

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: REQUESTS FROM BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF STORY COUNTY FOR OVER THE EDGE**

**BACKGROUND:**

Boys and Girls Clubs of Story County is planning to host its second annual Over the Edge fundraising event on Friday, October 12. The event consists of participants rappelling down The Edge apartment building on Chamberlain Street in Campustown. Organizers also propose hosting food trucks, music, and games as part of the festivities taking place along the 200 block of Chamberlain from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Although all aspects of this event will occur on private property, organizers are requesting the closure of 33 metered parking spaces in Parking Lot Z from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12, including a waiver of fees and enforcement (\$165 loss to Parking Fund). These spaces will be used for residents of the Edge apartment building who will be displaced from their usual parking lot for the event. Reserved parking spaces in Lot Z will be unaffected.

Chamberlain Street will remain open to traffic. Organizers have communicated to staff that the technical and safety aspects of the event would be managed by the Over the Edge company, and the Fire and Police Departments have reviewed their safety planning. Organizers have also indicated they will notify affected residents and businesses by going door-to-door with information. A letter of support from the Campustown Action Association is attached.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the request from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Story County to close 33 metered parking spaces from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12 and do not require reimbursement for lost parking meter revenue.
2. Approve the request, but require reimbursement for lost parking meter revenue.
3. Do not approve the request.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The Over the Edge event was successfully held last year. In addition to being a fundraising event benefiting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Story County, the event will

bring visitors to the Campustown District. This event supports the City Council's goal to strengthen the Campustown.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the request from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Story County to close 33 metered parking spaces from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12 and do not require reimbursement for lost parking meter revenue.



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF STORY COUNTY**

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August 28, 2018

Dear Mayor Haila and City Council Members,

Boys & Girls Clubs of Story County is requesting a waiver of fees for the closure of metered spaces in lot Z all day for our 2018 Over the Edge event on Friday, October 12 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will take place on The Edge, 2311 Chamberlin St., and St. John's Episcopal Church's, 2338 Lincoln Way, on their private property.

With gratitude,

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Development Coordinator

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I am writing to you today in regards to the Over the Edge event being planned by the Boys & Girls Club of Story County. This is a very fun way to raise money for a great cause and CAA is thrilled to have it occurring in the Campustown District. In addition to having one of our board members participate in the rappelling, I am serving on the event planning committee. The OTE committee has been hard at work addressing any concerns from last year, planning and organizing the activities we'll be providing and is determined to make this year's event even better than last year. CAA is also assisting with the notification of business owners in the area. There will not be a street closure, but we will make sure that neighbors are aware of day-of-event parking logistics and potential for increased traffic and activity. Several CAA representatives will be present during the event. We are supportive of this event and appreciate the visitors it will bring to Campustown.

  
Karin Chitty  
Executive Director