

Events Planning Process

Ideas for consideration--CONSOLIDATION

Designated Routes

- Create designated race routes and political rally routes
- Create designated event spaces
- Limit number of events on isthmus
- Protect important bus routes-protect the routes from events
- Utilize shuttle buses to move people to event sites
- Remove bus routes from Square
- Provide free B-Cycle access on event days
- Do not close major thoroughfares like John Nolan Drive
- Consider alternative venues for events (schools, businesses, industrial parks, etc)

Specific start times, days

- Start events earlier to avoid traffic delays and limit bus route changes
- Focus events on specific days, like Sunday, when traffic is lighter downtown
- Fine-tune or limit the length of times when major roads are closed

Flexible Fee structure

- Create flexible / multi-tiered fee structure based on geography, event complexity and size
- Provide lower fees for events away from downtown
- Provide incentives to use dedicated race or event sites
- Prioritize non-profit events
- Create a fund for fees to assist events that can't afford actual fees
- Ensure events are accessible and welcoming to all.

Notification process

- Alder notification consistency
- More frequent notification of neighborhood associations
- Traffic management plans and announcements of road closures
- Create phone app to notify of events, bus re-routing and road construction

Moratorium

- No new events for 2019
- Establish criteria for adding new events at locations or on dates already at capacity
- Review impacts of events on neighborhoods and diverse populations

Noise levels

- Create specific noise level maximums
- Enforce noise level maximums
- Designate spaces for noisy events and quiet events

Other Improvement Ideas

- Create an "Event Police Force"—special group to support police
- Create designated Event Team or Office
- Say "No"
- Lottery selection process for peak times of events
- Create "Hold Dates" and identify common (duplicative) calendar dates
- Create criteria for defining legacy events