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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: July 23, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Kelly Thomas, Event Review Committee

ITEM TYPE: Special Event

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA

SUBJECT: BAM!Fest 2026

SUGGESTED ACTION: Event Review Committee recommends approval with the following stipulations: Sponsor to provide monitors for the vendor trailer check-in area, 9 Bradenton Police Department Extra Duty Officers, 1 Bradenton Police Department Extra Duty Supervisor, 20 Port-o-Lets onsite, 12 Public Works Extra Duty Staff and compliance of all COB Special Event Standards.

Is this item Quasi-Judicial?

No

Does this item require a public hearing?

No

EXPLANATION:

Realize Bradenton is requesting approval to host their 2nd annual BAM!Fest on March 28, 2026, at Riverwalk Park. They have an expectation of 8,000 attendees. The festival will feature art demonstrations and musical entertainment along the Riverwalk. They will offer food and alcohol drink options. Hours of event: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTORNEY REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION:

Motion to approve the Bam!Fest event with the stipulations recommended by

staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

[BAM!Fest 2026 Application and Site Plan](#)