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### **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

SUBJECT: REQUESTS FOR GREEK WEEK OLYMPICS 2019

## **BACKGROUND**:

The Greek Week Committee has submitted plans to host its Greek Week Olympics on Saturday, April 6. To facilitate this event, organizers have requested closure of the following streets from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on April 6: Sunset Drive; Ash Avenue from Gable Lane to Knapp Street; Gray Avenue from Gable Lane to Greeley Street; Greeley Street; Pearson Avenue from Sunset to Greeley; and Lynn Avenue from Chamberlain to Knapp.

To clear these streets of parked vehicles prior to the commencement of activities, event organizers will post "No Parking" signs around 5 p.m. on Friday, April 5 until each street has re-opened after the activities. A blanket Temporary Obstruction Permit has also been requested.

Several single-family homes are located along the closed streets. The organizers will notify the affected residents about the closures by canvassing the area and distributing a notification letter. Insurance for this event is provided through the University.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**:

- Approve the requests as indicated above for the Greek Week Olympics.
- 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 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 requests shown above for the Greek Week Olympics.

# Iowa State University Greek Week 2019

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Greetings Ames City Council,

My name is Ryan Hunwardsen and I am the Greek Week Central 2019 Logistics Director. This letter is to request for street closures around the South Campus residential community for our annual Greek Olympics. We will be holding our annual Greek Week Olympics in the South Campus residential community on Saturday, April 6th from 10:00am till 5:00pm and ask for your consideration in closing down the affected streets.

Saturday, April 6th will be the annual Greek Week Olympics. Starting at 6:00 AM, Greek Week Central is seeking your permission to erect barricades to block traffic off in the neighborhood. These barricades are 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 included map on the back of this letter. We will have student volunteers monitoring the barricades at all times to ensure the safety of all participants.

We ask that the council grant us permission for the above road closures in order to help ensure the safety of all participants. If you have any questions, concerns, or issues, I would ask that you please contact myself or one of the Executive Directors for Greek Week; we have listed our information below. Thank you for your consideration!

Best Regards,

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