



## Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

---

**File #:** 26-0195

**Agenda Date:** 2/26/2026

**Item #:**

---

**TO:** Development Services Management Group  
**FROM:** Allie Behrman, CPRP, Special Events Manager  
**THROUGH:** Terrence R. Moore, ICMA-CM  
**DATE:** February 26, 2026

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE** : RECOMMENDATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES MANAGEMENT GROUP OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, TO THE CITY COMMISSION FOR AN IMPACT EVENT KNOWN AS "EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE" TO BE HELD ON APRIL 5, 2026, IN THE PAVILION AT ATLANTIC AND A1A, BETWEEN EAST ATLANTIC AVENUE AND MIRAMAR DRIVE.

**Recommended Action:**

The Development Services Management Group (DSMG) is asked to make a recommendation to the City Commission regarding the Impact Event known as Easter Sunrise Service to be held on Sunday, April 5, 2026. This event is deemed an Impact Event due to a requested closure of the major roadway of State Road A1A between East Atlantic Avenue and Miramar Drive.

**Background:**

Cason Church submitted a Special Event Application on January 23, 2026, for the event Easter Sunrise Service to be held at the pavilion at Atlantic Avenue and A1A and also on A1A between Atlantic Avenue and Miramar Drive on Sunday, April 5, 2026. Anticipated attendance is 450 participants for the Easter Sunrise Service. The church has been holding this service for over 50 years. The service will be attended by both residents and tourists. The service will take place at the pavilion and in the roadway. This event has taken place every year and most recently on Easter Sunday of 2025 without issue. However the event in 2024 did violate the permit by having speakers and attendees on the beach. Cason church was warned of the violation and will be reminded of this to make sure it does not happen again in the future. The road will be closed from 4am - 8am and the event will take place from 6:30am - 7:30am.

**Special Events Technical Advisory Committee (SETAC) Review:**

SETAC reviewed and recommended approval of the event.

No special conditions beyond the standard permits were recommended by SETAC.

**Funding Source/Financial Impact:**

Cason is considered a Non-Profit Entity under the Special Event Policy, the City will waive 50% of the City's soft costs for the event.

**Timing of Request:**

This event is quickly approaching and it must go to commission for final approval.

