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WARD: All Wards

COMMITTEE: Administration

\$ IMPACT: None

Approval of Ordinance 2017-08 to Amend the City of Smyrna Code of Ordinances by Adding Chapter 11: Racing Events Article I and Article II

ISSUE: Recommendation to adopt a formal racing event policy that requires event organizers to obtain a racing event permit and identifies the requirements and expectations for all racing events within the City.

BACKGROUND: The city has had an internal process for approving racing event permits but not a formal one that has clearly outlined requirements and a clear approval process. The proposed amendment to the City code will bring the city in alignment with the practice of many other municipalities that outline these requirements in their own city codes. Racing event organizers will now have to submit an application first through the Smyrna Police Department and ultimate approval will come from the Office of the Assistant City Administrator. It requires that various departments be involved in the process so all relevant parties are aware and communicating about the event and any potential issues that may arise. The ordinance requires that race organizers obtain an emergency medical services plan approved by the Smyrna Fire Department to provide for the safety of all participants and the public, that they execute an indemnity form, and that they secure appropriate liability insurance, which is standard practice in many other communities.

RECOMMENDATION/REQUESTED ACTION: Staff recommends approval.