

Thursday, April 2, 2009

Public Hearings and Possible Actions RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION Item No. 60

Subject: Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance amending Chapter 14-8 and repealing Chapters 4-5 and 14-7 of the City Code relating to street closures and creation of Right-Of-Way Event Rules.

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Prior Council Action: June 5, 2008 Austin City Council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 20080605-045

A Task Force was established in June 2008 with the purpose of reviewing and making recommendations on the merging of pertinent ordinances affecting street closures for events; and to recommed strategies for creating a mutually beneficial schedule for events requiring street closures including alternate days for events, alternate routes for access to businesses and buildings, a possible limit on the number of events and/ or days per year on which streets are closed, preset routes for foot races/ walks, and other changes which the Task Force recommends to create a plan for mutually beneficial street event closures which respect the needs of all stakeholders.

The public hearing will be to present and discuss the recommendations from both City Staff and the Task Force.