

**CITY OF CHARLOTTE, COUNTY OF EATON, STATE OF MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-044**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS
TO BE HOSTED AT THE EATON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Charlotte is the owner of property known as the Eaton County Fairgrounds, which property is leased to the Eaton County Agricultural Society; and

WHEREAS, the lease between the City and the Eaton County Agricultural Society provides, in part, that the Society must obtain the permission of the City Council for events that will take place at the fairgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the Eaton County Agricultural Society has submitted a letter dated March 26, 2021 in which they have listed the larger events that will occur during 2021, which list has been provided to the City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that permission is hereby granted to the Eaton County Agricultural Society for the events listed in its March 26, 2021 letter provided those are held in accordance with current MDHHS or other public health orders in effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eaton County Agricultural Society is permitted to host other smaller events and activities during 2021 as are described generally in the same letter.

The foregoing resolution offered by Council member _____ and supported by _____.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye:

Nay:

Absent:

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Charlotte, County of Eaton, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City of Charlotte at a regularly scheduled meeting held on Monday, April 5, 2021, relevant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, the original of which is on file in my office as part of council minutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature this 5th day of April 2021.

Pearl Tidwell, City Clerk / Treasurer
City of Charlotte



Memo

Date: April 2, 2021
To: Honorable Mayor Armitage; City Council
From: Erin LaPere, City Manager
Re: Eaton County Fairgrounds Events

The Eaton County Fairgrounds property is owned by the City and leased to the Eaton County Agricultural Society which hosts a variety of community events throughout the year on the property. As part of that lease agreement, the Society is required to obtain permission from City Council for such events.

Historically, there have been a number of small- and large-scale events, including the County Fair and Charlotte Frontier Days. Unfortunately, the pandemic forced the cancellation of many of the community events last summer. There is optimism that events may be able to be held this year with the vaccine rollout while maintaining compliance with any health orders that may be in effect at the date of the event.

The first event is scheduled for Saturday, April 17th therefore the matter has been placed on the expedited agenda for approval. Attached please find the correspondence from Eaton County regarding this matter and a resolution of approval for Council's consideration.

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attachments



Eaton County Agricultural Society

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City of Charlotte Council members,

March 26, 2021

I'd like to start by thanking you all for your continued support of the Eaton County Fairgrounds and our mission of providing a safe and fun venue for our community to enjoy. Attached you will find the tentative list of major events happening at the Fairgrounds in 2021. You may notice that I have also included on this list the dates of our monthly Board of Directors meetings, which you are more than welcome to attend.

As we prepare for our events and our Fair, it is important to mention that all State and local guidelines will be followed, just as they were last year. We are hopeful that we will be able to host a normal Fair this year, but we are making plans to modify our event if that need arises. We are excited to be able provide an outdoor venue for various events which our community can safely enjoy.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

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2021 Eaton County Fairground Tentative Event Schedule

April 3: Winter Storage pick-up

April 17: ALS 5K Run

April 19: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

April 23-24: Eaton Conservation District Tree Sale pick-up

May 1-2: Eaton County Home & Business Expo

May 6-9: Spinsanity Flow Down

May 16: Horse Show

May 17: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

May 22: Cattle Show

May 28-29: Horse Show

May 29: FFA Elite Lamb Show

May 30: FFA Elite Hog Show

June 11-12: Horse Show

June 11-13: Mid-Michigan Gospel Festival

June 19-26: Charlotte Bluegrass Festival

June 21: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

July 9-17: Eaton County Fair

July 19: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

August 16: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

September 8-12: Charlotte Frontier Days



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September 17-19: Dog Show

September 20: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

October 1-2: Horse Show

October 18: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

October 22-23: Winter Storage Drop Off

November 15: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

December 20: ECAS Board of Directors Meeting

* Note: This is a tentative list of major events scheduled at the Eaton County Fairgrounds. This list is subject to change as events are canceled and added.