

ITEM(S) TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER:

Consent Item     Old Business     New Business     Other

FOR COUNCIL MEETING DATED:	March 10, 2010
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STAFF MAKING REQUEST:	Katie McElroy, Executive Director, Community Partnership for Revitalization (CPR)
BRIEF SUMMARY OF REQUEST:	CPR is requesting the closure of Franklin Street briefly on the morning of Saturday, April 17, 2010, to start the 5K road race/walk in conjunction with the annual "Chug for the Jug" event.  Attached is a letter outlining the request and the event in more detail.
ACTION NEEDED:	Approval / denial of request for closure of Franklin Street as presented by CPR.

Attachment(s): Yes

<b>FOLLOW-UP ACTION:</b> (To be completed by Town Clerk)	<b>GIVEN TO (DEPT. HEAD)</b> (To be completed by Town Clerk)
<b>COMPLETED ACTION: (To be filled in by Town Clerk)</b> (To be completed by Department Head)	<b>GIVEN TO TOWN CLERK:</b> (To be completed by Department Head)
<b>DATE COMPLETED AND ACTION TAKEN:</b>	<b>DATE GIVEN TO TOWN CLERK:</b>



March 1, 2010

The Community Partnership for Revitalization holds an annual run/walk race in Uptown/Downtown Rocky Mount, “Chug for The Jug”. The event consists of a 5K Health-Walk/ Run/ and Kid’s Fun Run. In addition, free health screenings are provided by Carilion to the public at the end of the race.

**We are asking permission to close Franklin Street** briefly on the morning of Saturday, **April 17, 2010**, to start the 5K road race/walk. The race starts in front of the Community Partnership for Revitalization, goes up Franklin Street, crosses North Main Street, continues on North Main, turning at State Street and returning back to the Community Partnership for Revitalization. This follows the same course as the past several years, minus the loop around Spring Street.

**We ask for assistance from the Rocky Mount Police Department** for street closure along Franklin Street for approximately **40 minutes** from 8:25 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. **We have discussed this with Eric Molin and he agreed to the request.** This window allows us to safely move everyone onto the course and our course marshals will slow/stop traffic after the initial push of runners has left the downtown.

This race is sponsored by Franklin Community Bank and Carilion Franklin Memorial Hospital. We partner with the Franklin County Parks & Recreation Department to manage the event. Our working partner is the Star City Striders Running Club of Roanoke who will manage the timing portion of the event.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

Katie McElroy, Executive Director