



City Council Agenda Item Request

Date of Request: 22 September 2023 Requester: Councilman Derrick Thompson

Agenda Item Title: Veteran Service Live Event

Estimated Cost: 10,000 Anticipated Funding Source: TED

City Department(s) Support Requested: City Manager

Estimated Staff Time Required: 1 hour

Anticipated Date for Future Council Work Session Discussion: 5 February 2024

Which City Council approved Goal(s) within the Strategic Plan does this request directly support?
Goal II Responsive City and Government
Goal III City Investment in Today and Tomorrow
Goal V Financially Sound City providing Exemplary Services

What do you envision accomplishing with this agenda item request?

The Department of Veterans Affairs will be processing VA Compensation Pension Claims for all Veterans and dependents. This will be a joint venture for both the City of Fayetteville and Cumberland County. This event will reach a mass number of veterans within a 3 day period. Events such as this reduce scammers and organizations charging massive amounts of fees to veterans for free services. An accredited County Veteran Service Officer from around the state will also be assisting in the claims process.

This event is a high profile event which will highlight what the City of Fayetteville and Cumberland County has to offer its veterans. It has the potential to bring in a large amount of revenue for both the City and the County. It will also allow all veterans organizations and community partners to come together and unite under one umbrella to serve the veteran population in our community.

Additional Comments:
Special Presentation