

Regular Workshop – October 19, 2015  
Agenda Item 7  
Consent Item

Agenda Item: Confirmation of Continued Support for 2015 Longboat Key  
Kiwanis Club Gourmet Lawn Party

Presenter: Town Manager

Summary: The Town has supported the Longboat Key Kiwanis Club  
Gourmet Lawn Party in the past by providing Public Works staff  
and small equipment for the annual charity fundraising event.  
This year's event will take place, as in the previous four years,  
at the Longboat Key Club Islandside Driving Range on  
Saturday, December 5, 2015.

Prior to its transition to the Longboat Key Kiwanis Club Gourmet  
Lawn Party, the Town supported a similar Kiwanis event known  
as the St. Jude's Gourmet Luncheon for over 25 years.

This item is placed on the October 19, 2015 Regular Workshop  
Meeting Consent Agenda to reaffirm continuation of the Town's  
support for this annual community event.

Attachments: 10-1-15 Memo, Manager to Commission.

Recommended

Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda will forward this item to the  
November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting Consent Agenda for formal  
action.

## M E M O R A N D U M

Date: October 1, 2015

**TO:** Town Commission  
**FROM:** Dave Bullock, Town Manager  
**SUBJECT:** 2015 Longboat Key Gourmet Lawn Party

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At the November 7, 2011 Regular Meeting the Town Commission agreed to continue the Town's support of this annual charitable fund raising event.

It was brought before the Commission at that time because the format had changed somewhat from previous 25+ years from being known as the St. Jude's Luncheon (benefitting only St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital) to the Kiwanis Club Gourmet Lawn Party benefitting many *local* non-profit children's organizations. Since that time, the Commission reaffirms annually, their continued support of this annual community event.

This year the event will take place on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Longboat Key Club and Resort at the Islandside Driving Range. Last year the proceeds of this annual Longboat Key Kiwanis Club event benefitted the following charities:

- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
- Girl Scouts of Gulf Coast Florida
- 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue Dream Center
- Girls, Inc.
- Forty Carrots Family Center
- Child Protection Center
- Boy's and Girl's Clubs of Sarasota County
- Boy's and Girl's Clubs of Manatee County
- Sarasota Ballet
- and *primarily* the
- Longboat Key Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship Fund

The Town has traditionally assisted the Longboat Key Kiwanis Club organizers by providing limited staffing of Public Works employees assisting with the delivery and set-up of tents and small generators. We also store in Town facilities the 66 +/- tents year round that are utilized for this one-day event.

This item is placed on the October 19, 2015 Regular Workshop Consent Agenda to reaffirm Town Commission approval for the Town's continued support of this annual event. If approved on Consent, this item will be placed on the November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting Consent Agenda for formal action.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further information.



**End of Agenda Item**