

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 4, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Brian L. Barroso

City Manager

From: Kelli Funkhouser

Special Events Manager

Subject: {FILE ID: 25-3795} Recommendation to Approve the "Hemingway Days

Caribbean Street Fair" on Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00

p.m. on the 200-400 blocks of Duval Street

Introduction

The City Manager's Office requests the approval of the "Hemingway Days Caribbean Street Fair" on the 200-400 blocks of Duval Street on Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Background

The City Manager's Office has received an application from "Literacy Volunteers of America (LVA) – Monroe County, Inc. for the Hemingway Days Caribbean Street Fair on the 200-400 blocks of Duval Street. In celebration of Ernest Hemingway, this event is an open-air market featuring arts & crafts, food and drinks. 100% of proceeds go toward supporting their local literacy program, teaching reading, writing and English. The applicant has agreed to abide by City Codes and Ordinances, including providing insurance.

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 "Hemingway Days Caribbean Street Fair" on Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the 200-400 blocks of Duval Street.