

City Council Meeting January 23, 2024

Santa Monica, California

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2773 (CCS)

(City Council Series)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SANTA MONICA AMENDING SECTION 4.68.160 RELATED TO 5K AND 10K RACE
ROUTES IN SANTA MONICA

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2001, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2008 (CCS), adding Chapter 4.68 to the Santa Monica Municipal Code, the Community Events Law; and

WHEREAS, the Community Events Law has been amended and refined on several occasions to ensure the law conforms to constitutional requirements and to enact appropriate modifications to the law based on experience, changing conditions in the City, and community feedback; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes substantial community benefit in community athletic events, including cultural enrichment, promotion of economic vitality, and enhancement of community identity; and

WHEREAS, the Community Events Law has been highly successful in establishing a coordinated process for community events thereby ensuring the health and safety of event patrons, residents, workers, and other visitors and protecting the rights of community event permit holders; and

WHEREAS, adding a new 5K and 10K race route and changing the start time for races from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. will allow for more race participants, will allow organizers to stagger start times more efficiently, and will expedite reopening streets for public access at the conclusion of the event; and

WHEREAS, other provisions of the ordinance remain unchanged, including a restriction on the hours and days of use and the number of races per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 4.68.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The procedures and criteria for conducting races/runs shall be as follows:

(a) There shall be two ten-kilometer routes, and three five-kilometer routes;

(1) The first ten-kilometer route (10K Ocean Route) begins at Beach Park No. 1 (Barnard Way at Ocean Park Boulevard) and continues south to Barnard Way, follows the bend to go east on Marine Street, north on Main Street, west on Colorado Avenue, north on Ocean Avenue, east on San Vicente Boulevard to 14th Street where participants will turn around and go west on San Vicente Boulevard, south on Ocean Avenue to end at the 1500 block of Ocean Avenue (before the entrance to the Pier ramp).

(2) The second ten-kilometer route (10K Ocean-City Route) begins at the 1400 block of Ocean Avenue, south on Ocean Avenue, east on Colorado Avenue, south on Main Street, west on Pier Avenue, south on Nielson Way, east on Barnard Way, north on Main Street, west on Colorado Avenue, north on Ocean Avenue, east on San Vicente Boulevard to 4th Street where participants will turn around and go west on San Vicente Boulevard, south on Ocean Avenue to end at the 1400 block of Ocean Avenue (at Santa Monica Boulevard).

(3) The first five-kilometer route (5K North City Route) begins at Seventh Street and California Avenue, west on California Avenue to Ocean Avenue, north on Ocean Avenue to San Vicente Boulevard, east on San Vicente Boulevard to Seventh Street, south on Seventh Street to Georgina Avenue, west on Georgina Avenue to Fourth Street, south on Fourth Street to California Avenue, east on California Avenue to Seventh Street.

(4) The second five-kilometer route (5K Ocean Route) begins at Beach Park No. 1 (Barnard Way at Ocean Park Boulevard) and continues south on Barnard Way, follows the bend to go east on Marine Street, north on Main Street, west on Colorado Avenue, north on Ocean Avenue to the 1000 block where participants will turn around and continue south on Ocean Avenue to end at the 1500 block of Ocean Avenue (before the entrance to the Pier ramp).

(5) The third five-kilometer route (5K Ocean-City Route) begins at the 1400 block of Ocean Avenue, north on Ocean Avenue, east on San Vicente Boulevard to 4th Street, where participants will turn around and go west on San Vicente Boulevard, south on Ocean Avenue to end at the 1400 block of Ocean Avenue (at Santa Monica Boulevard).

(b) 5K North City Route races may only occur on Saturday mornings from seven a.m. until eleven a.m.

(c) 5K Ocean Route, 10K Ocean Route, 5K Ocean-City Route, and 10K Ocean-City Route races may only occur on Saturday and Sunday mornings from seven a.m. until eleven a.m.

(d) There shall be no more than a total of three 5K and/or 10K races per year in the City regardless of route, with one of these races occurring in May, and two in

September, October, or November separated by at least seven weeks. The use of both the 5K and 10K Ocean Routes on the same day by the same organizer with simultaneous or staggered starts shall be considered as one race.

(e) With the exception of one 5K race on the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day using the 5K North City Route, there shall be no races on holidays or holiday weekends including Memorial Day and the preceding weekend, Labor Day and the preceding weekend, and Thanksgiving Day and the subsequent weekend including the Friday following Thanksgiving Day.

(f) No vehicular races shall be permitted.

(g) Events which include multiple modes of travel (e.g., running and bicycling) shall be permitted so long as the start times for different modes of travel are staggered.

(h) Prior to the issuance of a community event permit, City staff shall determine the specific portions or lanes of the roadway that may be used by the participants. This determination shall be based on safety considerations and the preservation of access to businesses and other scheduled activities along the route.


(i) In addition to the routes established by subsection (a) of this Section, races/runs may be permitted on other streets in the City so long as the majority of the race/run occurs outside of the City and that portion of the race/run within the City does not exceed one-half mile in length. Races permitted pursuant to this subsection shall not be subject to the time/frequency requirements established in subsections (b) and (c) of this Section.

SECTION 2. Any provision of the Santa Monica Municipal Code or appendices thereto inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, is hereby repealed or modified to that extent necessary to effect the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any portion of the ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

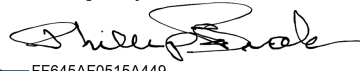
SECTION 4. The Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the passage of this Ordinance. The City Clerk shall cause the same to be published once in the official newspaper within 15 days after its adoption. This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days from its adoption.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Douglas Sloan, City Attorney

Approved and adopted this 23rd day of January, 2024.

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 Phil Brock, Mayor

State of California)
 County of Los Angeles) ss.
 City of Santa Monica)


I, Nikima Newsome, Interim City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2773 (CCS) had its introduction on December 19, 2023 and was adopted at the Santa Monica City Council meeting held on January 23, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers de la Torre, Torosis, Davis, Parra, Zwick
 Mayor Pro Tem Negrete, Mayor Brock

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

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 Nikima Newsome, Interim City Clerk

1/24/2024

 Date

A summary of Ordinance No. 2773 (CCS) was duly published pursuant to California Government Code Section 40806.