

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Urban Transportation Commission

Recommendation Number: 20141014-03B: 2015 Austin Marathon and Half Marathon

WHEREAS, Conley Sports Inc. has submitted an application for The 2015 Austin Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K event on Sunday, February 15th to start at 7am, end at 2:30pm. Request to waive certain requirements of Sections 14-8-3, and 14-8-15(B) of the Temporary Closure for a Right-of-Way Event ordinance.

WHEREAS, section 14-8-3(B) (3) states the director may not issue a permit "if 20% or more of the affected persons on any block to be closed or a neighborhood association objects to the closure".

WHEREAS, the event would like to follow their previous practice of mailing out notifications to a larger section of the race route without approval or denial options to allow the route to remain a sustainable option.

WHEREAS, section 14-8-15(B) states "If an annual right-of-way event has been held for the past 10 or more years and has not received a violation or changed its character, nature, location, or route, the director may approve the following year's event for the same applicant regardless of whether it satisfies the requirements of Subsection 14-8-3(B)".

WHEREAS, the event has been held in Austin for 24 years with variations in the route due to changes in roadways, construction, development and community stakeholder feedback.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Austin requests that the Urban Transportation Commission provides a recommendation to the Austin City Council as to whether the Austin Marathon street event closure shall proceed.

Date of Approval: _____/0./4-15

Record of the vote: 4-0-0-3

(Staff or board member can sign)