



**TOWN OF PALMER LAKE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - MEMO SUMMARY**

<b>DATE:</b> September 9, 2021	<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>SUBJECT:</b>
<b>Presented by:</b> Julia Stambaugh, Deputy Town Clerk		SPECIAL EVENT – The 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual 2021 Palmer Lake .5K Run

**Recommended Action**

Approve the event to take place at Palmer Lake as presented to and endorsed by staff

**Background**

The Palmer Lake Restoration Committee is seeking the Board’s approval to allow this event to take place at Palmer Lake Recreation Area. This year’s event will be held on Sunday, October 10, 2021, with a start time of approximately 10:30 am. This annual event is a fundraiser for Awake Palmer Lake, and designed to be a “race for the rest of us”, and is intended to be “a time of fun, good costumes and goodwill.” The route will begin at the east side parking lot, moving around the lake and across the pedestrian bridge. This “full 500-meter walk/run/crawl supported by a donut feed station at the halfway point, to carbo load for that home stretch, and a coupon for an age-appropriate beverage at O’Malley’s.”

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions in 2020, which cancelled the event, the coordinators are unsure as to the number of participants and spectators this year. Their target is around 500 – 700 people. Their staging and tee shirt sales will be setup at the lake’s Pavilion. The finish line will be to the west of the Pedestrian Bridge, where participants, and spectators, can visit sponsor booths/tents. The participants can then move on to O’Malley’s where they can visit additional sponsor booths and redeem their coupons. O’Malley’s will be sponsoring a beer garden on their property. It is not a part of the .5K Run, and no liquor licensing will be required by the event.

There will be 10-15 volunteers along the route to help direct the runners/walkers, as well as direct traffic to the public parking areas. The Police department requests the volunteers guide people to the crosswalks when crossing Highway 105. They, along with Fire, will also be monitoring the area, but instructed the event to dial 911 in the event of an emergency. The event does not anticipate the need for additional portable restrooms. The volunteers will begin clean-up soon after the run is complete.

The event coordinator is also requesting a waiver of the application fee of \$100.