



Agenda Item Report

Legislative Board: City Council
Date: April 1, 2025
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ITEM TITLE: Proclamation recognizing April 1, 2025, as Buda's Birthday, to be received by Buda City Council

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Buda of Buda was established on April 1, 1881 when land from the area was advertised for sale in the local Austin newspaper. To celebrate the establishment of our city, the City of Buda hosts a founders day event called Buda's Birthday the first Saturday in April. This year, Buda's Birthday Music Festival is set for Saturday, April 5, 2025 to celebrate 144 years since the founding of our City.

2. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Buda, Texas was established on April 1, 1881 when the recently widowed owner of the land that is now Buda, Cornelia Trimble, placed an advertisement in the Austin newspaper for plots of land being sold in what was at the time called DuPre, Texas.

DuPre, Texas was eventually renamed to Buda, Texas in 1887 when the United States Postal Services required the town to change it's name in order to obtain a post office since there was already a DuPre, Texas in existence. There are many local legends as to how Buda got it's name, but what is not

in dispute is that Buda is the misspelling of the Spanish word "vuida" which means widow in Spanish.

3. ANALYSIS

The City of Buda will host the Buda's Birthday Music Festival on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at the Buda Amphitheater and City Park to honor the 144 years since Buda's establishment. The event will consist of local performances, food and market vendors, a carnival, a lineup up of music, and a drone show.

Also included in this year's activities will be the proclamation of Buda's Local Legend, an annual award that will recognize those, both past and present, that make an impact on Buda, Texas. This year's recipients are Helen and Rene Alcala of Helen's Casa Alde. The award will be accept by there family. Buda will also be designated as a Music Friendly Texas Community by the State of Texas through the Texas Music Office.

Schedule of events for 2025:

3:00 PM: Old Settler's Youth Talent Show / Festival Opens
4:30 PM: James McMurtry
6:30 PM: Grace Bowers and the Hodge Podge
8:00 PM: Local Legend Ceremony
8:15 PM: Music Friendly Designation Ceremony
8:30 PM: Bob Schneider
~9:55 PM: Drone Show *brought to you by Verge Aero*

10:05 PM: Festival Closes

4. FINANCIAL IMPACT

Not applicable

5. STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS

SAFE, FUN EXPERIENCES FOR ALL - OUTDOOR CAPITOL OF TEXAS

6. STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES

Music and festival activities at Buda Amphitheater and City Park

7. PROS AND CONS

Not applicable

8. ALTERNATIVES

Not applicable

9. REQUESTED ACTION / SUGGESTED MOTION / RECOMMENDATION

Not Applicable

Attachments:

[Proclamation - 2025 Buda's Birthday.pdf](#)