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TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Councilman Julián Castro, District 7; Councilman Joel Williams, District 2; Councilman Art A. Hall, District 8

COPIES TO: J. Rolando Bono, Interim City Manager; Leticia Vacek, City Clerk; Martha Sepeda, Acting City Attorney; Malcolm Matthews, Director of Parks & Recreation Dept.; File

SUBJECT: Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Month Celebration, HemisFair Park Fee Waiver

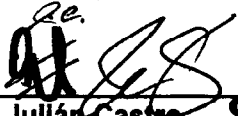
DATE: April 11, 2005


I request your support in approving a waiver for The Buffalo Soldiers Living History & Heritage Association regarding the City ordinance on HemisFair Park usage fees for the duration of this five-day event.


Each year, the City of San Antonio has proclaimed July as 'Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Month'. This year will mark the 5th Anniversary of the Celebration at HemisFair Park. All events associated with this celebration are free and open to the public.


The goal of the association and the celebration is to educate the general public to the little known history of the Buffalo Soldier and other Ethnic groups of the late 1800's in Texas.

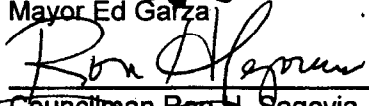
I respectfully request adding this item to the April 21, 2005 City Council Agenda. Your favorable consideration of this matter is appreciated.



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**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Buffalo Soldiers Living History & Heritage Association Event and Fee Waiver

DATE: May 5, 2005

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance will waive usage fees incurred by the Buffalo Soldiers Living History and Heritage Association connected to the Heritage Month celebration on weekends in July 2005, for use of the HemisFair Park as directed through a Council Consideration Request (CCR) memorandum sponsored by City Council Members Julian Castro, District 7; Joel Williams, District 2; and, Art Hall, District 8.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

City Council Members Julian Castro, District 7; Joel Williams, District 2; and, Art Hall, District 8 have submitted a Council Consideration Request (CCR) memorandum to waive park usage fees incurred by the Buffalo Soldiers Living History and Heritage Association for the use of HemisFair Park on weekends in July 2005. Each year, the City of San Antonio has proclaimed July as "Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Month". This year will mark the 5th anniversary of the celebration at HemisFair Park. There will be no admission fees.

The Buffalo Soldiers Living History and Heritage Association, Inc. has requested a fee waiver of usage fees in connection with the use of HemisFair Park. With the information provided by the organization, the following costs are anticipated:

- Rental Fees to be waived: \$210/per day x 10 = \$2,100.00
- Deposit: \$1,500.00 to be paid by Association (refundable)
- Liability Insurance through City's TULIP program: \$175.00
Or may provide their own certificate of liability insurance
- Security is required to be hired by the Association at the ratio of two officers per every 200 people. The officers must be certified peace officers in uniform.
- If electrical set-up is needed, Association must hire its own electrician, with work supervised by Parks and Recreation staff electrician.

POLICY ANALYSIS


The City Council Governance Committee will review this proposed action on Wednesday, May 4, 2005. Staff has reviewed this request in order to assess the financial impact of this event.

FISCAL IMPACT

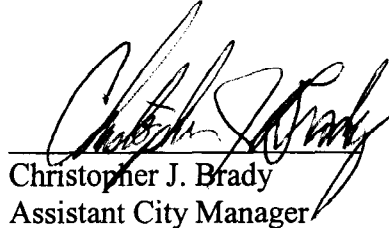
The total lost revenue to the General Fund will be \$2,100.00.

COORDINATION

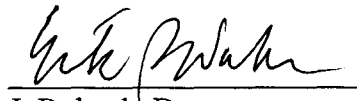
This item has been coordinated with the Office of Management and Budget.



Malcolm Matthews
Director of Parks and Recreation



Christopher J. Brady
Assistant City Manager

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J. Rolando Bono
Interim City Manager