



**City of Annapolis**  
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**Fee Waivers for City Supported Special Events in Fiscal Year 2027**

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**City Council of the**  
**City of Annapolis**

**Resolution 8-26**

**Introduced by: Alderman Huntley**  
**Co-sponsored by:**

**Referred to:** Finance Committee

A **RESOLUTION** concerning

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**FOR** the purpose of identifying City Supported Special Events in Fiscal Year 2027 and waiving certain related City fees for those events.

**WHEREAS**, Section 14.18.160(A)(8) states, "City events, and special events exempted from the permit requirement pursuant to § 14.18.050(B), that meet the definition of a major City dock event shall be included in the calculation of the special event limitations of this section"; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 14.18.020 of the City Code defines a "City Supported Event" as "a special event for which the City waives some or all of the fees pursuant to Section 14.18.110, or for which the City agrees to provide financial or in-kind support and be identified as a sponsor. The City shall not be the applicant or an event organizer for a City-supported event; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6.04.210 of the City Code states that "whenever a person leases, uses or occupies a City facility, the person shall be charged and pay a minimum of full fees for the use of the facility"; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 6.04.210 of the City Code states that full fees “means the value of the right to lease, use or occupy the City facility as determined by the Finance Director in a fiscal impact note, plus all costs incurred by the City as a result of the facility's use by the person, including, but not limited to, utility costs and costs associated with municipal services (public safety, public works, custodial, renovations, repairs, maintenance, transportation and parking)”; and

**WHEREAS,** Examples of City facilities include public spaces, grounds, parks, athletic facilities, fields, docks, piers, wet slips, moorings, developable waters, buildings, motor vehicles, equipment, structures, rooms, or other parts of public buildings; and

**WHEREAS,** Examples of City services include traffic control, crowd control, public safety support (police or fire), trash removal, sanitary services, recycling, bulk pick-up, the provision of water, sewer, electricity, communications or other utilities, transportation, and labor; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 6.04.210 further states that the fees for use of City facilities and City services may be waived “by resolution of the City Council pursuant to guidelines approved by the City Council.”

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the following Special Events are designated City Supported Special Events during Fiscal Year 2027 in recognition of their significance to our heritage and public service to our City:

*In order of when events occur during the Fiscal Year:*

- Independence Day Parade (July)
- Family Day Festival (July)
- Elk’s Pre-Labor Day Parade (September)
- Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival (September)
- Tug of War (November)
- Veterans Day Ceremony (November)
- Grand Illumination (November)
- Lights Parade (December)
- New Year’s Eve Celebration (December)
- St. Patrick’s Day Parade Weekend Events, including the Hooley and Shamrock the Dock (March)
- Annapolis Film Festival (March)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade (April)
- African Diaspora Concert and Festival (April/May)
- Memorial Day Parade (May)
- Annapolis Pride Parade and Festival (June)
- Juneteenth Parade and Festival (June)
- Eastport a Rockin’ (June)

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that there shall be a waiver of certain fees for the designated City Supported Special Events identified in the Staff Report attached to this Resolution and incorporated by reference.

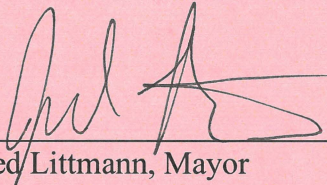
**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage.

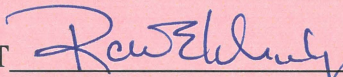
**ADOPTED this 27th day of April 2026.**

**Aye:** 6 Mayor Littmann, Alderman Huntley, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Allsup-Johnson, Alderman Schandelmeier, and Alderman Thorp

**Out of Room:** 1 Alderman Smith-Brown

**Absent:** 2 Alderwoman Contee and Alderman Savidge

**THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL**  Date: 5/1/2026  
Jared Littmann, Mayor

**ATTEST**  Date: 5/4/26  
Regina Watkins-Eldridge, MMC,  
City Clerk

