

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: GREEK WEEK 2011 REQUESTS

BACKGROUND:

Again this year, the Greek Week Central Committee has requested that streets be closed periodically for activities in observance of Greek Week. The closures would be around the "Delta 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 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., to facilitate the Greek Olympics activities. All of the other street closures will be on April 2, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 2.

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 (see attached draft notification letter). There are no fireworks associated with this event.

Staff is recommending that these requests be approved with the following stipulations:

- No alcohol shall be served or consumed on streets or other public property during the event.
- Greek Week organizers or participating organizations will be responsible for picking up trash in the area during and at the conclusion of the event.
- Organizers will reimburse the City for any ruined or stolen City-owned barricades.
- A Temporary Obstruction Permit shall be obtained for placement of tables, trash cans, tents, or other items on public property.
- Food served and/or sold at private residences becomes the liability of the residence.

Public Works staff will drop off the appropriate barricades and no parking signs on Friday, April 1, at the Farm House Fraternity, 311 Ash Avenue, where they will be stored until needed and put in place by event organizers.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the request to close streets and enact temporary parking prohibitions for the 2011 Greek Week activities scheduled for Saturday, April 2, subject to the above-listed stipulations.
2. Deny the request.

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 assistance through the allowance of street closures and parking prohibitions so that it may 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 2011 Greek Week activities scheduled on Saturday, April 2, 2011, subject to the above-listed stipulations.

Greetings neighbors!

Please be aware that the Greek Community will be holding its annual Greek Week activities in the residential Greek Community, beginning on April 1st until April 3rd. We would like to ask for cooperation from all in the community in order for the activities to be safe and successful.

Greek Week will be kicking off in the Greek Community on Friday, April 1st. High School Seniors and future Iowa State students will be arriving and staying at chapter houses in the Greek Community. They will be arriving Friday afternoon and attending block parties at various fraternity houses throughout the evening. Including our BBQ, this will last from approximately 6pm to 11pm. In accordance to the city of Ames' noise ordinance we will make sure that the volume from these block parties gets no greater than 55 decibels.

The next morning will be full of activities with the annual Greek Week Olympics on Saturday, April 2nd. Starting at 7:00am and throughout the day, we will have a few roads in our neighborhood barricaded for the safety of our participating members. These streets include; Ash Ave, Lynn Ave, Sunset Drive, Gray Ave, Greeley Street and Pearson Ave. These can be seen on the enclosed map and the times they are closed are listed as well. We will have students monitoring barricades, and we ask that all trying to drive through are respectful and courteous to our volunteers. We hope to cause as few headaches as possible.

If you have any questions, concerns, or issues I would ask that you please contact myself or one of the General Co-chairs for Greek Week; we have listed our information below. Additionally, we encourage you and your families to watch the excitement of the weekend! Thank you in advance for your continued cooperation.

Best Regards,

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GREEK WEEK 2011 – ‘We May Stand Out but We Never Stand Alone’

Calendar of Events

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Saturday, March 26, 2011

dVEISHEA Service Day, 8:30-10:30am

- Ames community

Sunday, March 27, 2011

Banner Displays, set up by 1:00pm

- Location: Greekland

Storefront Window painting, 8:00-2:00pm

- Welch Ave. Businesses

Softball Tournament, 12:00-4:30pm

- Location TBD – Possibly Ames Softball Fields on alternative date

Monday, March 28, 2011

Barbecue, 11:00-1:00pm

- Central Campus
- Menu: TBA
- Free to all Greek students, \$5 to non-Greek students
- Set up will begin
- Food lines will be set up under the tent and food will be served by Greek Week Central members and Aides, gloves provided (food safety cards with us)
- Food and vendors will all be certified
- Trash cans will be placed around to collect trash
- Music will be played on speakers facing into campus (away from building)
- Karaoke first cuts performances will occur during this time as well

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Barbecue, 11:00-1:00pm

- Central Campus
- Menu: TBA
- Free to all Greek students, \$5 to non-Greek students
- Set up will begin

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- Music will be played on speakers facing into campus (away from building)

- Karaoke final cuts performances will occur during this time as well

Can Sculpture Contest, 5:00-7:00pm

- Central Campus

- Participants will sculpt designs out of non-perishable foods under the Greek Week

Barbecue tent

- These sculptures will be judged on creativity and the food will be donated to local food banks

Thursday, March 31, 2011

Kick-off Event, 5:00-7:30pm

- Central Campus

- Greek Roll Call Performances will occur at this time

Friday, April 1, 2011

Lip Sync Final Cuts, 11:30-2:00am

- CY Stephens Auditorium

Saturday, April 2, 2011

Olympics, 9:00-5:00pm

- Greekland

- Barricades set up and monitored to block off streets necessary (city notified)

-Schedule:	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
	Lake Laverne	Canoe Race
	Sigma Alpha Epsilon-	Dizzy Dizzy Duck
	Phi Kappa Psi	Tug O War
	Kappa Sigma	Skin the Snake
	Theta Chi	Egg Joust
	Delta Zeta Triangle	Road Race
	LUNCH	
	Delta Zeta Triangle	Bed Race PRELIMS
	Alpha Gamma Rho	Dingle Dangle Donut
	Tau Kappa Epsilon	Fruit of the Loom
	Delta Zeta Triangle	LARP
	Delta Zeta Triangle	Bed Race FINALS

Polar Bear Plunge, 5:30pm

- Lake Laverne

- Participants will dress in costume and jump into the lake

- Certified divers provided by the Special Olympics will be present for safety purposes