

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH AND AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION TO PROVIDE THE AAU HERMOSA BEACH CHAMPIONSHIPS, AAU HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BEACH VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE MATCHES, AND THE AAU SOUTHERN GRAND PRIX SERIES**

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 13th day of January, 2026 (hereinafter titled the "Effective Date"), by and between the City of Hermosa Beach, a California municipal corporation (hereinafter called "CITY") and the Amateur Athletic Union (hereinafter called "AAU"). CITY and AAU are sometimes individually referred to herein as "Party" and collectively referred to as "Parties."

**RECITALS**

- A. AAU desires to organize, coordinate, produce, and oversee the AAU Hermosa Beach Championships, AAU High School Boys Beach Volleyball League Matches, and the AAU Southern Grand Prix Series ("Events") in the City on City-owned property for the term of this Agreement.
- B. AAU represents that it is qualified and able to do so in a manner that benefits CITY and its community.
- C. The CITY is willing to make its property ("City Property") available for the Event due to the benefit it provides to the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. Term of Agreement. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on January 13, 2028, unless earlier terminated as provided herein. Further, the City Manager, in the City Manager's sole discretion, may have the option to extend this Agreement for one (1) additional one (1) year term on dates to be determined and contingent upon scheduling considerations related to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic training and/or games.

Section 2. AAU's Duties:

- a. Events, Dates, and Locations. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, AAU may organize, coordinate, produce, conduct, and oversee the Events, which consists of youth volleyball tournaments on the dates below. Event activities pertaining to the AAU Hermosa Beach Championships may take place on the Beach north and south of the Pier within the commercial zone between

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10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> street. Event activities pertaining to AAU High School Boys Beach Volleyball League Matches and the AAU Southern Grand Prix Series may take place on the Beach north of the Pier. The Events must remain open to the public. Event dates, including set-up and tear-down, included as part of this Agreement shall be:

- 2026 Event Dates:
  - AAU Hermosa Beach Championships: July 12 – July 21;
  - AAU Southern Grand Prix Series: January 19, February 1, February 16, February 22, March 15, March 29, April 5, April 12, May 3, May 10, May 31, June 20, June 21, October 31, November 8, November 15, November 29, December 5, December 12, and December 26;
  - AAU High School Boys Beach Volleyball Matches: August 29, September 27, October 3, October 11, and October 18;
- 2027 Event Dates:
  - AAU Hermosa Beach Championships: July 12 – July 19;
  - AAU Southern Grand Prix Series: January 2, January 18, January 31, February 14, February 15, February 28, March 13, March 14, March 28, April 3, April 4, May 2, May 9, June 19, June 20, October 2, October 31, November 6, November 14, November 27, December 4, December 18, and December 26;
  - AAU High School Boy Beach Volleyball Matches: August 28, September 18, October 2, and October 9

- b. Annual Event Confirmation, Changes, and Cancellations. AAU annually inform the CITY of its intent to produce the Event, including confirmation of event dates and event times, no later than three (3) months prior to the event. The City shall notify AAU of its intention to exercise the additional one (1) year option and for which dates no later than January 31, 2028. Should AAU desire to reschedule an event date(s) or change Event location(s) from the dates outlined in this Agreement, it must do so in writing no later than three (3) months prior to the Event. CITY will review the request against other activities and events booked within the City. While approval of a date change will not be unreasonably withheld, already scheduled activities or events will have priority. Use of additional location(s) may be approved as mutually agreed upon between the CITY and AAU provided AAU informs the CITY of this request at least three (3) months prior to the Event.

CITY reserves the right in its sole discretion at any time or times to cancel the Event and/or suspend the use of Event location(s) subject to this Agreement, for any duration to protect public health and safety. Any such closure will not constitute a breach or a default of this Agreement. CITY shall have no liability whatever to AAU for the effect of such suspension and closure on any Event, nor shall CITY have any responsibility to provide AAU with substitute Event dates or locations. AAU's rights under this Agreement are subject and subordinate to CITY's police and emergency powers in addition to CITY's rights to manage its municipal facilities, including outdoor public spaces and its contractual rights as described in this Agreement.

- c. Event Permits and Agreements. AAU shall obtain permits from CITY for Events and shall enter into and comply with all agreements for such permits as required by CITY, including but not limited to the following:
- Any required permits from the Community Development Department pertaining to building and safety review.
  - Any required permits from the Los Angeles County Fire Department.
  - Any required permits from the California Coastal Commission.
- d. Fee to CITY. AAU shall pay CITY direct and indirect costs including but not be limited to the provision of CITY staff time dedicated to the Events, Amplified Sound Permit fees, parking fees, dally special event category fees, daily set-up/tear-down fees, and co-sponsor fees.
- e. Annual Review. Within sixty (60) days prior to and after each Event, AAU shall provide an annual overview to the Parks, Recreation and Community Resources Advisory Commission in the form of an agendized presentation. The pre-event presentation shall highlight: a general event overview including anticipated number of attendees; an overview of the event footprint and individualized setup; and anticipated impacts to the community as a result of the event. The post-event presentation shall include: a general overview including the actual number of attendees; actual impact(s) to the community as a result of the event; and any event struggle(s) and success(es).

- f. Environmental Sustainable Measures. AAU shall implement the CITY's environmental sustainability measures, including but not limited to:
- AAU shall only use electric generators or generators operated with a 50% blend of bio-diesel fuel, or equivalent or lower emissions sources.
  - AAU shall incorporate sustainability requirements into vendor agreements.
  - AAU shall advertise green measures and rules in Events advertising.
  - AAU shall limit single-use paper, packaging, and décor items.
  - AAU shall limit use of handouts, flyers, and giveaways.
  - AAU shall enact a no-idling requirement for vehicles.
  - AAU shall provide on-site personnel to ensure that litter and trash are minimized, and recycling is maximized.
  - AAU shall encourage vehicles used in connection with the Events, are hybrid, electric, or CNG vehicles.
  - AAU shall participate in pre-event and post-event reviews of compliance with sustainability measures.
- g. Parking Spaces. AAU may request dedicated use of public parking spaces as needed for Events activities including parking of Event-related vehicles; storage of essential Events-related equipment and supplies; and other Events-related structures for each Event. Use of these spaces must be mutually agreed upon between the CITY and AAU following submittal of a site plan by AAU outlining the use of the parking space(s) at least ten (10) working days prior to each Event. While approval of parking request(s) will not be unreasonably withheld, already scheduled activities or events will have priority. The CITY will consider approval based on the location, seasonal needs for parking, and the overall impacts to the loss of parking spaces to the area. AAU shall ensure the spaces are clean from debris, and other materials that were collected as a result of Events activities.
- h. Logistical Meetings. AAU is required to participate in logistical and planning meetings with relevant CITY departments as requested by the City.
- i. Restroom, Recycling, and Trash Facilities. AAU shall provide an acceptable number of portable toilet facilities for each Event as determined by the CITY. AAU shall provide trash and recycling receptacles for each Event as required by the CITY. Recyclable

items shall be separated from refuse/trash. AAU shall coordinate with CITY's franchisee refuser hauler to add recycling containers in convenient locations to ensure capacity and reduce litter. The location, delivery, and pick-up of these items must be mutually agreed upon between AAU and the CITY prior to each Event.

- j. Sponsorships; Tickets; Merchandise; and Broadcasting. CITY acknowledges and agrees that AAU (i) may (and has the exclusive right to) promote and market the Events in its sole discretion, (ii) may (and has the exclusive right to) sell sponsorships, food and non-alcoholic beverages at Event in its sole discretion; provided that no Events sponsor will be promoting or marketing gambling, political, or religious viewpoints. Donating persons or entities must be consistent with the core values, mission, and vision of the City. CITY hereby grants to AAU and each Event sponsor, at no charge to AAU or such Event sponsor, the right to use and display the City of Hermosa Beach name in advertisements, publicity, and promotions for Events. AAU has the exclusive right to broadcast the Events in its sole discretion and AAU is entitled to retain all revenues from such sales and broadcasts.
- k. Insurance. AAU shall provide comprehensive general liability insurance in the form of a certificate naming "the City of Hermosa Beach, its officers, agents, volunteers, and employees as additional insureds." AAU shall maintain insurance coverage meeting the standards outlined in this Section at all times during the term of the Events permitted by this Agreement. All certificates are subject to approval of the City's Risk Manager. Coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Form CG 00 01 covering commercial general liability on an "occurrence" basis, including property damage, bodily injury, death, and personal and advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this Agreement, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. The City reserves the right to request greater or lesser amounts of insurance coverage. AAU shall provide evidence that the commercial general liability insurance includes coverage for injuries to athletic participants and participant accident insurance. If AAU maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City. AAU shall furnish properly executed

certificates of insurance to City, which certificates shall clearly evidence all coverage required above and provide that such insurance shall not be materially changed, terminated or allowed to expire except on thirty (30) days prior written notice to City; and further, shall provide that if AAU fails to pay any required deductible or self-insured retention, City may do so at AAU's expense.

- I. Indemnification. AAU shall indemnify and hold harmless the CITY, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, costs and expenses (including but not limited to court costs, penalties, expert fees and reasonable attorneys' fees), judgments, liabilities and causes of action of any nature whatsoever and damages for injuries to persons and property arising from AAU's use of City Property pursuant to this Agreement, including but not limited to AAU's negligent or wrongful acts, errors or omissions in the set-up, operation and tear-down of its improvements and use of City Property by AAU's guests, patrons, invitees, customers, employees, officers, and contractors hired in connection with this Agreement. AAU shall promptly pay the amount of any final and non-appealable judgment rendered against CITY, its officers, employees and agents for any such indemnified claims, and reasonable costs, and reasonable expert and attorney fees incurred by CITY in the defense of such claims. AAU's obligations under this Section shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

### Section 3. CITY's Duties.

- a. Event Permits. CITY shall provide event permits to AAU for each Event unless CITY determines in its sole discretion that it would not be in the public interest or that it would be averse to the public health, safety, or welfare.

Section 4. Assignment. This Agreement may not be assigned in whole or in part by either party, without the prior written consent of the other party. This Agreement is binding upon, and will inure to the benefit of, the successors and permitted assigns of each party.

Section 5. Independent Contractor. AAU will act hereunder as an independent contractor. This Agreement shall not and is not intended to constitute AAU as an agent, servant, or employee of the other party and shall not and is not intended to create the relationship of partnership, joint venture or association between CITY and AAU.

Section 6. Termination. CITY may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to AAU if CITY determines in its sole discretion that continuation of this Agreement would not be in the public interest, that it would be adverse to the public health, safety, or welfare, or that a substantial portion of CITY's property is unavailable due to construction activity. Prior to termination on the ground that a substantial portion of CITY's property is unavailable due to construction activity, CITY shall provide AAU an opportunity to propose adjustments to the venue or an alternative location for the Events. AAU's proposed adjustments or alternative shall be provided within thirty (30) days of written notice from CITY and is subject to approval of the City Council, in its sole discretion, in a public meeting.

AAU may terminate this Agreement upon written notice if any casualty or other cause beyond the reasonable control of AAU prohibits or materially impedes AAU from conducting any Events in the manner required by the CITY. Upon termination of the Agreement, any Events subsequent to the termination will no longer be the responsibility of AAU.

Section 7. Notice. Any notice, demand, request, approval or communication required be made or given pursuant to this Agreement may either be personally served upon the other Party or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid as follows:

For AAU: Amateur Athletic Union  
7428 Midfield Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90045  
(310 )877-5392  
Attention: Denny Lennon

For CITY: City of Hermosa Beach  
1315 Valley Drive  
Hermosa Beach, California 90254  
(310) 318-0216  
Attention: Steve Napolitano

Any notices so given pursuant to the provision of this paragraph will be deemed served twenty-four (24) hours after the deposit thereof in the United States mail.

Section 8. Entire Agreement. This Agreement represents the entire integrated agreement between CITY and AAU, and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral, with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument signed by both parties. The parties anticipate that, in addition to this Agreement, they will enter into a mutually acceptable event agreement for

each Event setting forth precise terms and conditions applicable to that Event. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which together are deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by email or other means of electronic transmission is deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

Section 9. Representations and Warranties. Each party hereby represents and warrants to the other party as of the date of this Agreement as follows:

- a. It has the full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and perform each of its obligations hereunder;
- b. This Agreement constitutes a legal, valid, and binding obligation of such party, enforceable against it in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, subject to creditors' rights and general principles of equity;
- c. Such party's execution and delivery of this Agreement, and its performance hereunder, will not violate or conflict with any other contract or agreement to which it is a party, any applicable law, or any court order or decree to which it is subject;
- d. It is legally authorized and has obtained all necessary regulatory approvals for the execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement;
- e. No litigation or pending or threatened (in writing) claims of litigation exist which would reasonably be likely to adversely affect its ability to fully perform its obligations hereunder or the rights granted by it to the other party under this Agreement;
- f. Such party's employees (and employees of its subsidiaries, affiliates, assigns, representatives, licensees, or others contracting with such party to work at any Event) are, to the extent such position is covered by any collective bargaining agreement or to the extent there is any agreement obligating such function to be performed by union members, members of the appropriate union.;

Section 10. Choice of Law. This Agreement shall be deemed to be made, governed by, and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California without giving effect to the conflict of law principles thereof.

Section 11. Severability. If any provision or a portion of any provision of this Agreement is held to be unenforceable or invalid by a court of competent

jurisdiction, the validity and enforceability of the enforceable portion of any such provision and/or the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

Section 12. Waiver. The failure of any Party to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement, or any rights with respect hereto, or the failure to exercise any election provided for herein, will in no way be considered a waiver of such provisions, rights, or elections, or in any way affect the validity of this Agreement. The failure of any Party to enforce any of such provisions, rights, or elections will not prejudice such Party from later enforcing or exercising the same or any other provisions, rights, or elections which it may have under this Agreement.

EXECUTED the day and year first above stated.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Denny Lennon, AAU Beach Volleyball Director

CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rob Saemann, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM

ATTEST

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Baltimore, Interim City Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Myra Maravilla, City Clerk