Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: October 7, 2014

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:
Greg Hamilton, Sheriff

Commissioners Court Sponsor:
Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:
Consider and approve a proclamation for the 31th Annual National Night Out event on October 7, 2014.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

The National Night Out event is a nationwide crime prevention program which promotes cooperation between law enforcement and the community to address crime and drug prevent efforts.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The continued support of the National Night Out Program.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

For citizens to come out on October, leave their porch lights on and get to know their neighbors. It is an opportunity to show criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back and that your neighborhood is a safe place to live.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
None

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, David.Salazar@co.travis.tx.us **by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m.** for the next week's meeting.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The National Association of Town Watch is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime and drug prevention program on October 7, 2014 called "National Night Out";

WHEREAS, National Night Out is designed to: (1) heighten crime awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back;

WHEREAS, The 31th Annual National Night Out provides Travis County a unique opportunity to join forces with thousands of other communities around the world in promoting cooperative police and community crime and drug prevention efforts;

WHEREAS, The Travis County Sheriff's Office plays a vital role in establishing joint crime and drug prevention efforts in Travis County and is supporting National Night Out 2014 locally;

WHEREAS, The Travis County Sheriff's Office encourages all citizens to become aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and the impact their individual and collective participation can have on reducing crime and drug abuse in Travis County; and

WHEREAS, Police-community partnerships and neighborhood safety and awareness cooperation are important themes of the National Night Out program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS OF TRAVIS COUNTY TO JOIN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND OTHER LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, LOCAL BUSINESS SPONSORS AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOWN WATCH IN SUPPORTING THE 30th ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT.

Signed and entered this _____th day of October, 2014.

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SAMUEL T. BISCOE
County Judge

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RON DAVIS
Commissioner, Pct. 1

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BRUCE TODD
Commissioner, Pct. 2

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GERALD DAUGHERTY
Commissioner, Pct. 3

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MARGARET GOMEZ
Commissioner, Pct. 4