



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Type: City Council
Meeting Date: June 15, 2026
From: Patrick Depa, Senior Planner
Subject: Mountain Festival Approvals 2026: Exclusive Use of Meinig Memorial Park, Noise Exemption, and Road Closures

DECISIONS TO BE MADE:

- First: Whether to approve the exclusive use of Meinig Memorial Park for the annual Sandy Mountain Festival to host artisans, vendors, music, and festival food for the three-day event beginning Friday July 10, 2026, through Sunday July 12, 2026.
- Second: Whether to approve the temporary closure of multiple streets in support of the annual Sandy Mountain Festival parade to be held on July 9, 2026 - 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (see Exhibit B - Parade Street Closure Map).
- Third: Whether to approve a noise exception request to the Sandy Municipal Code for the live music scheduled to perform on the large and small stages in Meinig Memorial Park. The request applies to the three-day Sandy Mountain Festival running from Friday July 10, 2026, through Sunday July 12, 2026, the noise from the parade on July 9, 2026, and the Sandy Mountain Festival Car Show to be held at the Sandy Assembly of God Church at 39800 US Hwy 26 on Saturday July 11, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

APPLICABLE COUNCIL GOAL:

n/a

BACKGROUND / CONTEXT:

This exclusive park use and street closure request are routinely brought to the Council for approval each year. This is the first year the Sandy Mountain Festival Committee added the noise exemption request.

Parade Street Closures:

The Sandy Mountain Festival committee is requesting the following street closures for the 2026 Mountain Festival Parade to be held on July 9, 2026, - 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (see Exhibit B - Parade Street Closure Map).

The following streets are requested to be temporarily closed for the parade participants to line up and stage in preparation for the parade:

- Sunset Street Closed between Towle Dr. and Bluff Rd.
- Strawbridge Parkway between Tupper Rd. and Bluff Rd.
- University Ave. between HWY 26 and Sunset Street

The Sandy Mountain Festival committee will maintain a one-way open lane on the streets for residents and emergency vehicles. At or around 6:00 pm there will be the need to close Bluff Rd. between Sandy Heights Street and HWY 26 and as well as Wolf Dr. between McCormick Dr. and HWY 26. This will be for the start and the end of the parade. Clackamas County Sheriff's Cadets will be assisting with traffic control.

There will be two-way traffic on Proctor Blvd. for the duration of the parade.

Special Parking Street Closures:

On July 10, 11, and 12 the Sandy Mountain Festival committee requests to control the street parking on McCormick Ave. between Wolf Dr. and the entrance to Meinig Park as well as some parking spaces on Kimberly Ct. (see Exhibit C: Meinig Park Events Map). This area will be reserved for handicapped parking and parking for performers on the front and back stages in the park.

Loading Up Street Closure:

On July 12 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. the Sandy Mountain Festival committee requests to close Meinig Ave. between Barker Ct. and HWY 211. This closure will be for vendors to load up their items and exit the parking lot (see Exhibit C: Meinig Park Events Map).

Noise Exception:

The Sandy Mountain Festival committee is requesting a noise exception request to begin at 9:00 a.m. and go until 10:00 p.m. each day, Friday July 10 through the close of the festival on July 12, the noise from the parade on July 9, 2026 (see Exhibit D: Noise Exemption Application), and the Sandy Mountain Festival Car Show to be held at the Sandy Assembly of God Church at 39800 US Hwy 26 on Saturday July 11, 2026 from 9am-2pm.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS / ANALYSIS:

Proposed Street Closures:

The relevant code section for street closures is below:

[Sec. 12.02.030. - Jurisdiction and management of the public rights-of-way.](#)

The City has jurisdiction and exercises regulatory management over all rights-of-way within the City under authority of the City charter and state law. With respect to this particular closure, while Public Works generally administers road closures, it is City policy to bring all road closures in the downtown core to the City Council for ultimate approval. There are no criteria in the Sandy Municipal Code for the Council to apply in considering downtown road closures.

Noise Exception:

The relevant code sections for noise are below:

[Section 8.20.020.A.](#) states: No person may make, assist in making, continue or cause to be made any loud, disturbing or unnecessary noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, safety or peace of others.

However, upon application to the Council, permits may be granted to responsible persons or organizations for the broadcast or amplification of programs of music, news, speeches or general entertainment as a part of a national, state or city event, public festivals, or outstanding events of a noncommercial nature.

There are no criteria in the Sandy Municipal Code for the Council to apply in considering noise exceptions.

BUDGET IMPACT:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

Grant the request of the Sandy Mountain Festival committee for the exclusive use of Meinig Memorial Park during the 2026 Sandy Mountain Festival from July 10 through July 12 and the associated street closures reserved for handicap parking and for the loading and unloading of the special event performers.

Grant the street closures for the parade on July 9 from 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. as detailed on Exhibit B - Parade Street Closure Map.

Approve the "Noise Exception" request regarding amplified music at the Sandy Mountain Festival between July 10, 2026, and July 12, 2026, noise from the parade on July 9, 2026, noise at the Sandy Mountain Festival Car Show to be held at the Sandy Assembly of God Church at 39800 US Hwy 26 on Saturday July 11, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SUGGESTED MOTION LANGUAGE:

"I move to grant the requests submitted by the Sandy Mountain Festival Committee for exclusive use of Meinig Park during the 2026 Sandy Mountain Festival, the street closures as detailed in Exhibit B and C, and to approve the noise exception for amplified music in Meinig Park between July 10, 2026, and July 12, 2026, for noise from the parade on July 9, 2026, and for noise from the Sandy Mountain Festival Car Show to be held at the Sandy Assembly of God Church on Saturday July 11, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. as detailed in the meeting packet.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS / EXHIBITS:

- Exhibit A: Sandy Mountain Festival Formal Request Letter
- Exhibit B: Parade Street Closure Map
- Exhibit C: Meinig Park Events Street Closure Map
- Exhibit D: Noise Exemption Application