

Legislation Text

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Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception - For the purpose of identifying the Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception that will be held on January 24, 2023, as a Major Special Event; and waiving certain City of Annapolis fees for services related to that event.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE City of Annapolis

Resolution 61-22

Introduced by Mayor Buckley

A RESOLUTION concerning

Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception

- **FOR** the purpose of identifying the Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception that will be held on January 24, 2023, as a Major Special Event; and waiving certain City of Annapolis fees for services related to that event.
- WHEREAS, Section 14.18.110 of the City Code states that "the City Council may exempt certain special events from fees by resolution"; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception will take place on January 24, 2023, from 4pm-7pm in the circular parking lot behind the Visit Annapolis building; and
- WHEREAS, Tourism attracts more than five million out-of-town visitors from 28 different countries to Annapolis and Anne Arundel County annually; and
- WHEREAS, Tourism generates an estimated \$3,000,000 in heritage tourism revenue annually (100,000 visitors spending an average of \$30 on dining, shopping, hotels, or another activity), according to Historic Annapolis; and
- WHEREAS, The Maryland tourism industry also generated \$2.1 billion in state and local taxes in 2021, essentially saving each Maryland household \$923 in annual taxes, and directly supported Marylanders with nearly 113,000 jobs, according to the Maryland Office of Tourism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the citysupported Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception that will be held on January 24, 2023, is hereby designated a Major Special Event in recognition of its significance to tourism in our City. **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the City of Annapolis hereby waives reimbursement for the costs associated with the Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception that will be held on January 24, 2023, up to a maximum of \$2,740 including but not limited to costs for providing related services.

EXPLANATION <u>Underlining</u> indicates matter added. [Strikethrough] indicates matter stricken.