

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 FOR THE CITY OF BROOKHAVEN PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF THE CITY OF BROOKHAVEN CHARTER, APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT OF \$130,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE MARQUEE EVENTS DEPARTMENT FOR THE CHERRY BLOSSOM SUMMER BLOCK PARTY; ALLOWING THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES AS NECESSARY, AND PROHIBITING EXPENDITURES FROM EXCEEDING ACTUAL FUNDING SOURCES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Chapter 36, Section 81, Subsection 3, requires that each local government adopt a balanced budget for all required funds; and

WHEREAS, the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Chapter 36, Section 81, Subsection 3, Paragraph (d) allows a local government to amend its budget to adapt to changing governmental needs during the budget period; and

WHEREAS, the Cherry Blossom Festival has been designated as a Brookhaven Marquee Event celebrating music and arts as long-established and treasured parts of the Brookhaven lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, the Festival was cancelled in both 2020 and 2021 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and it is the City's desire to launch a one-time Marquee event to recognize the resilience of Brookhaven's citizens and businesses and the unity shown throughout this devastating period; and

WHEREAS, the City would like to increase the currently available budget in the City Marquee Events Department by \$130,000 in anticipation of estimated revenue to be received from sponsorships and/or vendor sales agreements, and use the funds for a Cherry Blossom Summer Block Party; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of community events that will support and strengthen the restaurant and food services industry, that, per the National Restaurant Association April 2020 report has suffered over 8 million employee layoffs and a loss of over \$8 billion in sales nationwide; and

WHEREAS, industry analysis reports potential global music industry losses in excess of \$100 billion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brookhaven takes great pride in presenting and hosting festivals that bring together our community, and seeks to take a decisive first step in leading the metropolitan region out of this difficult and costly pandemic; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that public music events not only build a feeling of community pride and unity, but support the businesses so hard-hit by the economic downturn of 2020-21; and

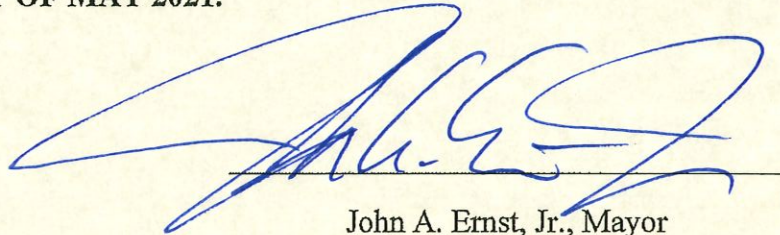
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WHEREAS, the City of Brookhaven maintains balanced budgets, such that anticipated funding sources equal or exceed the proposed expenditures.

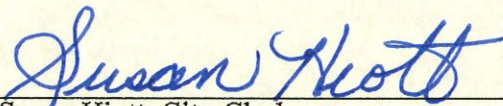
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOKHAVEN HEREBY ORDAINS, AS FOLLOWS:

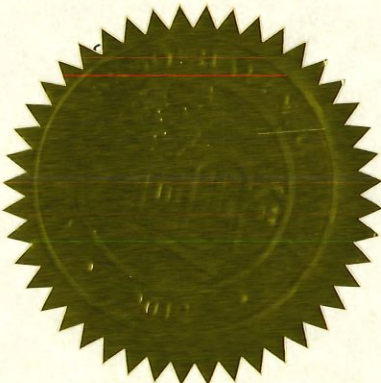
1. The amendment of the budget of the City of Brookhaven as described above is hereby approved.
2. The City Council authorizes the City Manager or his designee to take any action necessary to complete this ordinance.
3. Should any section of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the resolution as a whole or any part thereof which is not specifically declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

SO, ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOKHAVEN, THIS 4th DAY OF MAY 2021.

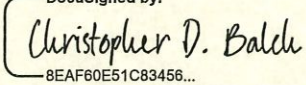


John A. Ernst, Jr., Mayor

Attest: 
Susan Hiott, City Clerk



Approved as to form:

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Christopher D. Balch, City Attorney