

POST-MEETING follow-up:

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Many thanks,
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More broadly, to understand the request for the specific funding in this bill, how is usage of the state fair grounds and facilities determined? The lease reflects the state fairgrounds are for the use of the State Fair. That said, ad hoc requests that have emerged before have been addressed by DAS and the State Fair Director, collaboratively.

Does DAS need to be consulted for uses other than State Fair, or does the State Fair board approve (or not) those uses? As Landlord, yes we need to be consulted for other uses. I cannot speak to the State Fair's approval.

Does DAS have the authority to override SF Board decisions or vice versa? We do not believe we have the authority to override the decisions of the SF Board, we would need to consult with DOJ.

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