ITEM # 18a-e DATE: 01-23-18

## **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:** MAIN STREET CULTURAL DISTRICT REQUESTS FOR ART WALK

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Main Street Cultural District (MSCD) is hosting its annual Art Walk on Friday, June 1, 2018. In order to facilitate this event, MSCD has requested approval for the following:

- Waiver of parking meter fees and enforcement in the MSCD from 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to provide free parking to participants (\$358.20 loss to the Parking Fund)
- Blanket Temporary Obstruction Permit for the Main Street Cultural District from 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Blanket Vending Permit for Main Street Cultural District from 3:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and waiver of fee (\$50 loss to City Clerk's Office)
- Closure of two metered parking spaces in the Main Street Cultural District
- Use of electricity in Tom Evans Plaza and use of the Plaza for live music.

Youth and Shelter Services will offer art-related kid activities in conjunction with Art Walk, MSCD has requested the closure of the 400 block of Kellogg Avenue to facilitate this activity.

### **ALTERNATIVES**:

- 1. Approve the Art Walk requests as submitted by the MSCD for June 1, 2018, including the waiver of fees.
- 2. Approve the requests as submitted by MSCD, but require reimbursement for lost parking revenue and for the blanket Vending Permit.
- 3. Deny the requests.

#### MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Art Walk is a popular annual event that adds vitality to the Downtown. The event organizers have experience in hosting this and many other similar events throughout the year.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the Art Walk requests as submitted by the MSCD for June 1, 2018, including the waiver of fees.



December 6, 2017

Honorable Mayor Campbell and City Council Ames City Hall 515 Clark Avenue Ames, IA 50010

RE: ArtWalk

Dear Honorable Mayor Campbell and City Council,

The Main Street Cultural District is planning to hold the annual ArtWalk on June 1, 2018, 5-8pm. Information about the event can be found on the Special Event Application we submitted. We would also request a waiver of fees for the Blanket Vendor Permit, electricity, and parking meters.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and continued support of the Main Street Cultural District. We look forward to seeing you on June 1, in downtown Ames.

Sincerely,

Cindy Hicks Executive Director Main Street Cultural District

# **SUMMARY OF EVENT**

#### DESCRIPTION

Event Name ArtWalk 2017

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The annual ArtWalk is a great event that showcases downtown businesses and our community artists. This event is free of charge to the community and runs from 5 to 8 pm on Friday, June 1, 2018.

- 1. More than 60 local artists will be hosted by Main Street Cultural District businesses, both inside and outside on the sidewalk.
- 2. Artists include painters, jewelry makers, photographers, woodworkers, potters, sculptors, musicians, and much more.
- 3. A self-guided walking tour brochure will be provided to participants.
- 5. Some artists will be performing demonstrations, others will be selling their artwork, there will be interactive art activities for adults and children.
- 6. Food vendors or restaurant owners using Sidewalk Cafe permits will be spread throughout Main Street.
- 7. Youth and Shelter Services will offer art-related kid activities in conjunction with our event and will need the 400 block of Kellogg barricaded off.

Event Category	Athletic/Recreation Exhibits/Misc. Festival/Celebration Parade/Procession/M	Concert/Performa Farmer/Outdoor M Other (please exp	1arket		
Anticipated Attendance	Total <u>4,000</u>	Per Day <u>1</u>	_		
DATE/TIME					
Event Starts Event Ends	Date 6/1/18 Date 6/1/18 Date 6/1/18 Date 6/1/18	Time 3:00 pm Time 5:00 pm Time 8:00 pm Time 8:30 pm	Day of Week Day of Week Day of Week Day of Week	Friday Friday	
Rain Date, if applicable Rain Location, if applicable					

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## **LOCATION**

Region	✓ Main Street Cultural District (Downtown)			
(Select one or	more) 🔲 Ca	mpustown District		
	lov	va State University Property		
	☐ Cit	y Parks		
	☐ Otl	ner (please explain)		
A letter of suppo		om CAA if the event occurs in Campus	parks, or on ISU property require prior approvals. town or from MSCD if the event occurs in Downtown.	
Downtown - Maiı	n Street Cultural Dis	strict: (515) 233-3472	events@amesdowntown.org	
Campustown - Campustown Action A			director@amescampustown.com	
owa State Unive	ersity - Events Autho	orization Committee: (515) 294-1437	eventauthorization@iastate.edu	
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Host Orga	anization	M : 01 10 11 15:1:1		
		Main Street Cultural District		
Local Contact (Required)		Name: Cindy Hicks		
must be pre	esent during event	Address: 304 Main Street	<del>-</del>	
		Telephone: (515 ) 233-3472		
		Cell phone: (316) 871-0837	be available by cell phone during event	
		Email: events@amesdowntown.		
		to the event, Organizer must subr	nit Emergency Contact List, including assigned to each.	
Yes No				
✓ Is	s this an annual e	vent? How many years have you be	een holding this event?22	
Is this event open to the public?				
Is your event being held in conjunction with another event (e.g. Farmers' Market, 4th of July, etc.)?				
If	yes, please list			

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