



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#26-0363

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: May 5, 2026

TITLE: Motion Approving a Temporary Beach License and Outdoor Event Agreement with Florida Girls Giving Back, Inc. for the Florida Girls Giving Back Air Show Viewing Experience on May 9, 2026, at the Bonnet House Private Beach Area - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a temporary beach license and outdoor event agreement with Florida Girls Giving Back, Inc., in substantially the form attached, and authorize execution of the agreement by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee.

Background

On February 20, 2026, Florida Girls Giving Back, Inc. submitted an outdoor event application for the Florida Girls Giving Back Air Show Viewing Experience to be held at the Bonnet House Private Beach Area (the area of beach sand directly across from the Bonnet House). The event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 9, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This event began in 2022 and continues to be held annually. The application was submitted within the ninety (90)-day application deadline therefore the outdoor event application fee is \$1,000. The event impacts will begin on Thursday, May 7, 2026, and are scheduled to end on Monday, May 11, 2026, which includes the setup period, event period, and breakdown period.

The event organizers attended the March 18, 2026, outdoor events meetings to review the event details with City staff including the Parks and Recreation Department, Transportation and Mobility Department, Public Works Department, Police Department, and Fire Department. The outdoor events meeting focuses on operational logistics, cross departmental coordination, and event organizer requirements. The event organizer is not requesting any special permissions that require City Commission approval.

City staff invited the surrounding civic associations to the outdoor events meeting, as well as shared a copy of the application and site plan. The Central Beach Alliance is in support of the event application. Upon approval, the City's online events calendar will be updated to reflect this event.

The event agreement outlines the organizer’s responsibilities, including payment of all event-related expenses and submission of the required certificates of insurance. The agreement requires the organizer to pay \$2,500 for five (5) days of beach use (\$500 per day). The event organizer will also secure all other necessary permits and licenses that are required from other agencies. Execution of the agreement is contingent upon review and approval as to form by the City Attorney’s Office prior to signature by the City Manager or designee.

Resource Impact

Revenue related to this agreement, including the \$1,000 application fee and \$2,500 beach sand use fee, is included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Operating Budget in the account listed below.

<i>Funds available as of April 16, 2026</i>					
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	\$30,000	\$77,257.50	\$3,500
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$3,500

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 – Florida Girls Giving Back Air Show Viewing Experience Event Agreement

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