



City of Annapolis

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Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception Fee Waiver

For the purpose of identifying the Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception hosted by Visit Annapolis and Anne Arundel County that will be held on January 27, 2026, as a Special Event and waiving certain City of Annapolis fees for services related to that event.

City Council of the
City of Annapolis

Resolution 43-25

Introduced by: Mayor Buckley

Referred to: Finance Committee

A RESOLUTION concerning

Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception Fee Waiver

FOR the purpose of the Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception hosted by Visit Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, which will be held on January 27, 2026, as a 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 hosted by Visit Annapolis and Anne Arundel County will take place on January 27, 2026, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the circular parking lot behind the Visit Annapolis building; and

WHEREAS, Tourism in 2023 topped 45.1 million visitors statewide, according to the Maryland Office of Tourism; and

WHEREAS, Tourism attracts more than 6.8 million visitors to Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, generating \$4.1 billion in visitor spending. This spending generates \$455 million in state and local taxes and supports 26,000 visitor-dependent jobs, which account for 10% of all employment in Anne Arundel County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that:

1. The Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception hosted by Visit Annapolis and Anne Arundel County that will be held on January 27, 2026, is hereby designated a Special Event to recognize its significance to tourism in our City.
2. The City of Annapolis waives reimbursement for costs related to the "Annual Meeting and Tourism Industry Reception" up to \$4,000, covering expenses such as security, cleanup, and other related services.

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that this resolution shall take effect upon passage.

ADOPTED this 27th day of October 2025.

Aye: 8 Mayor Buckley, Alderman Huntley, Alderwoman O'Neill, Alderwoman Finlayson, Alderman Schadelmeier, Alderman Gay, Alderman Savidge and Alderman Arnett

Absent: 1 Alderwoman Pindell Charles

THE ANNAPOLIS CITY
COUNCIL


Gavin Buckley, Mayor

Date:

11/10/25

ATTEST


Regina Watkins-Eldridge, MMC,
City Clerk

Date:

11/10/25