truly,

Gregory A. Tselikis

President, Parish Council