


City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2011

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES K. HARTMANN, CITY MANAGER 

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL TO PERMIT THE JAMESTOWN-YORKTOWN FOUNDATION TO DOCK THE TALL SHIP *GODSPEED* AT THE CITY MARINA FROM OCTOBER 2-10, 2011 AND TO WAIVE ASSOCIATED DOCKING FEES

ISSUE: Consideration of request to permit the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation to dock the tall ship *Godspeed* at the City Marina from October 2-10, 2011, and waive the associated docking fees.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council approve the request to dock the tall ship *Godspeed* at the City of Alexandria Marina from October 2-10, 2011, and waive the associated docking fee (Attachment 1).

BACKGROUND: The tall ship *Godspeed* is sponsored by the non-profit Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation and will provide educational programs for City of Alexandria students and will be available for unscheduled public viewing at no charge (Attachment I). In 2008, when the *Godspeed* last visited the City of Alexandria, 550 grade school students visited the tall ship.

The Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation is proposing educational programming on October 4-7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition, the Foundation is proposing hosting unscheduled public tours on October 4-7 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; October 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and October 9 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Foundation is planning two media sails. These sails would occur on October 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and on October 8 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. In addition, one evening event would occur on October 8 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

DISCUSSION: City Code Sec. 6-3-5 provides that, "All commercial vessels docking more than four (4) times per month are subject to approval by City Council pursuant to section 13-1-36 of the city code." The *Godspeed*, which is considered a commercial vessel, is an 88-foot replica of the ship that brought colonists to Jamestown in 1607. The Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation has requested to dock the *Godspeed* at the City Marina from October 2 through October 10, 2011, which is a period of 10 days of docking and thus triggers section 13-1-36 of the City Code.

The request has been reviewed by the City of Alexandria Special Events Committee, and the Committee has determined that no additional City resources are needed to support this request. At its January 25, 2011, meeting, the Alexandria Waterfront Committee voted unanimously to endorse the visit of the tall ship *Godspeed* and urged City Council to approve the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation docking request (Attachment 2). In addition, the chairs of the Old Town Civic Association and Founders Park Citizens Association participated in the Waterfront Committee's January 25 discussion and support the Foundation's docking request.

The proposed visit of the *Godspeed* would have a positive impact on the City as both an educational venue and as a draw to City and regional residents. Having ships of character such as the *Godspeed* dock at the waterfront is also consistent with the vision of the City's draft proposed Waterfront Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT: Loss of \$2,640 in potential docking fees. This would be offset to some degree by taxes gained from additional visitor spending.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation Docking Request, dated November 15, 2010

Attachment 2: Waterfront Committee Endorsement, dated January 31, 2011

STAFF:

Mark Jinks, Deputy City Manager

James Spengler, Director, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities

Jack Browand, Division Chief, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities

James Hixon, Dockmaster, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities



Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

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November 15, 2010

Mr. Roger Blakeley
Deputy Director
Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities
1108 Jefferson Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Dear Mr. Blakeley:

We are very excited about our proposed October 2011 visit and the opportunity to host citizens of Alexandria on board our 17th-century replica vessel *Godspeed*, and to continue our long and positive relationship with Alexandria City Public Schools. Attached is an application for the *Godspeed* to visit Alexandria. I hope this will provide you the information required to move our request through the appropriate channels. The following is our planned schedule:

- *Godspeed* is scheduled to arrive in Alexandria on the afternoon of Sunday, October 2. The ship is scheduled to depart Alexandria on the morning of Monday, October 10.
- The ship will be open to "unscheduled pedestrian foot traffic" on the following dates:
 - Tuesday, October 4th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 - Wednesday, October 5th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, October 6th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 - Friday, October 7th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 - Saturday, October 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 - Sunday, October 9th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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We are committed to continuing our close working relationship with Alexandria City Public Schools and will work with your representative to ensure your students have the best possible educational experience on *Godspeed*. We were very pleased to host over 550 Alexandria 4th grade school students onboard *Godspeed* during our last visit in October 2008, and look forward to working with Alexandria school students again in October 2011. In order to coordinate the timing of our programs with the dock master's schedule, we have tentatively set aside the following dates and times for Alexandria students, as well as other educational programming:

- Tuesday, October 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Friday, October 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- The Foundation plans to host a media sail on Monday, October 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and another sail on Saturday, October 8 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

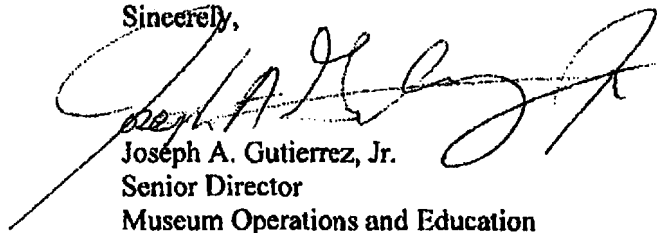
- In addition, we have tentatively planned an evening event on Saturday, October 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- There are no fees associated with any of the activities we host including sails, educational programs, or "pedestrian traffic."

- We request the waiving of all dockage fees associated with this visit.

As our plans for these events are confirmed, we will keep you informed. Thank you for your patience, and please do not hesitate to contact me at 757/253-7302 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Joseph A. Gutierrez, Jr.
Senior Director
Museum Operations and Education

JAG/jtg

cc: Mr. James Holloway
Ms. Laura Seidler
Mr. Eric Speth

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA MARINA
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
http://alexandriava.gov/recreation/index.html
1108 Jefferson Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Application for Visiting Commercial, Charter, Cruise, or Business Vessels

ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

Date Nov. 11 20 10

Name of Organization Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

Vessel Name Godspeed

Organization Address P.O. Box 1607, Williamsburg, VA 23187

Representatives Name Eric Speth Phone () 757/253-7312 Fax () 757/253-7342
eric.speth@jyf.

Email virginia.gov Certificate of Inspection Expiration Date 6/8/2011
(Attach copies of United States Coast Guard registration information)

Overall Length 88" Beam 17' Draft 7'3" Required Amps. 50
(Includes bow spirit)

Tonnage 40 Maximum No. Passengers 43 Max No. Crew 13

Rental Date(s) Requested October 2 through 10, 2011

Time Rental To Begin 1:00 p.m. Time Rental To End 11:00 a.m.

Requesting Utilities X Yes No Sewage Pump Out Facility Use X Yes NO

Insurance Information (Certificate of insurance must be submitted with application)

Insurance Company Name Commonwealth of Virginia Policy # See attached Amount \$ See attached

The undersigned signs that he or she has received and read the regulations governing the use of the City pier facilities by commercial vessels and that these will be enforced and honored by the renting organization. The undersigned further certifies that he or she is the legally authorized representative to act and accept such responsibility for the organization. Final approval of this permit is contingent upon approval by the Director of the Department of Recreation and receipt of the required deposit.

Signature [Signature] Date 11/15/10

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

Date Application Received By

Insurance certificate Attached Yes No Certificate of Inspection Attached Yes No

Table with 4 columns: Fee Name, Amount, Status (X), and Unit (Days, Passengers, Use). Rows include Base Rate, Passenger Rate, Utilities, and Sewage Pump-Out.

Table with 2 columns: Fee Name and Amount. Rows include Base Rate, Passenger Rate, Utilities, Sewage Pump-Out, and TOTAL FEES DUE.

Total Fee of \$ must be made on or before. Checks shall be made payable to the City of Alexandria and sent to the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, Capital Projects Division, 1108 Jefferson Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

Request [] Approved [] Not Approved [] No conflict with Special events (Confirmed with)

Program Supervisor/Date

Division Chief/Date



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CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

ISSUED TO: City of Alexandria
Dept. of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities
1108 Jefferson Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

and All Interested Parties

INSURER: COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

AUTHORIZATION: Risk Management Plan and the **Code of Virginia, §2.2-1837**

COVERAGE PERIOD: Continuous effective 11/1/2010-10/31/2011

PURPOSE: Verification of insurance coverage for activities of Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, and its employees as it relates to travel of the *Godspeed*. The Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation administers the Jamestown Settlement and Yorktown Victory Center.

COVERAGES: Tort Liability with Automobile liability.

LIMITS: \$2,000,000 - Tort claims against persons
\$100,000 - Tort claims against the Commonwealth

ADMINISTRATOR: Division of Risk Management
P.O. Box 1879
Richmond, VA 23218-1879

This is for information only. It does not alter any provisions of the Risk Management Plan nor the **Code of Virginia**.

VERIFIED BY: State Official's Name: Marra Austin
Marra Austin
Title: Procurement & Contract Administrator, Risk Manager
Date: 11/12/10

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United States of America
 Department of Homeland Security
 United States Coast Guard

Certification Date: 08 Jun 2010
 Expiration Date: 08 Jun 2011
 IMO Number:

Temporary Certificate of Inspection

For ships on international voyages this certificate fulfills the requirements of SOLAS 74 as amended, regulation V/14, for a SAFE MANNING DOCUMENT.

This Temporary Certificate of Inspection is issued under the provision of Title 46 United States Code, Section 399, in lieu of the regular certificate of inspection and shall be in force only until the receipt on board said vessel of the original certificate of inspection, this certificate in no case to be valid after one year from the date of inspection.

Vessel Name GODSPEED	Official Number 1181037	Call Sign WDC9168	Service Passenger (Inspected)
Hailing Port JAMESTOWN VA	Hull Material Wood	Horsepower 216	Propulsion Diesel
Place Built ROCKPORT, ME UNITED STATES	Delivery Date 26Apr2006	Date Keel Laid	Gross Tons R-47 Net Tons R-38 DWT I- Length R-65 I-
Owner VIRGINIA, COMMONWEALTH OF JAMESTOWN-YORKTOWN FOUNDATION ROUTE 31 SOUTH PO BOX 1607 WILLIAMSBURG VA 23187-1607 UNITED STATES	Operator JAMESTOWN-YORKTOWN FOUNDATION ROUTE 31 SOUTH PO BOX 1607 WILLIAMSBURG VA 23187-1607 UNITED STATES		

This vessel must be manned with the following licensed and unlicensed personnel. Included in which there must be 0 certified lifeboatmen, 0 certified tankermen, 0 HSC type rating, and 0 GMDSS Operators.

1 Master	0 Master & 1st Class pilot	0 Radio Officer(s)	0 Chief Engineer	0 QMED/Rating
0 Chief Mate	0 Mate & 1st Class Pilot	0 Able Seamen/ROANW	0 1st Asst. Engr/2nd Engr.	0 Oilers
0 2nd Mate/OICNW	0 Lic. Mate/OICNW	0 Ordinary Seamen	0 2nd Asst. Engr/3rd Engr.	
0 3rd Mate/OICNW	0 1st Class Pilot	6 Deckhands	0 3rd Asst. Engr.	
			0 Lic. Engr.	

In addition, this vessel may carry 25 passengers, 0 other persons in crew, 0 persons in addition to crew, and no others. Total persons allowed: 32

Route Permitted and Conditions of Operation:

---Rivers---

Vessel may operate in Hampton River, Elizabeth River, James River, Rappahannock River, and Onancock Creek. Vessel operation limited to warm water months only (15May - 31Oct). Vessel limited to daylight operations only.

The sails shall be limited to those shown on the sail plan submitted and found acceptable to the U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Center on the letter dated February 12, 2010, Serial

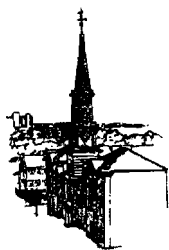
SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

With this Inspection for Certification having been completed at Norfolk, VA, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, Sector Hampton Roads certified the vessel, in all respects, is in conformity with the applicable vessel inspection laws and the rules and regulations prescribed thereunder.

Date	Zone	A/P/Q	Signature
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This certificate is issued by:

M. L. MALLOY, CDR, USCG, By direction
 Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection
 Sector Hampton Roads
 Inspection Zone



City Hall
Alexandria, Virginia

Alexandria Waterfront Committee
Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities
1108 Jefferson Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314



January 31, 2011

The Honorable William D. Euille
Mayor of Alexandria
City Hall
301 King Street, Room 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Dear Mayor Euille:

On behalf of the Alexandria Waterfront Committee, I would like to request that City Council approve the request of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation to dock the tall ship *Godspeed* at the City of Alexandria Marina for 10 days and waive the associated docking fees.

At its January 25, 2011 meeting, the members of the Waterfront Committee voted unanimously to endorse the visit of the tall ship *Godspeed* and urge City Council to approve its docking request. The request will have a modest fiscal impact but will provide several benefits to City residents and visitors. Tall ships contribute to the character of Old Town and Alexandria's historic seaport, and the *Godspeed* in particular is a replica of the ship that brought English colonists to Jamestown in 1607. During its port call October 2 – 10, 2011 the *Godspeed* will offer the public an opportunity learn about historic sailing vessels and Virginia history free of charge. In the process, the ship will attract visitors to the Waterfront.

The Waterfront Committee also requests that City staff mitigate the impact of additional visitors to the Waterfront during the visit of the *Godspeed* through the following actions:

- Review staff requirements to facilitate additional pedestrian traffic at the Marina and in adjacent Founders Park
- Evaluate the adequacy of existing toilet facilities to serve projected visitors and provision of temporary portable toilets, if required
- Trash collection as needed to remove garbage generated by additional visitors
- Monitoring and enforcement of leash laws by Animal Control in the vicinity of the tall ship
- Inspection and repair of lawn sprinkler heads impacted by foot traffic

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Thank you for your consideration of this proposal, and we hope to join you in welcoming the *Godspeed* to Alexandria in October.

Sincerely,



Nathan M. Macek, Chair
Alexandria Waterfront Committee

CC: Alexandria City Council
James K. Hartmann, City Manager
Richard J. Baier, P.E., Director, Department of Transportation and Environmental Services
James B. Spengler, Director, Department of Recreation Parks and Cultural Activities
Joy Wilson, Director, Animal Control
Roger Blakeley, Department of Recreation Parks and Cultural Activities
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