



Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Tourism Commission

Meeting Date: March 2, 2026

Item Title: Discuss and possibly take action regarding assisting with the Redbud Days event

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Detailed Description of Subject Matter:

At the previous meeting, there was a little discussion regarding revamping Redbud Days. Currently the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce hosts the event that consists of the Redbud Prince and Princess Pageant along with a redbud tree giveaway. The pageant takes place on the same weekend as the city-wide garage sales and the Odd Fellows host a food truck gathering in Fireman's Park.

The Chamber of Commerce will host the tree giveaway and pageant on Saturday, May 9, 2026. The Chamber has discussed improving the event and possibly collaborating with the Odd Fellows.

Any recommendations for "revamping" Redbud Days would have to be implemented in 2027 or 2028.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

Action Requested of the Tourism Commission:

Discussion, staff direction

Strategic Plan Objective(s):