

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. (3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: June 8, 2010

SUBJECT: Follow Up Report on Races and Special Events - Temporary Street Closing

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.	PUBLIC HEARING: NO				
ATTACHMENTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. ResolutionB. Memo dated April 14, 2008 to Town Manager – a summary of special events.C. Chapter 7, Article III, Street Events, Section 7-16 thru 7-31 in Town CodeD. Race Maps	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: <table><tr><td>George Seiz</td><td>918-7427</td></tr><tr><td>Chris Sherman</td><td>918-7426</td></tr></table>	George Seiz	918-7427	Chris Sherman	918-7426
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PURPOSE

The purpose of this item is to provide follow up information requested by the Board of Alderman to help facilitate further discussion about various races and other special events that require temporary street closings.

INFORMATION

During the March 23, 2010 public hearing for the Carrboro Classic Duathlon, BOA members expressed concerns about the number of events of this type, inconveniences resulting from some of the events, and what organizations are benefited from these events. Staff was asked to provide a list of race events including dates, event organizers, tax status, and organizations who receive support from the event organizers. Please see table below.

Event	Dates	Event Organizer	Tax Status	Benefited organizations listed by organizer
Kidney Kare 5K	Mid March – Saturday	UNC Kidney Center	NP	UNC Kidney Center's Kidney Education Outreach Program
Four on the 4th	4 th of July - Day Varies	Cardinal Track Club	NP	Arc of Orange County, El Centro Latino, Optimist Club of Chapel Hill, Orange County Rape Crisis Center
Carrboro 10K	Early Oct. - Saturday	Cardinal Track Club	NP	Arc of Orange County, El Centro Latino, Optimist Club of Chapel Hill, Orange County Rape Crisis Center
Gallop and Gorge	Thanksgiving Day	Cardinal Track Club	NP	Arc of Orange County, El Centro Latino, Optimist Club of Chapel Hill, Orange County Rape Crisis Center
Carrboro Duathlon*	Early/mid - April, Sat.	BTR Management	P	Swim for Smiles (UNC), Habitat for Humanity of Durham

*Carrboro Duathlon did not take place in 2010 due to a scheduling conflict at McDougle School

The BOA has previously requested information on the local participation of the running events and staff has provided an update in the table below.

Event	Event Date	Total Participants	# Carrboro Participants	Percentage	# Carrboro-CH Participants	% Percentage
Kidney Kare 5K	2010	259	34	13%	175	68%
4 on the 4th	2009	537	51	9%	328	61%
Carrboro 10K	2009	471	63	13%	293	62%
Gallop and Gorge	2009	1046	119	11%	581	56%
Overall		2313	267	12%	1377	60%

In early 2008 the BOA expressed interest in the number and types of special events taking place in the Town, the amount of Town involvement in the events, and sponsorship. A memo summarizing that information was provided to the BOA in April of 2008 and is attached to this report. The memo shows staff hours spent by various departments on planning, preparation, and working the events. The list has only minor changes over the last two years. Baldwin Park Fun Day is no longer offered and the Tar Heel 10 Miler running race is now held entirely in Chapel Hill and no longer involves Carrboro.

The section of the Town Code dealing with street events is included as Attachment C to provide background information with regard to event approval. Race maps are included as Attachment D as additional information.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Town commits significant resources to the various events throughout the year in terms of staffing. Many of the events are held after normal hours and on weekends which may necessitate the paying of overtime or compensatory time, and subsequently impact the budget and staffing capacity.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Aldermen accept the information provided by staff.