

STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council MEETING DATE: February 4, 2025

FROM: Michael Daniels, AICP, Planning & Zoning Director

SUBJECT: Review and approval of a street closure request and fee waiver request for a Major Event,

Augusta Savage Cultural Arts Festival. Michael Daniels

BACKGROUND

Friends of Augusta Savage, a longstanding community group, has applied for a major special event, the Augusta Savage Cultural Arts Festival, to be held on Saturday February 15, 2025 from 11am to 4pm in Spring Park, providing a variety of vendors and activities. 300-500 guests are anticipated. There will be 10x10 canopy tents set up with approximately 5 feet between them and amplification will be in use.

As a co-sponsored event, the following is requested from the City for the event:

- 1 officer from 11am to 4pm on Saturday, February 15, 2025
- Barricades for road closures
- Waiver of park rental fees (\$875)
- Waiver of banner fee (\$25) Banner space from February 3 15
- Waiver of event permit fee (major \$500)
- Partial closure of Spring Street*
- Partial Closure of Ferris Street*
- Closure of St. Johns Avenue between Ferris and Spring

FISCAL IMPACT

The City pays employees to set up barricades for the event and pays for the officer to be present during the event. Application fees (special event, banner) and park reservation fees are waived due to this being a co-sponsored event.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve waiving the stated fees as well as the temporary closure of Spring Street, Ferris Street, and St. Johns Avenue as shown on the map for the Augusta Savage Cultural Arts Festival to be held on Saturday February 15, 2025.

^{*}See attached map showing where barricades are requested – partial road closures are from barricade to river.