ITEM NO. C(2)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: September 21, 2010

SUBJECT: Town Code Amendment Related to Road Races

| DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. | PUBLIC HEARING: NO |
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| ATTACHMENTS: A. Ordinance B. Responses from race organizers C. Chapter 7, Article III, Street Events, Town Code | FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: George Seiz 918-7427 Mike Brough 929-3905 |

PURPOSE

The purpose of this item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider adopting an ordinance amending the Town Code to provide that the Board of Aldermen will only approve street event permits for road races when the event benefits non-profit organizations based in Orange County.

INFORMATION

At the Board regular meeting on June 8, 2010, Town staff provided information to the BOA on the number and types of special events requiring street closing permits. From discussion with staff on this matter the Board asked the Town Attorney to draft an ordinance amendment requiring that a street closing permit for road races would only be issued if such event will benefit a non-profit organization that is based in or provides services in Orange County.

A draft of the ordinance amendment was sent to the three race organizers who have typically held running events in Carrboro asking for feedback on the proposed ordinance change. The three organizations and persons contacted were: Cardinal Track Club, Dick Forbis; Kidney Kare 5K, Suzie Hosman; Endurance Magazine, Steve Lackey, Thys Wind and Butch Robertson. Responses were received from Cardinal Track Club and Kidney Kare 5K and are attached. There was no response from Endurance Magazine.

FISCAL/STAFF IMPACT

There is no fiscal or staff impact with adopting this amendment.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached ordinance.