



February 21, 2018

City of Aransas Pass
Attn: City Manager Gary Edwards
PO BOX 2000
Aransas Pass, TX 78336

Dear Mayor Gomez, Councilman Abrego, Scruggs, Ellis, Moore and City Manager Gary Edwards,

For more than 69 years the Shrimporee has been a celebration of the ties Aransas Pass had with the fishing and shrimping industry. Over that period of time, the Chamber of Commerce and the City of Aransas Pass have partnered together in planning and organizing this very successful event.

We continue seeking your support and partnership of Shrimporee by granting us permission to use the Community Park aka "Shrimporee Grounds" and an allowance in the general budget for assistance of public safety and protection as budgeted under the police administrative account. Shrimporee is progressively gaining momentum and becoming larger with each passing year. This event has a major impact on our community bringing in much needed revenues for hotels, restaurant and retail stores along with opportunities for our local nonprofits to provide scholarships for our youth and continue their humanitarian and community projects.

The Chamber is also asking to be added as an additional insured on the City's general liability policy as done in previous years. Additionally, the Chamber of Commerce carries general liability insurance making sure to include the City of Aransas Pass as "additional insured."

Shrimporee is a joint effort of citizens, business and professional leaders, in addition to hundreds of volunteers who come together to promote the first class community that Aransas Pass is. Shrimporee has played such a major role in the community and continues to be so very important to so many people.

We would like to be able to have the Carnival open once again on Thursday evening prior to Shrimporee if approved. The Chamber will have 3 off-site parking lot/pick-ups & drop off areas and will be using motor coaches to transport people to and from the festival. The 2018 Shrimporee is scheduled for June 8-10th with the carnival beginning on the 7th.

Thank you for your consideration of our requests. We truly appreciate the ongoing support we receive from the City of Aransas Pass and the positive relationship that has been built between us.

Respectfully,

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