MEMORANDUM

Date: February 11, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Brian L. Barroso
City Manager

CC: Marcus Davila
Director of Community Services

From: Kelli Funkhouser
Special Events Manager

Subject: **[File ID: 26-4957] Recommendation to approve "Finnegan's Wake Wake" on Sunday, March 15, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.**

Introduction

The City Manager's Office requests the approval of "Finnegan's Wake Wake" on Sunday, March 15, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on James Street.

Background

The City Manager's Office has received an application from "Dive Bar Shirt Club" for the 2nd Annual "Finnegan's Wake Wake" on Sunday, March 15, 2026. This event is keeping the Finnegan's Wake St. Patrick's Day party alive, honoring the original Finnegan's Wake Irish Bar. There will be an outside stage with live music, and Irish food for the day. The applicant has agreed to abide by City Codes and Ordinances, including providing insurance.

The applicant is requesting approval for the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages within the enclosed area.

Due to having amplified, live music, a noise exemption is requested. Notice of the City Commission's proposed action on a Noise Exemption was published in The Citizen and on KeysNews.com. Property owners within a 100-foot radius were mailed notice.

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 and Commission approve Finnegan's Wake Wake on Sunday, March 15, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.