

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: GREEK WEEK 2013 REQUESTS

BACKGROUND:

Again this year the Greek Week Central Committee and the Office of Greek Affairs have requested that streets be closed periodically for activities as part of Greek Week and Greek Getaway. The closures would be around the "Greek Triangle" and include Sunset Drive, from just west of Beach to Ash Avenue; Ash Avenue, from Gable Lane to Knapp Street; Gray Avenue, from Gable Lane to Greeley; Greeley Street; Pearson Avenue, from Sunset to Greeley; and Lynn Avenue, from Chamberlain to Knapp. Lynn Avenue would be closed only on Saturday, April 6, from 7:00 a.m. to noon, to facilitate the Greek Olympics activities. All of the other street closures will be from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5 and from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 6.

In addition, event organizers have requested that parking be prohibited on both sides of Gray Avenue, Greeley Street, portions of Pearson Avenue, portions of Lynn Avenue, and all of Sunset Drive from 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4 to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 6.

Several single family homes are located along the closed streets, and the organizers will notify the affected residents and the South Campus Area Neighborhood Association about the closures by canvassing the area and distributing notification letters. There are no fireworks associated with this event.

Staff recommends that these requests be approved with the following stipulations:

- No alcohol shall be served or consumed on streets or other public property during the events
- Organizers and participants will be responsible for picking up trash in the area during and at the conclusion of the events
- Organizers will reimburse the City for any lost or damaged barricades
- Food served and/or sold at private residences is the liability of the residence

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the request to close streets and enact temporary parking prohibitions for the 2013 Greek Week activities scheduled for Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6, 2013, subject to the stipulations listed above.
2. Deny the requests.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Greek Week is an annual student-run event at Iowa State that highlights the fraternities and sororities and their contributions to student life. It is highly dependent upon City approval of street closures and parking prohibitions so that it can occur in a safe and smooth manner.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby approving the request to close streets and enact temporary parking prohibitions for the 2013 Greek Week activities scheduled for Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6, 2013, subject to the above-listed stipulations.

Itinerary for Greek Olympics

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
7:00 AM	Set-Up	Entire Area
9:00 AM	Canoe Race	Lake Laverne
9:45 AM	Dizzy Dizzy Duck	Sigma Alpha Epsilon
10:30 AM	ΛΑΡΠ	Phi Kappa Psi
11:30 AM	Skin the Snake	FarmHouse/FIJI
12:00 PM	Remove 2 Barricades	Lynn Avenue
12:00 PM	Egg Joust	Theta Chi
12:30 PM	Road Race	Delta Zeta Triangle
1:15 PM	LUNCH & Dingle Dangle Donut	Ash Avenue
2:00 PM	Bed Race PRELIMS	Delta Zeta Triangle
2:45 PM	Fruit of the Loom	Tau Kappa Epsilon
3:30 PM	Tug O War	Beta Sigma Psi
4:15 PM	Bed Race FINALS	Delta Zeta Triangle
By 9:00 PM	Tear Down	Entire Area