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The city's rush to prohibit street performers from using amplifiers for their acts got snafled a bit Tuesday after several performers spoke against the idea. The amendment to the city code would have forced amplification of sound on public property and right-of-way throughout the city.

Facing the second reading of the amendment several performers, including Abby Roach, Sterling Marsh, David Hayes and Julie Mitchell, told the council the new rule would be a violation of free speech. Roach, who heads the Asheville Buskers Collective, said that performers often travel between Knoxville and Asheville to perform. She said that "jugg-



Knoxville *Focus* columnist Rosie Moore recently released her third book, "Love Anytime." She signed copies at a reception in Frontgate City Tuesday night. Pictured with Knoxville *Focus* staff and contributors Ray Hill, Marianne Dechman, Ken Lay, Bill Wright, Steve Hunsley, Pete Garcia, Rosie Moore, Rose King, Dr. Jim Ferguson, Ralphine Major and Pam Poo. Not pictured, Steve Williams.

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