



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action – Resolution No. 19 for 2025 – Harvest Festival 14th Avenue Road Closure

Preferred Agenda: September 23, 2025

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Type of Action: Motion ☐ Resolution ☒ Reading ☐ Roll Call ☐

Relevant Code/Policy: SHMC 10.04.030

Towards Council Goal: Economic Strength

Attachments: Resolution No. 19 for 2025
2025 Harvest Festival Special Event Application
Road Closure Notification

Purpose of this RCA:

To request City Council approval of the attached Resolution authorizing a temporary street closure during the Harvest Festival at Sankey Park on October 4, 2025. The closure is intended to enhance safety by reducing interactions between pedestrians and vehicles during the event.

Background/Context:

The 19th Annual Harvest Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 4, 2025, at Sankey Park on 14th Avenue. A large turnout of attendees and vendors is anticipated, with vendors setting up in the park prior to the event. To improve safety, it is recommended that through traffic be rerouted away from the area while still allowing residential access.

Festival participants will be directed to park in nearby lots with additional parking available in the upper Sankey Park area. Vendors will use designated parking lots, and accessible parking for disabled participants will be provided in the northern lot near the bridge.

If the closure is approved, letters will be sent to residents along 14th Avenue notifying them of the event and closure. Traffic on Hawthorne, Grape, and Fir Streets would remain unaffected.

The Challenge/Problem:

Without approval of appropriate street closures, risks to vendors, staff, and festival attendees from traffic incidents are more likely.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

Local residents may need to use an alternate route to access their residences. There are no financial impacts associated with this request.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

Prioritize attendee safety while minimizing inconvenience to nearby residents.

Options:

1. Do nothing: Traffic will continue on 14th Avenue as normal.
2. Move to approve Resolution No. 19 for 2025: Approve the resolution as presented concerning street closures for the 2025 Harvest Festival.
3. Recommend different traffic control methods on 14th Avenue: Staff would work with the Sweet Home Police Department and the Public Works Department to revise the traffic control plan.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends option #2: Move to approve Resolution No. 19 for 2025 as presented.