

January 8, 2025

Mayor Ralph Hellmich City of Foley P.O. Box 1750 Foley, AL 36536

Dear Mayor and City Council,

The South Baldwin Chamber Foundation Inc. is requesting permission to hold the Annual BBQ & Blues Cook-Off at Foley Heritage Park and Pavilion, 125 E Laurel Ave. Foley, AL 36535, as a two-day special event held on March 7th, 2025 from 5:00 pm-9:00 pm & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm (begin set up on Thursday, March 6th). We would also like to request approval for a rain date of Sunday, March 9, 2025.

The Friday night event would be a smaller event with live entertainment, food trucks and bar service. No cook teams or vendors open at this time with Saturday remaining as the official BBQ & Blues event with cook teams, vendors, children's activities and live entertainment.

We respectfully request that the fees for the use of the park and the pavilion be waived for this event. The South Baldwin Chamber Foundation, Inc. is also requesting assistance from the Parks & Recreation Department in preparation and maintenance of the grounds during the festival to include: trash receptacle set up and service, hanging of banners and signage, assisting in power and water hook-ups, and placement of picnic tables and barricades.

Additionally, we request a special events retail license to service alcoholic beverages at the event. The license will be for beer, wine and liquor which will be served in a gated area.

Your generosity and support for the Foundation are unprecedented! We value the relationship we have with the City of Foley, and respectfully ask you to consider these requests.

Regards,

Rachel Spear

Director of Events South Baldwin Chamber Foundation