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

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** June 16, 2026

**TITLE:** Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement and Request for Road Closures with AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Inc. for We the People on July 3, 2026, at Esplanade Park - **(Commission Districts 2 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an outdoor event agreement and request for road closures with AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Inc., in substantially the form attached, and authorize execution of the agreement by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee.

**Background**

On May 5, 2026, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Inc. submitted an outdoor event application for the We the People event. The We the People event previously took place in the same location in 2023. The application was submitted within the ninety (90)-day application deadline; therefore, the outdoor event application fee is \$1,000. The event impacts are limited to Friday, July 3, 2026, which includes the setup period, event period, and breakdown period.

The event organizer attended the May 27, 2026, outdoor events meeting to review the event details with City staff, including the Parks and Recreation Department, Public Works Department, Transportation and Mobility Department, Police Department, and Fire Department. The outdoor events meeting focuses on operational logistics, cross departmental coordination, and event organizer requirements.

This event organizer is requesting the following special permission requiring City Commission approval:

- Road Closures – SW 2 Street, SE 1 Avenue, West Las Olas Boulevard, and SW 1 Avenue

City staff invited the surrounding civic associations to the outdoor events meeting as well as shared a copy of the application and site plan. No representatives from the surrounding or affected civic associations were present at the meeting. Upon approval, the City's

online events calendar will be updated to reflect this event.

The event agreement outlines 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 this agreement is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Operating Budget in the account listed below.

<b>Funds available as of June 3, 2026</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>COST CENTER NAME (Program)</b>	<b>ACCOUNT / ACTIVITY NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-001-6025-574-347-200-PKR029	Community Events	Charges for Service/ Nonsponsor Charges – Spec Event Fees	\$30,000	\$38,353.50	\$1,000
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>					<b>\$1,000</b>

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a FY 2026 Commission Priority, advancing the Public Spaces and Cultural Initiatives.

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

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

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – We the People Event Agreement

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