

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: August 10, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

FROM: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

RE: Request from the Children's Home Society, Relative to the Charitable Solicitation Ordinance

DATE: July 30, 2021

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Town Council approve the attached request from the Children's Home Society and grant staff the authority to approve any similar requests associated with Covid-19 through December 31, 2021.

GENERAL INFORMATION

In compliance with CDC guidelines, most charitable organizations that normally hosted events in the Town of Palm Beach canceled or postponed them in 2020 to assist with mitigation efforts to slow the spread of Covid-19. The Children's Home Society of Florida traditionally holds its major annual dinner event in November each year and also has a secondary luncheon event in March each year.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the annual luncheon event was not held in 2020 and the annual dinner event usually held in November was pushed to February 2021. The annual luncheon was back on schedule and held in March 2021. This non-profit would like to return to its normal schedule by hosting its next annual dinner event in November 2021, which requires a waiver from Town Council since they've technically already held 2 events in 2021. It would be a one-time waiver and the Society will return to their 2 event schedule in 2022 (luncheon in March and dinner in November). The Town Council may grant a waiver as permitted in Section 78-106 of the Town Code. Please see the attached letter dated July 21, 2021, from Jim and Gaye Engel, Honorary Chairmen for the 2021 event.

Attachment

Cc: Queenester Nieves, Town Clerk