

R-8-26

Fee Waivers for City-Supported Special Events in Fiscal Year 2027

AMENDMENT 1 – ALDERMAN THORP

(on behalf of the Finance Committee)

Amendment Summary:

Amendment 1 includes "Eastport a Rockin'" in the annual list of events for which city fees are waived. This exemption covers police services and additional trash pickup.

"Eastport a Rockin'" is a one-day music festival featuring 40 local bands showcasing diverse musical styles. It is held on Back Creek and Second Street in Eastport and serves as a fundraiser to support local charities.

Alderman Frank Thorp (Ward 8), the amendment's sponsor, estimates the amount of fees waived would be approximately \$7,000, based on the event's 2025 fees of \$6,725.74.

MOTION:

On page 2, in line 36, insert "Eastport a Rockin' (June)"

As the Change Would Look in the Legislation

This is solely for showing changes & is *not* part of the Amendment Motion.

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.