



COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: June 8, 2026

TOPIC: Approval of Special Event – Dragon on the Lake

BACKGROUND BRIEF:

The Dragon on the Lake festival is an annual four-day community celebration hosted every August by Orion Art Center in Downtown Lake Orion. This signature event spans multiple blocks and features an Art and Craft Fair, Chalk Art Challenge, Dragon Boat Races, Dragon Pub, Tiki Bar, Kids Zone and Vendor Marketplace, and more. It serves as a vital community gathering that celebrates local history and brings residents and visitors together to support the Village.

The Orion Art Center organizes this milestone 17th annual festival primarily as its largest annual fundraiser, with all proceeds directly sustaining its year-round art classes, summer camps, exhibitions, and student scholarships. In addition to promoting local artists and vendors, the festival brings significant foot traffic and economic benefits to downtown businesses.

The event utilizes multiple Village properties and requires interdepartmental coordination to maintain regulatory compliance, traffic control, and public safety.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

To adopt Resolution No. 2026-014, approving the Dragon on the Lake Special Event Application and the License Agreement between the Village of Lake Orion and Stephanie McIntyre and Julie Sugg of the Orion Art Center for the use of various Village properties from Thursday, August 27, 2026, through Sunday, August 30, 2026 and to authorize the Village Council President and Village Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.