



MEMORANDUM

Date: May 6, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Brian L. Barroso
City Manager

From: Kelli Funkhouser
Special Events Manager

Subject: **{File 25-3712} Recommendation to Approve the “6th Annual BBQ Rib Battle” on Sunday, August 31, 2025, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Ann Street**

Introduction

The City Manager’s Office requests the approval of the “6th Annual BBQ Rib Battle” on Sunday, August 31, 2025, starting at 11:30 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m.

Background

The City Manager’s Office has received an application from “the Greater Key West Chamber of Commerce” for the 6th Annual BBQ Rib Battle on Sunday, August 31, 2025, on Ann Street between Greene and Caroline. This annual event serves BBQ Ribs and sides which are not cooked on location, and serves beer, mixed drinks and non-alcoholic beverages for purchase at Shots & Giggles. Music is provided by a live remote from a local radio station. All proceeds benefit the Chamber’s various community programs such as a financial donation to FIRM, annual holiday decorating contest, prize money for various programs and allowing funds for the Holiday Parade, etc.

Procurement

There will be no additional expenses to the city as all service costs (Police/Fire/Community Services) are covered by the applicant, based on the Special Event Matrix.

Recommendation

The City Manager’s Office recommends the Mayor & City Commission approve the “6th Annual BBQ Rib Battle” on Sunday, August 31, 2025, on Ann Street.