



City Commission agenda item

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strategic objective Quality of life	

subject

26th Annual 4th of July Celebration

motion / recommendation

Approval of city staff to host the 26th Annual 4th of July Celebration on Monday, July 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, with safety precautions proposed below.

background

DATE: Monday, July 5 (July 4 falls on a Sunday)

TIME: 9 a.m. to noon

WHERE: Central Park & West Meadow (Park Ave closed from Canton to Morse)

RUN:

- 7 a.m. Track Shack Annual Watermelon Run is scheduled

STAGE PROGRAM (flexible):

- Welcome from Mayor and/or Commissioners
- Naturalization Ceremony
- Entertainment provided by:
 - Sean Holcomb
 - Bach Festival Brass Ensemble and Choir
 - Entire Ensemble (14 players). They are hoping by July to be able to have as many members possible.....they will be spread out on and around stage.

OTHER ACTIVITIES (flexible):

- Food giveaway (while supplies last)

- Staff in gloves and masks
 - bottled water
 - pre-package apple pies
 - watermelon slices pre-sliced
- Kids/Family Zone (West Meadow for larger space)
 - games to be determined

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

- ALL CDC guidelines would be followed
- The stage emcee will continually remind people about face coverings, social distancing and handwashing
- Face masks will be encouraged with extra masks to hand out on site
- Social-distancing easily achieved with Park Avenue closed and green spaces used for activities
- Pod system can be implemented for stage shows with extra seating on Park Avenue and Central Park
- Hand washing stations
- EMT stations

alternatives / other considerations

Two alternatives to consider:

1. Any element of this event can be removed/reduced/revised to meet the comfort level of the Commission. If there is a desire to host this 4th of July event in 2021, city staff can modify as needed.
2. Hold a virtual event similar to 2020: <https://vimeo.com/434685059>

fiscal impact

FY 2021 has \$16,500 budgeted for this event.