

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. A(3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: February 10, 2009

TITLE: A Request to Set a Public Hearing for the Temporary Street Closing Permit Application for the Tar Heel 10 Miler

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.	PUBLIC HEARING: No
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Permit Application C. Map	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: George Seiz 918-7427 Christopher Sherman 918-7426

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is to set a public hearing for a Street Closing Permit Application submitted by Endurance Magazine for the temporary closing and usage of streets from 7:30 am to 10:00 am on Saturday, April 25, 2009 to accommodate the Tar Heel 10 Miler (road race).

INFORMATION

This is the second year of the event involving about 7 miles of streets within Carrboro's jurisdiction with the start and end for the event within Chapel Hill's jurisdiction. The route is the same as last year's event. The Tar Heel 10 Miler will benefit the Chapel Hill/Carrboro YMCA Strong Kids Program.

The run race will begin near Kenan Stadium and proceed west and entering Carrboro from W. Rosemary St., through E. Main St. utilizing the westbound outside travel lane to E. Weaver to N. Greensboro St. where runners will enter the northbound Bike Lane to continue to Hillsborough Rd. to Old Fayetteville Rd. to McDougle school pedestrian trail and across the school property to Quail Roost Dr. The race continues along Lisa Dr. to Carol St. to James St. to Lorraine St. to Mary St. to Simpson St. to cross W. Main St.; W. Main St. east to cross Jones Ferry Rd. to access the PTA Bike Path to W. Carr; cross S. Greensboro St. then east to E. Carr to Maple Ave. to Roberson St. to Libba Cotten Bikeway to Merritt Mill/Cameron Ave. to finish line within Chapel Hill at Church St.

The run race through Carrboro requires the closure of W. Rosemary, E. Main and E. Weaver St. outside westbound lanes to vehicle travel. In most cases, the roadways will only be temporarily closed to vehicle traffic while runners cross. Bike Lanes, bike paths and roadway shoulders and sidewalks are to be utilized to minimize vehicle travel delays. Endurance Magazine plans to provide volunteers to assist Police and Public Works personnel with controlling traffic at driveways and un-signalized intersections. Endurance Magazine will be responsible for cutting off runners or directing runners to use sidewalks if they wish to continue or have not reached Carrboro city limits by 10 a.m.

In accordance with Section 7-19 of the Town Code, a Public Hearing must be held to receive public input prior to issuing a Street Closing Permit.

ISCAL IMPACT

The applicant shall be responsible for all costs incurred for advertisement of the Public Hearing, as well as for Police and Public Works personnel and vehicles used to facilitate this event.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution setting a public hearing for February 24, 2009.