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CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item K
July 12, 2010

SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution to close Ten Mile Road from the Novi Civic Center to Taft Road and Taft Road to Nine Mile from 11:45am to 1:30pm for the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) of Detroit's Festival of the Chariots Parade Saturday, July 24, 2010.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) of Detroit will present their 25th annual Rath Yatra (Festival of the Chariots) on Saturday, July 24, 2010, from 11:45am to 1:30pm. The roads will be closed intermittently throughout this timeframe with the parade concluding at Fuerst Park, after which the annual festival will be held at Fuerst Park until approximately 5pm. This is a private rental event that is open to the public at no cost. The Road Commission for Oakland County has issued a permit to the City allowing use of roadways under County jurisdiction for civic events. The permit is predicated upon the adoption of an Authorizing Resolution by the Novi City Council approving the event and agreeing to the terms of the permit. Permit requirements include hold harmless and indemnity, and represents the Board of Road Commissioners against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim related to the Parade.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval of Resolution to close Ten Mile Road from the Novi Civic Center to Taft Road and Taft Road to Nine Mile from 11:45am to 1:30pm for the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) of Detroit's Festival of the Chariots Parade Saturday, July 24, 2010.

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**RESOLUTION
2010 FESTIVAL OF CHARIOTS PARADE**

- WHEREAS,** International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) of Detroit will present their 25th annual Rath Yatra (Festival of the Chariots) on Saturday, July 24, 2010, from 11:45 am to 1:30 pm; and,
- WHEREAS,** the parade will begin at The Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road and proceed west on 10 Mile, South on Taft Road to 9 Mile, circling back and ending at Fuerst Park; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Novi has been issued an annual permit, the permit number being 52597, by the Road Commission for Oakland County to conduct civic events on roads under the jurisdiction of the RCOC; and
- WHEREAS,** the validity of the permit is conditional upon adoption of an Authorizing Resolution by the Novi City Council for the event and a statement agreeing to the terms of the permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and City Council hereby authorize and support the 2010 Festival of Chariots Parade and will fulfill all permit requirements, save harmless, indemnify, and represent the Board of Road Commissioners against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim arising out of or related to the 2010 Festival of Chariots.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi at a regular meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2010.

Maryanne Cornelius
City Clerk



ISKCON

Founder Acharya

His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

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To City Council

We are pleased to have our 25th Anniversary of the Festival of Chariots in Novi once again this year. The Festival will take place on July 24th, 2010 beginning from the Novi Civic Center. As part of the festival, we are requesting to have our chariot procession along 2 public roads in Novi.

Starting at approximately 11:45 a.m., we would like to make our way onto 10 Mile road from the Novi Civic Center. We will move west towards Taft Road. At Taft Road, the procession will turn south and proceed to just north of 9 Mile (will not cross 9 Mile). The procession will turn around and return to Fuerst Park from the High School parking, and thus will NOT need to return onto 10 Mile Road. We expect to be off Taft Road by approximately 1:45 p.m.

As a reminder, the Festival of Chariots is FREE and completely open to the public. We are inviting residents from all over Novi to attend this festival.

Thank you.

Naimish Patel

Director of Special Events