

#25-0843

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE**: September 16, 2025

TITLE: Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement and Related Road Closure

with Museum of Discovery and Science, Inc. for the MODS' 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration on October 17, 2025, at the Museum

of Discovery and Science - (Commission District 2)

## **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an outdoor event agreement and road closure request with Museum of Discovery and Science, Inc., in substantially the form attached, and authorize execution of the agreement by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee.

### **Background**

On June 30, 2025, Museum of Discovery and Science, Inc. submitted an outdoor event application for the MODS' 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration to be held at the Museum of Discovery and Science (401 SW 2 Street) on Friday, October 17, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The event began in 1996 and continues to be held annually. The application was submitted prior to the 90-day application deadline therefore the outdoor event application fee is \$200. The event impacts are limited to Friday, October 17, 2025, which includes the setup period, event period, and breakdown period.

The event organizer attended the July 30, 2025, outdoor events meeting to review the event details with City staff, including the Parks & Recreation Department, Transportation and Mobility Department, Police Department, and Fire Department. The outdoor events meetings focus on operational logistics, cross departmental coordination, and event organizer requirements.

The event organizer is requesting the following special permissions that require City Commission approval:

Road Closure – SW 4 Avenue between SW 2 Street and Broward Boulevard

City staff invited the surrounding civic associations to the outdoor events meeting as well as shared a copy of the application and site plan. Upon approval, the City's online events

calendar will be updated to reflect this event.

The event agreement defines the responsibilities of the event organizer such as covering the associated event expenses and the required certificates of insurance. The event organizer will also secure all other necessary permits and licenses that are required from other agencies. Authorization for the execution of the event agreement is contingent upon the City Attorney's Office reviewing and approving as to form all documents prior to execution by the City Manager or designee.

## **Resource Impact**

Revenue related to these agreements is included in the FY 2025 operating budget in the accounts listed below.

Funds available as of August 19, 2025					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	ACCOUNT / ACTIVITY NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-6025-574- 347-200-PKR029	Community Events	Charges for Service/ Nonsponsor Charges – Spec Event Fees	\$90,000	\$64,211.50	\$200
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$200

# Strategic Connections

This item supports the 2029 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

• The Public Places Focus Area, Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Here.

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Place specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Area
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our city.

### Attachment

Exhibit 1 – MODS' 29th Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration Event Agreement

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