

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

2 For the purpose of identifying City Supported Special Events in Fiscal Year 2027 and waiving
3 certain related City fees for those events.
4

5
6 **City Council of the**
7 **City of Annapolis**

8 **Resolution 8-26**

9 **Introduced by: Alderman Huntley**

10 **Co-sponsored by:**

11
12 **Referred to:** Finance Committee

13 **A RESOLUTION** concerning

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

15
16 **FOR** the purpose of identifying City Supported Special Events in Fiscal Year 2027 and
17 waiving certain related City fees for those events.
18

19 **WHEREAS,** Section 14.18.160(A)(8) states, "City events, and special events exempted from
20 the permit requirement pursuant to § 14.18.050(B), that meet the definition of a
21 major City dock event shall be included in the calculation of the special event
22 limitations of this section"; and
23

24 **WHEREAS,** Section 14.18.020 of the City Code defines a "City Supported Event" as "a special
25 event for which the City waives some or all of the fees pursuant to Section
26 14.18.110, or for which the City agrees to provide financial or in-kind support and
27 be identified as a sponsor. The City shall not be the applicant or an event organizer
28 for a City-supported event; and

29
30 **WHEREAS,** Section 6.04.210 of the City Code states that "whenever a person leases, uses or
31 occupies a City facility, the person shall be charged and pay a minimum of full fees
32 for the use of the facility"; and
33

34 **WHEREAS,** Section 6.04.210 of the City Code states that full fees "means the value of the right
35 to lease, use or occupy the City facility as determined by the Finance Director in a
36 fiscal impact note, plus all costs incurred by the City as a result of the facility's use
37 by the person, including, but not limited to, utility costs and costs associated with
38 municipal services (public safety, public works, custodial, renovations, repairs,
39 maintenance, transportation and parking)"; and
40

1 **WHEREAS,** Examples of City facilities include public spaces, grounds, parks, athletic facilities,
2 fields, docks, piers, wet slips, moorings, developable waters, buildings, motor
3 vehicles, equipment, structures, rooms, or other parts of public buildings; and
4

5 **WHEREAS,** Examples of City services include traffic control, crowd control, public safety
6 support (police or fire), trash removal, sanitary services, recycling, bulk pick-up,
7 the provision of water, sewer, electricity, communications or other utilities,
8 transportation, and labor; and
9

10 **WHEREAS,** Section 6.04.210 further states that the fees for use of City facilities and City
11 services may be waived “by resolution of the City Council pursuant to guidelines
12 approved by the City Council.”
13

14 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the
15 following Special Events are designated City Supported Special Events during Fiscal Year 2027
16 in recognition of their significance to our heritage and public service to our City:
17

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

- 19 ● Independence Day Parade (July)
- 20 ● Family Day Festival (July)
- 21 ● Elk’s Pre-Labor Day Parade (September)
- 22 ● Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival (September)
- 23 ● Tug of War (November)
- 24 ● Veterans Day Ceremony (November)
- 25 ● Grand Illumination (November)
- 26 ● Lights Parade (December)
- 27 ● New Year’s Eve Celebration (December)
- 28 ● St. Patrick’s Day Parade Weekend Events, including the Hooley and Shamrock the Dock
29 (March)
- 30 ● Annapolis Film Festival (March)
- 31 ● Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade (April)
- 32 ● African Diaspora Concert and Festival (April/May)
- 33 ● Memorial Day Parade (May)
- 34 ● Annapolis Pride Parade and Festival (June)
- 35 ● Juneteenth Parade and Festival (June)
- 36

37 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that there
38 shall be a waiver of certain fees for the designated City Supported Special Events identified in the
39 Staff Report attached to this Resolution and incorporated by reference.
40

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