

City of Detroit

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City Clerk

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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.	2025-206
Name of Petitioner	PAXAHAU INC
Description of Petition	Petition request to hold "2026 MOVEMENT ELECTRONIC MUSIC FESTIVAL" on May 22, 2026 from 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM on May 25, 2026 at Hart Plaza. Set-up will begin on May 13, 2026 at 8:00 AM and be completed by 11:00 PM on May 21, 2026. Tear down will begin on May 25, 2026 at 11:00 PM and be completed by 8:00 AM on May 27, 2026.
Type of Petition	Special Events
Submission Date	07/31/25
Concerned Departments	Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department (BSEED), Department of Public Works (DPW), Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT), Detroit Fire Department (DFD), General Services Department (GSD), Media Services Department, Municipal Parking Department, Police Department (DPD)
Petitioner Contact	Sam Fotias PAXAHAU INC 1551 Rosa Parks Blvd. Suite A Detroit, MI 48216 P: (586) 596-9463 sam@paxahau.com

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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.

Applicant Signature:



Date: 7/31/2025

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: 2026 Movement Festival

Event Date: May 22, 23, 24 & 25
2026

Event Organizer: Paxahau

Applicant Signature:



Date: 7/31/2025



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 FESTIVAL '25

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05-18-2025
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2026 Movement Electronic Music Festival

Cleaning & Waste Management Plan

Dates: Memorial Day Weekend – May 23–25, 2026

Location: Hart Plaza, Detroit, MI

Produced by: Paxahau

Overview

The Movement Festival is committed to maintaining a clean, safe, and sustainable environment throughout the duration of the event. This comprehensive Cleaning & Waste Management Plan outlines responsibilities and resources for all phases of the event: **load-in, show days, and load-out**, while emphasizing environmental responsibility and interagency cooperation.

1. Janitorial & Sanitation Operations

Lead Contractor: Universal – In-House Janitorial Team

Universal will deploy a dedicated janitorial and sanitation crew to manage all waste and cleaning duties during each phase of the event:

A. Load-In (May 13–22)

- Daily sweeps of Hart Plaza to clear construction debris, packaging, and miscellaneous waste
- Placement of dumpsters and roll-offs in strategic zones
- Maintenance of service areas, portable toilets, and crew sanitation stations

B. Show Days (May 23–25)

- Continuous trash collection in all high-traffic and hospitality areas
- Restroom monitoring, restocking, and deep cleaning (ADA, VIP, backstage, public)
- Overnight deep cleaning after each show day
- Emergency response teams for spills and high-volume waste surges
- Monitoring and restocking of handwash stations and hygiene units

C. Load-Out (May 26–30)

- Comprehensive sweep of the site to remove all trash, wood, staging remnants, fencing debris, etc.
 - Final restroom services and removal of portable units
 - Dumpster rotation and lot clearing
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2. City & Civic Support – Load-Out Partnership

To ensure an expedited and thorough clean-up during the **critical load-out phase**, the Movement Festival will coordinate with:

Detroit Grand Prix Team

- Coordination of site handoff timing and shared cleanup targets
- Joint removal of trash and bulk waste along shared service corridors

Clean Downtown & City of Detroit Blight Staff

- Augmented manpower during May 26–30
- Litter patrol and bulk item removal in pedestrian and outer zones
- Support for rapid clearance of staging lanes and vendor service areas

This collaboration ensures Hart Plaza and its surroundings are fully cleared and restored before Grand Prix preparations intensify.

3. Recycling & Sustainability Program

Paxahau continues its long-standing commitment to minimizing landfill impact through an **aggressive, structured recycling program** in partnership with **Schupan**.

Recycling Highlights

- Placement of **over 100 clearly marked recycling containers** across Hart Plaza, targeting:
 - Public walkways
 - Food courts and beverage areas
 - Artist and production compounds

- VIP zones
- On-site **materials sorting facility** operated by Schupan to process:
 - Cardboard
 - Plastics (PET, HDPE, LDPE)
 - Aluminum
 - Pallets and clean wood
 - Select glass and metals
- Back-of-house education for vendors and staff on separation of recyclables
- Periodic recycling reports and audit from Schupan post-event

This effort reflects Movement’s priority to **divert as much material as possible from landfill**, educate attendees on sustainability, and ensure Hart Plaza is treated with care and respect.

Conclusion

The 2026 Movement Electronic Music Festival will maintain high standards of cleanliness, public safety, and environmental responsibility through:

- **Universal’s full-service janitorial operation**
- **Strategic load-out collaboration** with the Grand Prix, Clean Downtown, and Detroit Blight Team
- **A robust, high-visibility recycling initiative** powered by Schupan

These coordinated efforts ensure that Hart Plaza remains clean, operationally sound, and environmentally conscious before, during, and after the festival weekend.

OPERATIONS

SECURITY

- On-site Security - ProStarCam Security
 - Contact - Mike Whittaker - mike@prostarcams.com - 734-323-1679
- Executive Protection - DEPS
 - Contact - Chuck Lauber - lauber.chuck@gmail.com - 734-777-7058

On-site Security Radio Channel – SECURITY

On-site Security has a command post located in a 40' Unified Command Trailer in the Operations Compound.

Security Briefings happen daily at 10am in the Unified Command Trailer in the Operations Compound

****The liaison for all external communications is Sam Fotias, Operations Director.**

Sam Fotias - 586-596-9463 – sam@paxahau.com**

- Off-Site Security - DPS TACOPS

Off-site Security Radio Channel - SECURITY

Movement is extremely fortunate to enjoy a robust relationship with all municipal and federal agencies in the area. These include Detroit Police, State Police, Border Patrol, Coast Guard, Homeland Security, Detroit Fire Department

MEDICAL

- On-site Medical - Hart Medical
 - Contact – Adam Gotlieb – adam@hartems.com - 248-789-5646

On-site Security Radio Channel - **SECURITY**

If an incident necessitates off site transport, they will be transported to DETROIT RECEIVING HOSPITAL

FESTIVAL OPERATIONS

Festival Operations Paxahau – Sam Fotias – sam@paxahau.com - 586-596-9463

Radio Channel - **OPERATIONS**

Festival Operations Office is located in the Ford Auditorium Drive on the east side of Hart Plaza

FESTIVAL PRODUCTION

Festival Production Contact – Michael Fotias - foton@paxahau.com - 248-912-8989

Radio Channel – **PRODUCTION** Festival Production Office is located in the Ford Auditorium Drive on the east side of Hart Plaza

CITY OF DETROIT, OFFICE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SPECIAL EVENTS PETITION

Petition No: _____

Event Name: 2026 MOVEMENT ELECTRONIC MUSIC FESTIVAL

Event Status: In Review- Clerk's Office (Step 2 of 6)

Petitioner Name / Organization: PAXAHAU INC

Event Location: HART PLAZA

Event Date(s) and Time(s): 05/22/26 2:00 PM to 05/25/26 11:00 PM

Type of Event: Concert/Performance, Festival

Applicant Contact:
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sam@paxahau.com
+1 (586) 596-9463

Submission Date:	06/02/25 9
Date of Clerk's Office Referral:	7/31/25
Date of City Departments Sign Off:	7/30/25
Date Referred to Council:	8/4/25

Department Approvals

DPD	DFD	EMS	GSD	DDOT	MPD	DPW	DHD
DPD Reviewed-Ready for Council	DFD Reviewed-Ready for Council	EMS Reviewed-Ready for Council	GSD Reviewed-Ready for Council	DDOT Approval Not Required	MPD Approval Not Required	DPW Approval Not Required	DHD Reviewed-Ready for Council

BSEED
BSEED Reviewed-Ready for Council

Mayor's Office Special Events Signature: *Gakeima Fife*

Date: August 4, 2025

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: WWW.MOVEMENT.US

Which spaces will be used? Park

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

Event Description

Brief Event Purpose & Description:

THE 20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF MOVEMENT IN 2026! A YEARLY CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC STARTED HERE IN DETROIT, TECHNO.

2026 WILL BE A VERY SPECIAL YEAR AS WE CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF MOVEMENT IN DETROIT!

Estimated Peak Attendance: 25000

Estimated Total Attendance: 100,000 (25,000 EACH DAY OVER THR

Is this a public event? Yes

Will there be ticket sales or admission charged? Yes

Does this event use Hart Plaza? _____

Will there be merchandise sold? Yes

Will you be taking donations? No

Is this a charity event? No

Does this event involve campers, tents and/or RVs? _____

Will this event involve a petting zoo or tattoo art (not including temporary tattoos)? _____

Contact Information

Organization / Petitioner Name: PAXAHAU INC

Mailing Address: 1551 ROSA PARKS BLVD SUITE A

DETROIT MI 48216

Primary Contact:	Secondary Contact:
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sam@paxahau.com	JOE@PAXAHAU.COM
	+1 (313) 402-7880

Organization Type: Corporation

Organization Website: WWW.PAXAHAU.COM

Event Setup & Breakdown

Begin Setup: 05/13/26 8:00 AM

Complete Setup: 05/21/26 11:00 PM

Setup Location(s): HART PLAZA AND HUUNTIGTON PLACE PLAZA

Event Start: 05/22/26 2:00 PM

Event End: 05/25/26 11:00 PM

Begin Tear Down: 05/25/26 11:00 PM

Complete Tear Down: 05/27/26 8:00 AM

Number of Trash Containers: 200 Number of Recycling Containers: 200

Cleaning Service Vendor: IN HOUSE JANITORIAL AT HART PLAZA AND CLEAN DOWNTOWN

Other Waste Elements: ALL OF THE ABOVE

Street Closures & Parking

How many streets will be closed: 0

Will you be closing any part of Woodward Avenue? _____

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

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Will you charge attendees for parking? No

Valet parking or blocking metered parking spaces? Neither

Describe the parking plan to accommodate anticipated attendance:

USE OF ALL OF OUR MARKETING CHANNELS INFORMING ATTENDEES OF AVAILABLE OPTIONS
IN THE AREA

Food & Beverage

Will food be served? Yes

Will food be prepared on site? Yes

Number of food trucks: 16 Number of non-truck food vendors: 10

Food & Beverage (cont.)

Will any type of alcohol be served (including beer)? Yes

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

What type(s) of alcohol will be served? Wine, Liquor, Beer

Day(s) and time(s) alcohol will be served: ALL FOUR DAYS FROM 2 PM UNTIL 11PM

Will ice be used in any served beverages? Yes

Stages, Tents, & Structures

Is a stage being built? Yes

How many stages will be used? 6

Do any of the stages have a canopy? Yes

Number of tents 10' x 10' and smaller: 20

Number of tents larger than 10' x 10': 20

Tent Contractor: KNIGHT TENTS

What other structures will your event include? VIP AND ADA VIEWING DECKS

Will your event use any grills? Yes

What kind of grills? PROPANE

Utilities & Portable Restrooms

Event Utilities that will be used: Generators

How will generators be fueled? VIA OUR FUEL CONTRACTOR - CHAPP OIL

Generator contractor: MICHIGAN CAT

Will additional wiring be installed? Yes

Does the event require access to a hydrant? Yes

Will there be amplified sound? Yes

Will a sound system be used? Yes

Will you be providing Port-a-johns? Yes

City Council Member: _____

Resolved, The Mayor's Office is hereby authorized and directed to issue permits to Paxahau Inc to host "2026 Movement Electronic Music Festival" (2025-206) on May 22, 2026 to May 25,2026 from 2:00 PM -11:00 PM at Hart Plaza.

PROVIDED, that there will be DPD Assisted Event with Contracted Private Security; 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 Stages, Tents, Generators, et al temporary structures and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be Health Department inspections and licenses; and be it further

PROVIDED, that there will be Liquor License permits be required; and it be 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.