



FAIRFAX TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE	May 1, 2024
PREPARED FOR	Mayor and Town Council
PREPARED BY	Christine Foster, Deputy Town Clerk
SUBJECT	Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Certain Streets for the Fairfax Festival and Parade on June 8 and 9, 2024, and approve sponsorship of the closure.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the resolution authorizing the temporary closure of certain streets for the Fairfax Festival and Parade on June 8 and 9, 2024, and approve sponsorship of the temporary closure.

DISCUSSION

The Annual Fairfax Festival and accompanying Town Parade necessitate the temporary closure of specific streets to ensure the safety of all participants and to manage traffic effectively. These measures are in accordance with Vehicle Code section 21101(e), which permits such closures for public celebrations and parades when deemed necessary by the Town for safety and protection. The streets identified for closure have been selected to minimize disruption while ensuring the events proceed safely and smoothly.

The following streets or sections thereof are proposed for closure:

- Center Boulevard, from 720 to the West end.
- Broadway, from Center west to Merwin, including intersections of Pacheco, Claus, and Bank Street at Broadway, and Sir Francis Drake Boulevard.
- Bolinas Road, between Broadway and Park; Park, between Bolinas and Merwin.
- All of Merwin.
- Portions of Elsie, between Bolinas Road and the Pavilion Parking Lot.
- A portion of Mono Avenue West of Bolinas for bicycle parking.
- The Pavilion Parking lot, or a portion thereof, is reserved for Festival vendors.

By sponsoring the temporary road closures, the Town will cover these minimal costs.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact includes a minimal loss of permit fees and staff time associated with organizing and managing the street closures. Fund raising booths that sell beer and wine share a lesser portion of their proceeds with the Town to off-set significant additional policing and public works staff time needed for the Fairfax Festival. Fundraising booths choose which prices to offer beer and wine for sale.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FAIRFAX
AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS AND PORTIONS THEREOF, AND
THE CLOSURE OF THE PAVILION PARKING LOT TO THE PUBLIC, TO ALLOW A PARADE ON
JUNE 8, 2024 AND A TOWN FESTIVAL, INCLUDING AN ECO-FEST, ON JUNE 8 AND 9, 2024**

WHEREAS, the Annual Fairfax Town Parade is scheduled to be held on June 8, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Fairfax Festival, incorporating an Eco-Fest, is planned for June 8 and 9, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Vehicle Code section 21101(e) empowers the temporary closure of public streets for celebrations and parades when, in the opinion of the Town, such closure is essential for the safety and protection of persons partaking in events on those streets; and

WHEREAS, the temporary closure of specified streets is necessary to safely facilitate the Parade and for efficient traffic management during the Festival; and the Town thus intends to close said streets in accordance with Vehicle Code section 21101(e);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax, that the following streets or portions thereof are to be temporarily closed on June 8 and 9, 2024:

- Center Boulevard from 720 to the West end.
- Broadway from Center west to Merwin, including the intersections of Pacheco, Claus, and Bank Street at Broadway and Sir Francis Drake Boulevard.
- Bolinas Road between Broadway and Park; Park between Bolinas and Merwin.
- All of Merwin.
- Portions of Elsie between Bolinas Road and the Pavilion Parking Lot.
- A portion of Mono Avenue West of Bolinas for bicycle parking.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a portion of the Pavilion Parking Lot shall be reserved for Festival vendors, as determined by the Fairfax Chief of Police.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council approves the sponsorship of the temporary street closures, covering the associated minimal costs.

The foregoing Resolution was duly introduced and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Fairfax on the 1st day of May 2024, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Barbara Coler, Mayor

Attest:

Christine Foster, Deputy Town Clerk