



City Council Agenda Report

TO: Mayor Novelli and Members of the City Council

FROM: Ken Irwin, City Manager

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MEETING DATE: March 21, 2017

ITEM NO: 5.5

SUBJECT: Approve the Request from the 2017 Amgen Tour of California for Street Closures for the May 15, 2017 Event.

RECOMMENDATION

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BACKGROUND

The 12th Annual 2017 Amgen Tour of California is a professional style bike race modeled after the Tour de France. The race is governed by the same international cycling federation, they follow the same rules, and they have the same teams and riders as the Tour de France. The principal difference between the two events is that the Amgen Tour of California is a shorter event: 7-days vs. 23-days. The race consists of 16 teams - each with eight riders. The 2017 race will have six point-to-point road stages and one time trial. Each stage is between 12 and 120 miles in length. The race begins in Sacramento on May 14th and concludes in Pasadena on May 20th.

The 2016 Amgen Tour of California drew over one million spectators along the 750-mile route and quickly became the largest sporting event in the history of California. They will broadcast HD live TV coverage (NBC Sports and NBC Network) on every stage for 2017 to more than 200 countries. They will also be streaming live video on the Internet for the entire race.

The race is self-contained. Aside from the 128 professional racers, they also have approximately 100 vehicles that travel within the race "package". This includes the California Highway Patrol (CHP), team cars, medical support, mechanical support, race officials, motorcycle marshals, TV crews, etc. The entire race moves as one entity at an average speed of approximately 26 MPH. From the lead CHP car to the follow CHP car, the distance is approximately 1.5 miles. It takes the race about five minutes to pass any given spot on the road.

They require total road closures that is managed by the CHP. There are four elements to the closure: cross traffic that flows across the course at an intersection, traffic moving the same direction and ahead of the race, traffic moving the same direction and behind the race, and traffic moving towards the race. CHP/Police will allow cross traffic and traffic turning onto the course and heading away from the race until approximately 5-10 minutes before the race reaches the intersection but will prevent cars from turning onto the road heading into the race. Traffic moving the same direction and ahead of the race will be allowed to flow until the race is approximately 10 minutes behind the traffic. Traffic that is behind the race will not be allowed to pass. Traffic that is moving into the race will be stopped approximately 20-minutes before the race reaches any given point.

Traffic management is variable based on the type of road, the amount of traffic, and the type and number of opportunities where traffic can be pulled off the road for a short period. Where there are roads that are divided by medians, traffic will be allowed to flow on the side opposite the race. It may sound slightly onerous, but it is not as bad as it sounds. CHP has been able to perfect this type of closure and has worked closely with local PD and the sheriffs. For the 2016 event, that took place over eight days and 750 miles of roads, there were very few complaints with the way the traffic was managed.

The entire 657 miles of the route has been reviewed by both Caltrans and CHP. As it has for the past 11-years, California Travel and Tourism is a key supporter and Partner of the 2017 Amgen Tour of California.

ANALYSIS

Road Closures:

Las Palmas to Center Circle - Center Circle to S. Salsado
S. Salado to Hwy 33 - Hwy 33 to Sperry
Sperry to I 5 over pass and up the Canyon to San Jose
(See attached Map)

The City to:

- Allow street closures Las Palmas, Center Circle, S. Salsado, Hwy. 33 & Sperry Ave at the designated times.
- Police, Public Works & Recreation staff to assist with street closures of controlled intersections as outlined in the report, along with Amgen Crew.

Amgen to Provide:

- Event Medical Service as outlined in the report
- Traffic Control Plan as outlined in the report, and traffic control, and overall Event supervision and coordination.
- Provide appropriate Insurance with Endorsement. (pending)

FISCAL IMPACT

- Regular staff hours for Public Works and Recreation staff that are required for assisting with staff hours.

- Regular staff hours for Sheriff's staff that are required for assisting with staff hours v
- Cost of street closure equipment.

Amgen organization will cover the cost of the street closures in the City of Patterson.