City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

ACM: Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

DATE: June 3, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton granting the Denton Juneteenth Celebration Committee a three-year noise exception for the Denton Juneteenth Celebration to be held on June 20-22, 2025, June 19-21, 2026, and June 18-20, 2027, at Fred Moore Park; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

The Annual Denton Juneteenth Celebration is organized by a non-profit volunteer committee that serves to actively preserve and promote the broad spectrum of African American heritage through educational and cultural activities that benefit the community. This free festival will include food, vendors, a softball tournament, a live parade, Hometown Heroes Recognition, children's story time, children's games, and live music entertainment. Event organizers anticipate 3,300 in attendance over the course of the three days.

The Denton Juneteenth Celebration Committee is seeking an exception to the noise ordinance in sound levels from 70 to 75 dba, and a variance in hours of operation for amplified sound levels on June 20-22, 2025, June 19-21, 2026, and June 18-20, 2027, Friday from 10:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 p.m. to midnight at Fred Moore Park located at 501 S. Bradshaw Street.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval, as the event organizers have consistently demonstrated an ability to responsibly operate the Denton Juneteenth Celebration at Fred Moore Park at amplified sounds levels within the public interest and without materially disturbing persons of ordinary sensibilities in the immediate vicinity.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW

On May 25, 2022, City Council approved a three-year noise variance exception under ordinance 22-1081.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

N/A

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1- Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2- Ordinance

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