

RESOLUTION NO. 221-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN IMPACT EVENT KNOWN AS THE 62ND ANNUAL DELRAY AFFAIR TO BE HELD APRIL 12 THROUGH 14, 2024; AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF ATLANTIC AVENUE AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Delray Beach recognizes the importance of special events and the opportunities they provide to promote community welfare, improve the quality of life of residents and visitors, build a sense of community, provide enriched cultural opportunities, draw visitors to the City and contribute to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Delray Beach Special Event Policy defines “impact events” as special events that require City Commission approval as a result of certain characteristics such as their potential to significantly disrupt the regular function of the area of the City in which they will be held, their potential to attract more than 3,500 people, or their need to close one or more major roadways in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Delray Beach, Florida received a Special Event Application (the “Application”) from the Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce seeking approval for the 62nd Annual Delray Affair to be held April 12 through 14, 2024 (the “Event”),

WHEREAS, the Event anticipates attendance over three days of 110,000 people and closure of portions of Atlantic Avenue and Swinton Avenue in the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the Application requests the closure of Atlantic Avenue from NW/SW 2nd Avenue to NE/SE 5th Avenue, and Swinton Avenue from Atlantic Avenue to NE 1st Street for the Event; and

WHEREAS, the Application was reviewed and approved by the City’s Special Event Technical Advisory Committee at their May 11, 2023 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed and considered the impacts of the number of anticipated attendees and the requested major road closures for the City of the 62nd Annual Delray Affair.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The City Commission approves the impact event known as the 62nd Annual Delray Affair to be held on April 12-14, 2024, finding that it provides sufficient public benefits and is consistent with the City’s Special Event Policy.

Section 3. The City Commission approves the following road closures from April 12 through 14, 2024 for the 62nd Annual Delray Affair:

(a) Atlantic Avenue from NW/SW 2nd Avenue to NE/SE 5th Avenue; and

(b) Swinton Avenue from Atlantic Avenue to NW 1st Street.

Section 4. The City Commission authorizes the City Manager to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session on the ____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

Shelly Petrolia, Mayor

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney