

FACT SHEET

TITLE

DATE

ORIGINATING
DEPARTMENT

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE EXECUTION OF A
COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR
AGREEMENT WITH RHO OMEGA
AND FRIENDS, INC, AND TO
OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH
RESPECT THERETO.

June 7, 2022

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PURPOSE

To authorize the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Rho Omega and Friends, INC relative to the City's co-sponsorship and participation in the Annual Let the Good Times Roll Festival.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Rho Omega and Friends, INC present the Let The Good Times Roll Festival every year on Juneteenth weekend celebrating the culture, music, art, fashion, and unity of the African American community in our area. Bringing you a weekend full of Local, Regional, and National music artist entertaining more than 25,000 patrons every year. This weekend highlights the growth of the community and provides funding for the youth mentoring program Omega Lamplighters. It is one of, if not, the largest Juneteenth festival in the country. They are celebrating the 35th anniversary of the festival this year. This event draws visitors from all over the region and has a substantial economic impact on our community.

FINANCES - \$16,500

TIMETABLE

Introduction: June 14, 2022

Final Passage: June 28, 2022

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS:

None

DISCUSSION

None

ALTERNATIVE

1. Adopt the resolution as presented
 2. Amend the resolution
 3. Deny the resolution
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CONCLUSION:

Alternative Number 1 is recommended

FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:

Shelly Ragle, SPAR

RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH RHO OMEGA AND FRIENDS, INC, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Rho Omega and Friends, INC, a duly organized non-profit organization together with the City of Shreveport will host the 35th Annual Let the Good Times Roll Festival in Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the event is an opportunity for citizens of the City of Shreveport to enjoy quality of life events and programs that celebrate the historic Juneteenth weekend; and

WHEREAS, the event celebrates the culture, music, art, fashion, and unity of the African American community in our region; and

WHEREAS, persons residing in and around Shreveport are the primary beneficiaries of the efforts made by Rho Omega and Friends, INC during their Let the Good Times Roll Festival; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of Rho Omega provides a benefit to the public and serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport will serve as the co-sponsor of the annual Let the Good Times Roll Festival.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Rho Omega and Friends, INC; substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolution or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office