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City Clerk

City of Detroit
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Andre P. Gilbert II
Deputy City Clerk

DEPARTMENT PETITION REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: Janice M Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk

The following petition is herewith referred to you for report and recommendation to the City Council.

In accordance with that body's directive, kindly return the same with your report in duplicate within four (4) weeks.

Petition No.	2024-110
Name of Petitioner	Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc.
Description of Petition	Please see request to hold "Detroit Greek Independence Day Parade" Submitted by the Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc., located at Greektown on April 14 th , from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Set-up to begin April 14 th 7:00 AM complete by 12:00PM with tear-down to begin April 14 th at 6:00PM complete by 7:00 PM.
Type of Petition	Special Event
Submission Date	3/27/24
Concerned Departments	Media Services, Buildings & Safety Engineering, Police Department, Fire Department, Municipal Parking Department, Transportation Department, Health Department; General Services Department,
Petitioner Contact	Thomas Christy Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc. 248-910-8662 tchristy@greekparades.com

2 Woodward Ave. Coleman A. Young Municipal Center Rm. 200, Detroit, MI 48226

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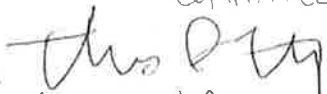
City of Detroit Special Events Application Authorizations

AUTHORIZATION & AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT

I certify that the information contained in the foregoing application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief that I have read, understood and agreed to abide by the rules and regulations governing the proposed special event, and I understand that this application is made subject to the rules and regulations established by the Mayor or the Mayor's designee. Applicant agrees to comply with all other requirements of the City, County, State, and Federal Government and any other applicable entity, which may pertain to special events. I further agree to abide by these rules, and further certify that I agree to be financially responsible for any costs and fees that may be incurred by or on behalf of the event to the City of Detroit.

DETROIT GREEN INDEPENDENCE DAY
COMMITTEE, INC.

Applicant Signature:

By: 
Its: Authorized Representative

Date: 8 March 2024

NOTE: Completion of this form does not constitute approval of your event. Pending review by the Special Events Management Team, you will be notified of any requirements, fees, and/or restrictions pertaining to your event.

HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION


The Applicant agrees to indemnify and hold the City of Detroit (which includes its agencies, officers, elected officials, appointed officials and employees) harmless from and against injury, loss, damage or liability (or any claims in respect of the foregoing including claims for personal injury and death, damage to property, and reasonable outside attorney's fees) arising from activities associated with this permit, except to the extent attributable to the gross negligence or intentional act or omission of the City.

Applicant affirms that Applicant has read and understands the Hold Harmless and Indemnification provision and agrees to the terms expressed therein.

Event Name: Detroit Green Independence Day Parade

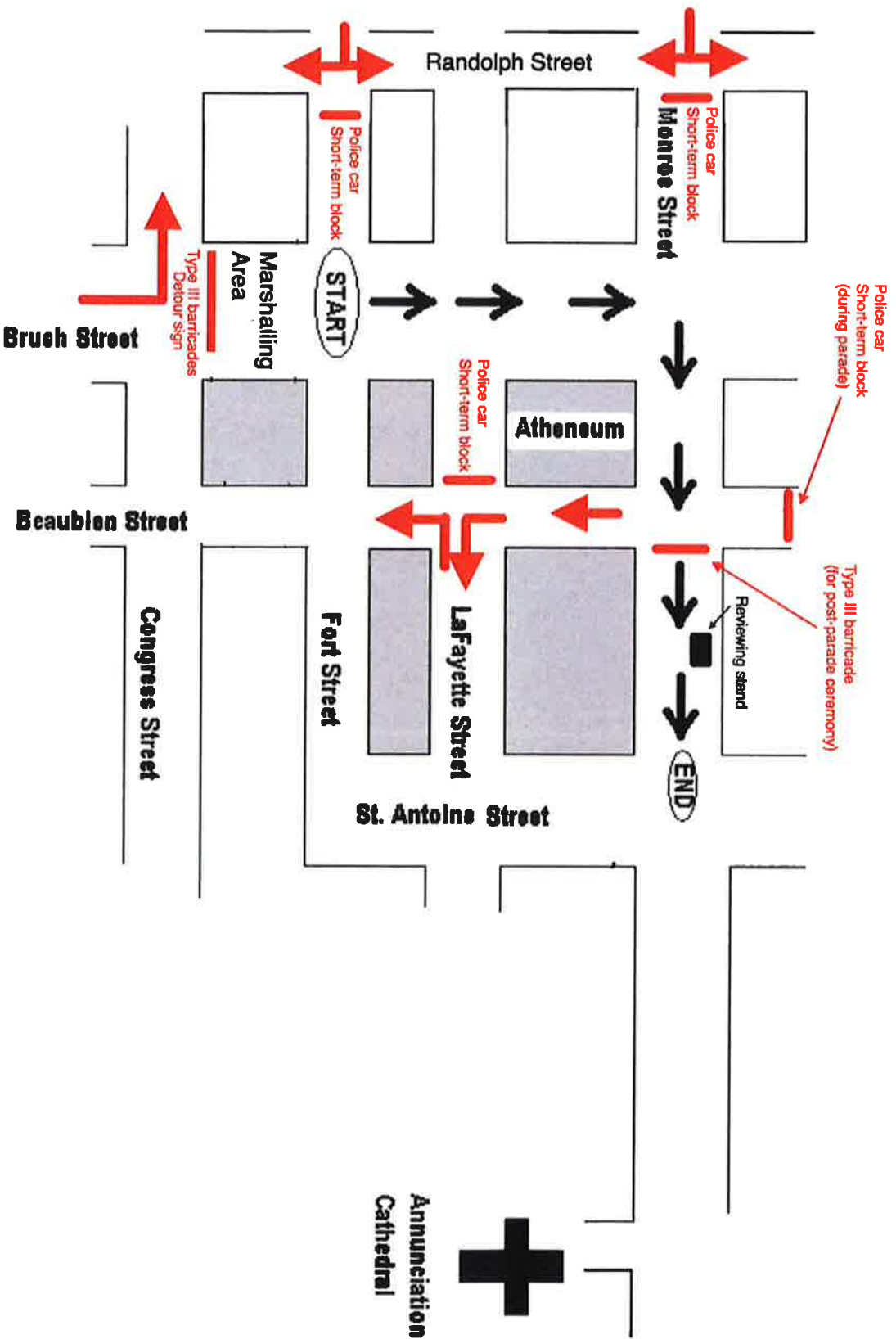
Event Date: 14 April 2024

Event Organizer: DETROIT GREEN INDEPENDENCE
DAY COMMITTEE, INC

Applicant Signature: By: 
Its: Authorized Representative

Date: 8 March 2024

2024 Detroit Greek Independence Day Parade modified route



STREET CLOSING PROPOSAL GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

A proposal to close certain streets on Sunday, April 14, 2024, in and around Greektown for a parade celebrating Greek Independence Day.

Submitted by the Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc. with the support of the Greektown Merchants Association

Background

The American Revolution in 1776 was an inspiration to the Greek people, who were living under foreign domination. On March 25, 1821, Greek independence was declared, re-establishing freedom and democracy in Greece. March 25 is commemorated as Independence Day in Greece much like July 4 is commemorated as Independence Day in the United States.

In 2002, Detroit's Greek-American community held its first annual parade celebrating Greek Independence Day, joining nine other cities across North America with similar parades. The event has been an overwhelming success, with over 5,000 people attending in recent years. The Greektown merchants, who actively support the event, see their restaurants filled to capacity every year.

The Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, a non-profit corporation, plans to hold a parade again in 2024, similar to recent years. The committee will sponsor the event with the cooperation of the Greektown Preservation Society (f/k/a Greektown Merchants Association) and proposes to hold the parade on **Sunday, April 14, 2024.**

Proposed street closing

In order to hold the parade, the committee requests that the City of Detroit close several streets on Sunday, April 14, 2024. The parade is planned to progress from 3:00–4:00 p.m. Certain areas will need to be closed longer to accommodate marshaling, the reviewing stand, and post-parade ceremonies. The committee requests the following street closings; a map is attached. **The proposed closings are different this year because of preparations for the NFL draft, but this route was formerly used in 2002 and 2003:**

—Marshaling area: Closed from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Brush Street from Congress to Fort.

—Parade route: Closed from 1:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Brush Street from Fort to Monroe
Monroe Street from Brush to St. Antoine

—Post-parade ceremony area: Closed from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Monroe from Beaubien to St. Antoine

In addition, the committee requests that the city **prohibit parking** on parade day, **Sunday, April 14, 2024**, on the parade route.

Thank you for your consideration.

Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee

67 East Kirby
Detroit, Michigan 48202

March 6, 2024

Dear Neighbor:

This year's Detroit Greek Independence Day Parade will occur on **Sunday, April 14, 2024**. We have applied to the City of Detroit to close parts of Brush Street and Monroe Street on that day. Please note that, because of temporary structures related to the NFL draft, **the parade route will be different this year** to avoid these. The city has asked us to notify you of the planned closings. The closings for the parade are as follows:

—Marshaling area: Closed from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Brush Street from Congress to Fort

—Parade route: Closed from 2:45 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Brush Street from Fort to Monroe
Monroe Street from Brush to St. Antoine

—Post-parade ceremony area: Closed from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.
Monroe from Beaubien to St. Antoine

We wish to thank the Greektown merchants and other area merchants for their continued support of the parade. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone (248-910-8662) or by e-mail at tchristy@greekparades.com.

Very truly yours,

Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc.

Thomas P. Christy
Legal Counsel

Name	Address
Atheneum Suite Hotel	1000 Brush St.
Cottage Inn Pizza	107 Monroe
AT&T Store	111 Monroe
Orchard Thai	115 Monroe
Mr. Kabob Xpress Grille	119 Monroe
Starbucks	1200 St Antoine
Greektown Hotel	1200 St Antoine
Hot Sam's Quality Clothes	127 Monroe
City Slicker Shoes	300 Monroe
Acropolis Bakery & Grocery, Inc.	310 Monroe
Ham Shop	330 Monroe
Old Shillelagh	349 Monroe
Delux Cocktail Lounge	350 Monroe
DivDat Kiosk Network	400 Monroe
Embarco	400 Monroe
Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Café	400 Monroe
Sports Mania Detroit	400 Monroe
M & S Sundries	400 Monroe
International Center	400 Monroe
Firebird Tavern	419 Monroe
Second Baptist Church of Detroit	441 Monroe
Underground Railroad Reading S	461 Monroe
Bonnie's Sundry Plus	47 Monroe
Tim Horton's	49 Monroe
Five Guys	508 Monroe
Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory	510 Monroe
Coldstone Creamery	510 Monroe
Pappy's Sports Bar and Grill	517 Monroe
Golden Fleece/Exodos	525 Monroe
Eat-N-Out Pizza & Gelato	531 Monroe
Level Two Bar & Rooftop	535 Monroe
The Greek	535 Monroe
Astoria Pastry Shop	541 Monroe
New Parthenon Restaurant	547 Monroe
Pizza Papalis Taverna	553 Monroe
Greektown Casino	555 E. Lafayette
Pegasus Taverna	558 Monroe
Monroe Street Café	561 Monroe
Wahlburgers	569 Monroe
Red Smoke BBQ	573 Monroe
Athens Liquor Store/Grocery	579 Monroe
St. Mary's Catholic Church	646 Monroe
Heritage Optical Center	87 Monroe
Ezeli Hair Salon	89 Monroe
Huntington Bank	91 Monroe
Jimmy John's	95 Monroe
DMC Family Medicine Center	97 Monroe
Occupant	1045 Brush St.

Buffalo Wild Wings
Occupant
Occupant
Occupant
Occupant
Occupant
Occupant

1218 Randolph
123 Monroe
45 Monroe
500 Monroe
501 Monroe
514 Monroe
527 Monroe

Special route 2024
Pizza Cat Max
Jacoby's
Atheneum Hotel

407 E Fort St
624 Brush St
1000 Brush St

2024 DETROIT GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE EVENT CLEAN-UP PLAN

Waste services offered: Public receptacles have proven more than adequate for waste needs at past events.

Contamination: Not applicable.

Types of waste expected: The parade committee does not distribute any items other than small, handheld American and Greek flags, which are rarely discarded. Accordingly, waste generated from the official event will be minimal. From experience at past parades since 2021, additional waste brought by spectators and participants is minimal.

Signage: Other than No-Parking signs posted by the police department or parking department, no signs are used.

Clean-up plan: At the end of the parade, the marshalling team always walks the parade route and picks up any waste obviously generated by parade-goers. The team also removes the No-Parking signs.

2024 DETROIT GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

1. Security incident

Detroit Police will be present throughout the route.

If a security incident occurs, the first marshal to become aware of the incident should notify the rest of the marshalling team by radio. Any marshal nearby a police officer should then notify the police to respond to the incident. The head marshal should notify the parade president by cell phone and should confirm with the head of the police tactical operations unit that a response is underway.

2. Medical emergency

Hart EMS will have an ambulance on standby. The driver's cell phone number will be printed with the marshal materials. If a medical incident occurs, the first marshal to become aware of the incident should notify the rest of the marshaling team by radio and should call the EMS driver by cell phone. Any marshals near the ambulance who become aware by radio should also approach the ambulance driver and notify him/her in person.

3. Severe storm or tornado

If under a severe thunderstorm watch or tornado watch, parade leadership should consider cancelling event.

If we decide to proceed with event despite a weather watch (e.g. because the parade is already in progress or because the storms do not seem imminent), the

head marshal should notify all members of the marshalling team and other parade leadership to be prepared to respond. The head marshal should monitor for warnings regularly.

If a warning is issued and storms are clearly headed towards Greektown or if lightning is observed, the head marshal and the DGIDC president should halt the event immediately and communicate this to all members of the marshalling team by radio. The marshals should evacuate all gathered on parade route and all marchers to shelter in nearby public buildings.

Potential shelter sites include: Atheneum Hotel (first floor, away from windows, and avoid atrium); Greektown Casino (first floor, away from windows, and avoid Trapper's Alley); Greektown restaurants (away from windows); and Old County Building (if open).

CITY OF DETROIT, OFFICE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SPECIAL EVENTS PETITION

Petition No: 2024-110

Event Name: Detroit Greek Independence Day Parade

Event Status: In Review- Relevant Departments (Step 3 of 6)

Petitioner Name / Organization: Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc.

Event Location: Greektown

Event Date(s) and Time(s): 04/14/24 3:00 PM to 04/14/24 5:00 PM

Type of Event: Parade

Applicant Contact:
Thomas Christy
tchristy@greekparades.com
+1 (248) 910-8662

Submission Date:	03/11/24 1
Date of Clerk's Office Referral:	03/27/24
Date of City Departments Sign Off:	
Date Referred to Council:	

Department Approvals

DPD	DFD	EMS	GSD	DDOT	MPD	DPW	DHD
Pending DPD Review	Pending DFD Review	Pending EMS Review		Pending DDOT Review			

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Review

Mayor's Office Special Events Signature: _____

Date: _____

General Event Information

Has this event been hosted before? Yes

Has the applicant (individual or organization) ever applied for a Special Event with the City of Detroit before? Yes

Is this an annual event? Yes

Event Website: detroit.greekparades.com

Which spaces will be used? Street

Will this event include the use or sale of marijuana? No

Event Description

Brief Event Purpose & Description:

Parade celebrating Greek Independence Day. An additional explanation is attached.

Estimated Peak Attendance: 5000

Estimated Total Attendance: 5000

Is this a public event? Yes

Will there be ticket sales or admission charged? No

Does this event use Hart Plaza? No

Will there be merchandise sold? No

Will you be taking donations? No

Is this a charity event? No

Does this event involve campers, tents and/or RVs? No

Will this event involve a petting zoo or tattoo art (not including temporary tattoos)? No

Contact Information

Organization / Petitioner Name: Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc.

Mailing Address: 67 Kirby

Detroit MI 48202

Primary Contact:	Secondary Contact:
Thomas Christy	
tchristy@greekparades.com	

Organization Type: Nonprofit

Organization Website: detroit.greekparades.com

Event Setup & Breakdown

Begin Setup: 04/14/24 7:00 AM

Complete Setup: 04/14/24 12:00 PM

Setup Location(s): Monroe between Beaubien & St. Antoine; Brush between Congress and

Event Start: 04/14/24 3:00 PM

Event End: 04/14/24 5:00 PM

Begin Tear Down: 04/14/24 6:00 PM

Complete Tear Down: 04/14/24 7:00 PM

Number of Trash Containers: 0 Number of Recycling Containers: 0

Cleaning Service Vendor: N/A

Other Waste Elements: N/A

Street Closures & Parking

How many streets will be closed: 2

Will you be closing any part of Woodward Avenue? No

Street Closures (if there are 1-4 closed streets):

1. Monroe 04/14/24

Brush to St. Antoine 1:00 PM 5:00 PM

2. Brush 04/14/24

Congress to Monroe 12:00 PM 4:00 PM

3. _____

4. _____

Will you charge attendees for parking? No

Valet parking or blocking metered parking spaces? Blocking metered parking spaces

Describe the parking plan to accommodate anticipated attendance:

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Greektown and public parking have been sufficient to handle parking in past years.

Food & Beverage

Will food be served? No

Will food be prepared on site? _____

Number of food trucks: _____ Number of non-truck food vendors: _____

Food & Beverage (cont.)

Will any type of alcohol be served (including beer)? No

Will there be sales, service and/or consumption of alcohol in public at the event? _____

What type(s) of alcohol will be served? _____

Day(s) and time(s) alcohol will be served: _____

Will ice be used in any served beverages? No

Stages, Tents, & Structures

Is a stage being built? Yes

How many stages will be used? 1

Do any of the stages have a canopy? Yes

Number of tents 10' x 10' and smaller: 0

Number of tents larger than 10' x 10': 0

Tent Contractor: _____

What other structures will your event include? N/A

Will your event use any grills? No

What kind of grills? _____

Utilities & Portable Restrooms

Event Utilities that will be used: Utility Power

How will generators be fueled? _____

Generator contractor: _____

Will additional wiring be installed? No

Does the event require access to a hydrant? No

Will there be amplified sound? Yes

Will a sound system be used? Yes

Will you be providing Port-a-johns? No

Security & Emergency Plans

Will the event have a security contractor? No

Security Contractor: _____

Number of private personnel per shift: _____

Which of these apply to the private security personnel? _____

Will you contract emergency medical services? Yes

Name of emergency medical services contractor: Hart EMS

Does this event include fireworks? No

Day(s) and time(s) of fireworks: _____

Fireworks vendor: _____

Attachments

<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant Signature Page (required)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Event Clean Up Plan (required)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Security Plan (500 or less attendees)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Response Plan & Medical Procedures (500+ attendees)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communication and Community Impact Plan (500+ attendees)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining of Traffic Plan (1000+ attendees or if closing a street)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Build and Breakdown Schedule (if you are erecting any structures)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Site Map Plan (if event involves any temporary elements including tents)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Medical Contractor Agreement (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Barricades Provider Agreement (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Security Contractor Agreement (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Port-a-john Contractor Agreement (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sanitation Contractor Agreement (if applicable)

City Council Member: _____

Resolved, The Mayor's Office is hereby authorized and directed to issue permits to Detroit Greek Independence Day Committee, Inc. to host "Detroit Greek Independence Day Parade" (2024-110) on April 14, 2024 from 3:00 PM -5:00 PM.

PROVIDED, that there will be DPD Assisted Event; and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be DFD Pending Inspections; Contracted with Private EMS to Provide Services; and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be BSEED Permits Required for Tents, Generators and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be DPW Type III Barricades & Road Closure Signage Required; and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be Municipal Parking No Parking Signs Required; and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be a Business License Required obtained following City Council approval; and be it further

PROVIDED, that all necessary permits must be obtained prior to the event. If permits are not obtained, departments can enforce closure of event.