



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

July 15, 2025

Present: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 25-00629

RE: Consider recommendations regarding a fee waiver request for the use of the Courthouse Sunken Gardens for the Old Spanish Days' Fiesta Celebration from July 26, 2025 - August 3, 2025, First District, as follows:

- a) Pursuant to Santa Barbara County Code Section 26-5, authorize the Community Services Director to waive site use, set up, and break down fees for use of the Historic Santa Barbara County Courthouse Sunken Gardens by Old Spanish Days in Santa Barbara, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization, for the Fiesta Celebration from July 26, 2025 to August 3, 2025 (Total of 9 Calendar Days), in the amount of \$6,600.00;
- b) Request that the Old Spanish Days in Santa Barbara, Inc. publicly acknowledge the County's assistance in making the facilities available for the event;
- c) Authorize the Community Service Director to approve fee waivers for the next three Old Spanish Days events, through August 2028, given there is no substantial change to the event format; and
- d) Determine that the above recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15323, which consists of the normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed where there is a part history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose.

A motion was made by Supervisor Nelson, seconded by Supervisor Lee, that this matter be acted on as follows:

- a) Authorized;
- b) Approved;
- c) Authorized; and
- d) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino