



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Roll Call No.	<u>11-918</u>
Communication No.	<u>11-325</u>
Submitted by:	Richard A. Clark, City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Amending Chapter 70, Section 74, Article III of the Municipal Code regarding swimming in a river or other unsupervised place.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the amendments to Chapter 70, Section 74, Article III of the Municipal Code regarding swimming in a river or other unsupervised place. This proposed amendment would allow the City Council to authorize by resolution swimming in the Des Moines River or Raccoon River if the person has obtained a permit from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, or in any other unsupervised place within the city or within a city-owned park, by written permission of the Park and Recreation Director.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Hy-Vee Inc. along with the World Triathlon Corporation will be hosting the Hy-Vee Triathlon 5150 U.S. Championship in downtown Des Moines on September 4, 2011. Hy-Vee has requested the Elite Cup swim portion of this triathlon to be held in the Des Moines River from the Grand Avenue Bridge to the Court Avenue Bridge. This ordinance amendment is being requested to allow the Elite cup triathletes to swim in the Des Moines River.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Second and third readings of the ordinance.

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