

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

**MEETING DATE:** 04/08/2024

**PREPARED BY:** Jason O'Mara, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation

**AGENDA CONTENT:** Discussion and possible action to waive fees for the Juneteenth Mass

Gatherings permit and authorize use of Bates Park pavilion.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Consent Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: NA FUNDS REQUESTED: NA

**FUND: NA** 

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Juneteenth Celebration Committee has submitted a Mass Gatherings Permit for their annual Juneteenth Celebration, scheduled for Thursday, June 19, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 8:30 PM. They have requested that the City of Angleton waive the associated permit fees and authorize the use of the Bates Park pavilion.

The event is expected to attract approximately 400–500 attendees and will feature a fish fry, local vendors, food vendors, moonwalks, and participation from the Fire Department. A DJ and live band will provide music from 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Additionally, a parade will begin at 3:00 PM at Pizza Hut and conclude at Bates Park. However, attendees typically begin arriving at the park as early as 11:00 AM.

Historically, the Parks Division has supported the event by providing additional trash cans, trash can liners, and staff assistance throughout the day. The City Manager has requested that City departments including Police, Public Works, Emergency Management, and Parks & Recreation continue to support the event by hosting informational booths and sharing important City related materials relevant to their respective areas.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend City Council waive fees for the Juneteenth Mass Gatherings permit and authorize the use of Bates Park pavilion.

## SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move we approve to waive fees for the Juneteenth Mass Gatherings permit and authorize use of Bates Park pavilion.