



City Council Agenda Item #[3.B]

Title: Action approving Road Closures for 4th of July, Stars and Stripes -
Maria Lopez, Main Street Coordinator

Date: June 15, 2026

From: Maria Lopez, Mainstreet Coordinator

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the approval of road closures for the Stars & Stripes Patriotic Celebration in Historic Downtown Freeport on Saturday, July 4, 2026. This free community event celebrates Independence Day and America's 250th anniversary while highlighting our Historic Downtown and designated Main Street District in accordance with the Main Street Four Point Approach. The event serves as a quality-of-life initiative for residents and visitors and promotes community engagement within Downtown Freeport.

Item Summary: The requested road closures on Saturday, July 4, 2026, for the Stars & Stripes Patriotic Celebration, hosted by Freeport Main Street, include the following:

July 4 Road Closures:

Full event (6 locations): W Park (Southbound) at 4th St, E Park (Northbound) at 4th St, W Broad at W Park, E Broad at the Alley midway between E Park and Pine, E Park and W Park Avenues at 2nd St, with a temporary barricade on E 2nd St for the Parade.

Temporary locations (Bike / Ride Parade – as marked in yellow “X” on diagram): E 4th St at E Park Ave, Cherry St at 4th, Oak St at 4th (diagonal to block Northbound Oak St and Eastbound 4th St traffic or 2 barricades to the same effect), W Broad at Oak St (west side of Oak), W 2th St at Oak St (west side of Oak), W 1st St at Oak St (west side of Oak), W Brazos Blvd at Oak St (west side of Oak), E Brazos Blvd at Cherry St (east side of Cherry), E 2nd St at E Park Ave (east of E Park).

Background Information:

The Stars & Stripes Patriotic Celebration will be held on July 4, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM in Historic Downtown Freeport, located at 311 E. Park Avenue. The event will feature a live DJ, vendors, family-friendly activities, contests, daytime fireworks, photo opportunities, and the Red, White & Ride Patriotic Parade. The celebration will also include the America 250 Traveling Exhibit at the Freeport Historical Museum and other activities. The event is designed



to bring residents and visitors together while promoting Downtown Freeport as a vibrant destination.

Special Considerations: Event activities and the parade route will remain within the Downtown Main Street District. Coordination will occur with Public Works, Police, Fire, and other City departments to ensure safe implementation of road closures, traffic control measures, and pedestrian safety. Since the main event will take place on W. Park and E. Park Avenue, we request approval for temporary restricted parking in the area, except for residents who live there. This will help accommodate event vendors, food trucks, and activities taking place along these streets. Notification will be provided to affected businesses and residents before the event.

Financial Impact: All event-related expenses will be covered through the Main Street & Museum events budget and event sponsorships.

Board or 3rd Party Recommendation: The Main Street Advisory Board supports the Stars & Stripes Patriotic Celebration as a community engagement initiative that promotes Downtown Freeport and celebrates America's 250th anniversary.

Supporting Documentation:

1. Stars & Stripes Freeport Main Flyer
2. 4thofJuly-Road Closures