



Agenda Item No. _____

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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: May 5, 2009

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Transportation Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: State Highway 225 Temporary Closure For The 2009 Santa Barbara International Marathon

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Requesting that the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Permit the Temporary Closure of Portions of State Highway 225 on December 6, 2009, for the Santa Barbara International Marathon.

DISCUSSION:

The Santa Barbara International Marathon (SBIM) organizers have been working with staff from the Police Department, City Administrator's Office, the Parks Department, and the Public Works Department to plan a community event spanning December 4-6, 2009. While the event highlights the 26-mile marathon, there will be other events including a Children's Festival, Corporate and People's Relays, a Lecture Series and a Health and Fitness Expo. Additionally, the SBIM – Make It Count! Program provides incentives to local charities along the marathon course to leverage the individual marathon and/or Health and Fitness Relay events for fundraising with tools such as training programs, registration incentives, and charity recognition.

This inaugural event expects to draw 5,000 runners who will receive support from 1,000 volunteers. The event organizers expect approximately 15,000 spectators along the course, which begins in Goleta and ends in Santa Barbara, utilizing Modoc Road, Cliff Drive (State Highway 225), Meigs Road, and Shoreline Drive (within City limits). Several informational meetings have been held in local neighborhoods to describe the course and gather comments relevant to a successful and supported event.

Caltrans requires a Council Resolution supporting the event before they will approve the temporary closure of State Highway 225.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The organizers will pay customary fees for Police, Parks, and Public Works permits and services leading up to and on the day of the event. The revenue for police services is estimated to be \$19,700. The fees for Public Works and Parks permits have not yet been determined.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office