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| Committee: Parks Rec and Forestry Board | Date: 3/17/2025 |
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| Common Council Agenda Item Number: Click here to enter text. | Date: 3/18/2025 |
| Submitted By: Brian Running | City Administrator Approval: Anthony W. Brown, City Administrator |
| Finance Department Review: Joseph P. Ciurro, Finance Director | City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney |

Subject:

Approval of performance contracts for Jazz at Cutler Park 2025 season.

Details:

The Jazz at Cutler Park concert series will take place on each of the five Wednesdays in July this year. The performers will be the Brian Dale Group on July 2, the Command Performance big band on July 9, the Ellen Winters Group on July 16, Opus on July 23, and Carmen Nickerson and her band on July 30. This is an excellent line-up, and all have agreed to performance contracts. The terms of the contracts are identical to those in last year's series, except for fees, and contain the usual provisions for concerts of this type, including provisions for rain-outs in the event of stormy weather. Two of the bands, including the 19-piece big band, required a higher fee than we paid last year, and three of the performers were wiling to play for the same fee. They are all a bargain for the quality of the performances. The cost is fully funded by donors. We are asking for your approval of the contracts and authorization for execution.

Options & Alternatives:

There is no recommended alternative. Without the contracts, the concert series will not take place.

Financial Remarks:

There is no financial impact to the City, the cost is fully underwritten by donors.

Executive Recommendation:

We request a motion to approve and recommend the performance contracts to the Common Council for approval and authorization to execute.