



Staff Report

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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Tom Andersen, Councilor, Ward 2

SUBJECT:

Waiver of Proposed Menorah Display Special Use Fee

Ward(s): 1

Councilor(s): Andersen

Neighborhood(s): CANDO

MOTION:

I move that Council waive the \$1,179 (\$131/day for 9 days) Special Use Fee for the proposed Menorah display on the Civic Center open space located on the southeast corner of Commercial Street SE and Trade Street SE.

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:

Chabad Jewish Center of Salem has applied for a permit to install a Menorah display on the Civic Center open space located on the southeast corner of Commercial Street SE and Trade Street SE. The Menorah will be displayed through Hanukah, which this year runs from December 24th through January 1st. The City's Facility Use Permit Fees require a \$20 Permit Processing Fee and \$131/day Special Use Fee for placement of the display on Civic Center open space area.

I believe that charging the Special Use Fee for nine days is excessive given that the impact to the site will be de minimus with no permanent effect on the open space site.

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