# **Truman Waterfront Amphitheater**



# **Background Research**



- 90+ Amphitheaters
- Management Styles
- Common Benchmarks
- Common Mistakes
- Best Management Practices
- New Innovations
- RFP's, Contracts, Budgets, Reports

- Active Management is Key
- Balance Events for Whole Community
- Strong Good Neighbor Policies:
  - Noise
  - o Trash
  - Traffic
  - Hotline

# **Potential Events!**

- Chinese Lantern Festival
- Haitian Food Festival
- Food Truck Festival
- Airforce National Guard
- Breast Cancer Events
- How to Train Your Dragon
- Cheerleading Competitions
- Community Celebrations
- 7days of Opening Nights
- Walking with Dinosaurs
- Custom Bike Shows
- Running Events
- Seafood Festival
- Florida Flow Fest
- Comedy Shows
- Pops in the Park
- Winter Festival

• Jazz Festival

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- Rib Fest
- Shop Locally
- Graduations
- Derby Day
- Rebelution
- Disney Live
- Beer Festivals
- Tribute Bands
- Shakespeare
- Wiggles
- Prom
- Weddings
- Pet Shows
- Auto shows

- Jam Sessions
- Sunrise Service
- Farmers Market
- Speaker Series
- Yoga
- Art in the Park
- SunFest
- IndiaFest
- IrishFest
- Key West Idol
- Touch a Truck
- Garlic Fest
- Ballets
- Christian Rock

- Hot Summer Nights
- Dora the Explorer
- Family Kids Shows
- Chile Cook Off
- Celebrity Dog Wash
- First Friday Gallery Hop
- Nightfall Series
- Daytime Family events
- Major Sports events
- Religious Services
- Motivational speakers
- Downtown Get Downs
- School Functions
- Sesame Street Live
- Old School Hip Hop
- Lunch on the Lawn

# Programming



- 3-4 National "Big Name" Acts
- 6-10 Medium / Local Acts
- 4-6 Signature Events (Taste of Key West, Songwriters, Goombay, Seafood, Headdress, etc.)
- 3-4 Specialty Shows (cars, motorcycles, boats, etc.)
- 12-24 Family Friendly Events (movies, plays, dance, graduation, etc.)
- 3-4 Travelling Theater Events
- <u>1-2 "Wallcast" Symphonies</u>

32-54 events annually (2-5 events per month)

#### Costs



- Core Staff (Manager, Operations, Finance, Marketing)
- Event Staff (Traffic control, Parking attendants, Ticket Sales, Will Call, Ticket Takers, Ushers, Security, Clean up, etc.)
- Talent ( $\sim 2/3$  of total costs of a show)
- Advertising
- Insurance

#### **Revenues**



- Facility Rental
- Ticket Sales
- Facility Maintenance Fees
- Food and Beverage Sales
- Premium Parking
- Merchandise Sales

- Sponsorships
- Lawn Chair Rental
- VIP Seating
- WiFi Access
- ATM Fees
- Grants

#### **Pro-Forma Assumptions**



• Facility Rental is a sliding scale, based on type of Event Sponsor:

None of Carolin	Event Size	# Attendees	Local Non Profit	Non Keys Non Profit	Local Private	Non Keys Private
	Small Event	<u>&lt;</u> 500	\$ 250	\$ 500	\$ 750	\$ 1,000
in.	Medium Event	501-1,000	\$ 500	\$ 750	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500
	Large Event	1,001-2,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 5,000
	Major Event	2,001+	\$ 3,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,000

## **Pro-Forma Assumptions**



- First Year programming frequency is low (21 events annually, 1.75 events per month)
- Attendance for Major events at 80% capacity (2,800 seats sold), and Medium/Large events at 1,000 attendees.
- Facility Maintenance Fees are \$3 or 10% per ticket, whichever is greater, not to exceed \$5.
- Parking rates are based on Mallory Square for Large to Medium events. Small events are based on normal parking rates.
- Food and Beverage sales for major events are based on 2016 Huey Lewis KeysStock.
- Events that necessitate extra effort will either contract out or reimburse the City.

# **Pro-Forma Expenses**

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ANNUAL EXPENSE ESTIMATE	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Staff</u>		Salary	B	enefits	 Total
Contracted Venue Manager							\$ 60,000
City Special Events Coordinator	50%	1	\$	45,000	\$	59 <i>,</i> 850	\$ 29,925
City Recreation Maintenance Manager	25%	1	\$	67,000	\$	89,110	\$ 22,278
City Grounds & Maintenance Staff	25%	3	\$	30,000	\$	39,900	\$ 29,925
Annual Maintenance/Equipment	20%	1	\$	20,000			\$ 4,000
SubTotal							\$ 146,128
Contingency	10%						\$ 14,613
		Tota	al An	nual Estim	nate	Expenses	\$ 160,740
Estimated Annual Expense							\$ 161,000
Event Police/Community Services Support re	eimbursed by pro	moter.					
Assume 33% increase for benefits							

#### **Pro-Forma Revenues**

Major Events (2,80	00 attendees)					
		Net	Percent	Total		
Food & Beverage	Huey Lewis actual	\$ 10,266	10%	\$ 1,027		
Parking	400 spots, \$4 for 4 hours	\$6,400	75%	\$ 4,800		
Tickets	2800 seats, \$45 tickets	\$ 126,000	0%	\$ -		
Facility Fees	2800 seats, \$4.50 fee	\$ 12,600	75%	\$ 9 <i>,</i> 450	# of events	
Facility Rental	Local Private Promoter	\$ 5,000	100%	\$ 5,000	3	
				\$ 20,277	\$ 60,830	)

Income: \$128,183

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\$ 128,000

Med/Large Events	(1,000 attendees)					
		Net	Percent	Total		
Food & Beverage	50% of Huey Lewis	\$ 5,129	10%	\$ 513		
Parking	250 spots, \$4 for 4 hours	\$ 4,000	75%	\$ 3,000		
Facility Fees	1,000 seats, \$3 fee	\$ 3,000	100%	\$ 3,000	# c	of events
Facility Rental	Local Non Profit	\$ 750	100%	\$ 750		8
				\$ 7,263	\$	58,103

Small Events (150 a	attendees)				
		Net	Percent	Total	
Food & Beverage	Kept by event holder	\$ -	0%	\$ -	
Parking	75 spots, \$3 for 3 hours	\$ 675	100%	\$ 675	
Tickets	Only 5 ticketed events, \$5	\$ 750	0%	\$ -	
Facility Rental	Local Non Profit	\$ 250	100%	\$ 250	10
				\$ 925	\$ 9,250



- 1. Adopt "Open Venue" Management
  - Available to all promoters, including locals.
- 2. Establish Rental Prices for Venue
  - Tiered pricing on attendance size, profit vs non profit, local vs outside promoter, etc.
  - Adopt lower than normal rental prices to attract new users during formative years.



#### 3. Contract a Venue Management firm via RFP

- Duties include soliciting & booking events, marketing, catering, sponsors, VIPs.
- Estimated to cost \$5,000/month (\$60,000 annually)

4. Create Special Events Coordinator position to oversee operational and financial interests.

• Quarterly Reports to City Management.



5. Pursue Sponsorship Funding and Naming Rights.

6. Establish an overall venue name that can be integrated with a sponsor's name.



7. Integrate Basic Grounds Maintenance into Community Services

- Better economy of scale for day to day efforts (landscaping, bathrooms, etc.)
- 8. Establish Stakeholders List and Point of Contact
  - For programming, marketing, concerns.

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9. Sch	edule a Sound Test	

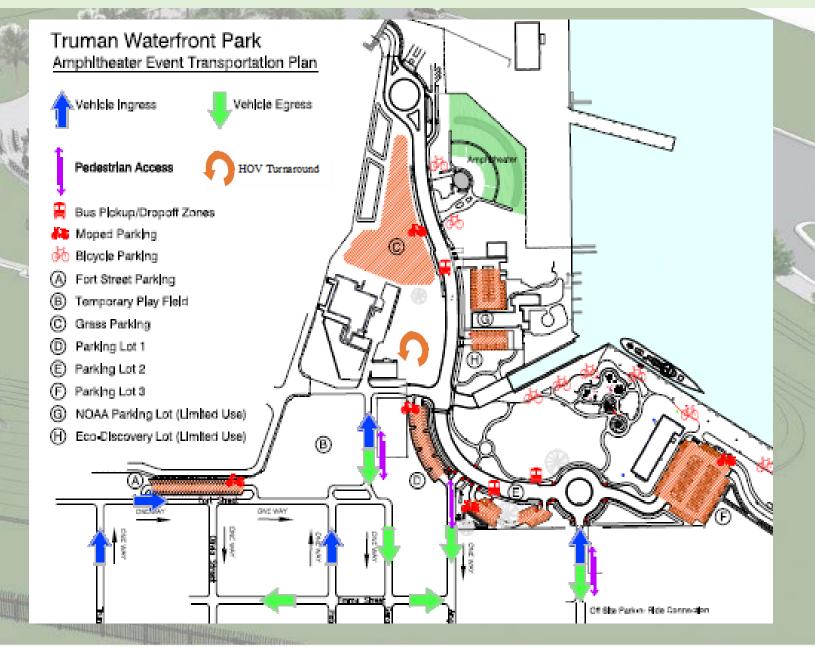
• Results will affect how many "Big Names" can perform

10. Amend Noise Ordinance to include HRCC-4.

	DB Range	SOUND
	20-30	Ticking watch, bedroom at night
2	30-40	Quiet whisper, library, rice Krispies in milk
	40-50	Refrigerator hum, speech
>^	50-60	Rainfall, quiet restaurant dining
	60-70	Sewing Machine, shower,
and a second	70-80	Washing Machine, electric shaver, TV average
2	80-90	Alarm Clock (2 ft. away) lawn mower, piano, symphony concert
1	90-100	Average traffic, electric drill, electric dryer, garbage disposal, Bulldozer, night clubs, many noise making children toys
_	100-110	MP3 players, snowmobile, motorcycles, helicopter take off
	110-120	Blow dryer, subway train, MP3 players, sirens, ambulance
	120-130	Power mower, chainsaw, firecracker, fire alarm
	130-140	Screaming Child
	120	Thunderclap
34	120-139	Sport events, Rock concert
175	130-140	Jackhammer, jet plane, gunshot
	160	Grenade
	170	Airbag
	180-190	Rocket Launch, Call of the Blue Whale

#### 11. Strong Transportation Plan

- Discourage driving (premium parking)
- Priority to pedestrians and bicyclists
- Separate ingress/egress
  for shuttle busses and
  high capacity rideshare
  companies.





12. Prioritize the Key West Experience

- Band experiences can make or break a new venue.
- We are not a primary market nor close to a tour route.







# **Thanks To:**

- The Greek Amphitheater
- Red Rocks Amphitheater
- PierSix Pavilion
- Tuscaloosa Amphitheater
- St Augustine Amphitheater
- Capital City Amphitheater
- Wellington Amphitheater
- Mizner Amphitheater
- City of Marathon
- Village of Islamorada
- Key West Art & Historical
- The Key West Theater
- Green Parrot Bar







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