

KERN COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
General Services Division

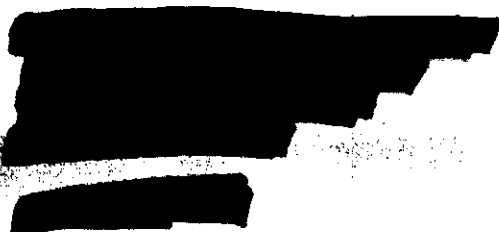


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The County has completed its review of your request to conduct auction proceedings on County owned property, specifically at the Liberty Bell located at 1415 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA, or the fountain behind the County Administration building at 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA. Our research has not revealed any regulation or mandate to hold these auction proceedings on public property.

Additionally, any private business being conducted on County property is required to meet certain criteria mandated by laws and regulations. Primarily, the business conducted needs to be fulfilling a County purpose or need, and requires a competitive process to give all vendors the same opportunity to meet the request of the County. Current laws forbid the use of taxpayer dollars to benefit private business without meeting the conditions mentioned above.

Based on this information, unfortunately, the County is unable to grant your request to hold auction proceedings on any County property.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew D. Maass".

Matthew D. Maass
Division Director

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