

**DATE:** October 12, 2012  
**MEETING OF:** October 23, 2012  
**FROM:** Staff  
**RE:** **ACTION ITEMS X.4 – Reduce Fair to 5 Days**

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**BACKGROUND**

Over the years many fairs of a similar size as ours have expanded their schedules to 5 and 6 days. As economics have changed several fairs have contracted their schedules to reduce costs and stress / impact on their volunteers without a loss of attendance. Reducing our fair to 5 days would lower payroll costs, make it easier on our carnival to open on schedule, and most importantly reduce the pressure on our many volunteers.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Cost savings. No projected attendance reduction.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board approves a motion to reduce our fair schedule from 6 days to 5. The dates for 2013 would be September 11 -15.