



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

REVISED

#21-0189

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: February 16, 2021

TITLE: Motion Approving a Music Exemption for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.
to Host the Broward Center for Performing Arts Concert Series -
(Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a motion approving a music exemption for Broward Center for the Performing Arts concert series being held February 14, 2021 through April 25, 2021.

Background

On November 5, 2020, the City Commission approved an agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale for calendar year 2021 events held in the Riverwalk district (CAM 20-0811). The Broward Center for Performing Arts is hosting a weekend concert series within the Riverwalk district and has requested an exemption for music to be played until 11:00pm. Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has been approved by Broward County to operate events and has satisfied the guidelines outlined in Broward County Ordinance 20-23.

City staff has been working closely with the event organizers regarding event topics, such as logistics, maintenance, and security as detailed below. The Police Department recommends approval of the closing of the City streets where appropriate, and event parking has been satisfactorily arranged. When applicable, amplified music was discussed, and the event organizers were advised of the noise ordinance and possible concerns.

The organizers will pay for all event costs and submit the required certificates of insurance. The event organizers will also secure all other necessary permits and licenses that are required from other agencies. Civic and merchant associations have been notified, as appropriate, regarding events in their respective areas. Specific event details are included in each event application as attached.

Where applicable, the City Commission authorizes amplified music for the events listed below.

Event 1: Broward Center for the Performing Arts Concert Series

Applicant: Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.
Date/Time: Friday, February 13, 2021 (6:00 pm – 11:00 pm) – Sunday, April 25, 2021 (6:00pm – 11:00pm) *weekends only
Location: Broward Center for the Performing Arts Terrace/Backlot
Road Closing: No
Alcohol: No
Amplified Music: Yes - Tuesday, February 16, 2021 (6:00 pm – 11:00pm)*
Special Permission: Amplified Music/Extended Road Closure - Yes
Insurance Required: Yes
Banners: No
Pending Code Violations: No
Application Fee: \$0

****The event organizer has requested a special exemption for the weekend concert series to allow music for these events until 11:00pm from Saturday, February 13, 2021 through Sunday, April 25, 2021.**

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Building a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Offer a diverse range of recreational and educational programming

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – 2021 Riverwalk Agreement
Exhibit 2 – Broward Center for Performing Arts Concert Series Site Plan
Exhibit 3 – Riverwalk Covid Safety Plan
Exhibit 4 – Approval by Broward County for Riverwalk Events
Exhibit 5 – Broward Center for the Performing Arts Safety Plan
Exhibit 6 – Broward Center for the Performing Arts County Approval
[Exhibit 7 – Commission Memo 19-076](#)

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