



To: Members of the Arlington Select Board

From: Linda Shoemaker

Date: January 27, 2019

RE: PORCHFEST request to use Whittemore Park, Saturday, June 8, 2019

Dear members of the Arlington Select Board,

I am writing to request the use of Whittemore Park as "Arlington Porchfest Headquarters" on Saturday, June 8, 2019, from 12:00 noon through 6:00 pm. (*Raindate: Sunday, June 9*).

This will be Arlington's 4th annual Porchfest, bringing live local music to Arlington's front porches, lawns and driveways in a fun celebration of music and community. Last year's Porchfest presented nearly 200 bands and performers on 95 porches, drawing an estimated 10,000 people into Arlington's neighborhoods and business districts over the course of the day.

Last year, we added the "Porchfest HQ" at Whittemore Park as the center of the festival, with a tent where folks can get information, pick up a map, take a break, and meet up during the day. Musicians played in the Park all afternoon, and the day ended with a rousing final performance by the School of HONK.

Your approval last year for the HQ at Whittemore Park made it possible for Porchfest to have a vibrant, buzzing homebase and improved the coherence and visibility of the event. Your approval again this year would be most appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration, and please join us on June 8 for Arlington Porchfest!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Shoemaker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Shoemaker
Executive Director

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