

TO: Thomas Frutchey, City Manager
Dick McKinley, Public Works Director

FROM: Freda Berman, Maintenance Superintendent/Events Manager

SUBJECT: National Night Out – City Park Event

DATE: May 3, 2016

Needs: For the City Council to consider a request by the Paso Robles Police and Emergency Services Departments to stage National Night Out in City Park on August 2, 2016.

Facts:

1. National Night Out is a free event open to the public promoting public safety – community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Educational information, Police and Emergency Services demonstrations, and vehicle displays are planned from 6 to 8 p.m.
2. The event was first held in Paso Robles in 2014 on Park Street in front of the Public Safety Center. Gaining popularity each year, the 2016 event estimates 250 attendees.
3. The ongoing plan for National Night Out is to build the popularity of the event and in future years move it to Paso Robles neighborhoods where more residents can participate. City Park use would then discontinue.
4. National Night Out will have no hard cost impact to the City. Logistical support and event staffing will be provided through normal daily work schedules.
5. The long-term plan envisions individual neighborhoods hosting their own national night out, as a way to better assist neighborhoods seeking to augment their protection levels.

Analysis &

Conclusion: When adding events to the City Park schedule, it has been important that those events enhance the community and bring positive attention to the City. National Night Out is such an event.

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Impact: No funding is being requested for this event.

Options:

- A. Approve the request by the Police and Emergency Services Departments to stage National Night Out in City Park on August 2, 2016; or
- B. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

(Note: As funding is not required, no resolution is required.)