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Memo

To: Members of Dublin City Council
From: Dana L. McDaniel, City Manager 
Initiated By: Alison LeRoy, Event Manager
Date: September 8, 2016
Re: Permission to serve alcohol for 2016 RAAM Ohio Cycling Challenge

Summary

For the sixth straight year, Race Across America (RAAM) will hold one of the organization's Midwest qualifying events in Dublin. The annual Race Across America is a transcontinental bicycle race starting on the west coast and finishing on the east coast, covering 3,000 miles. The other cities hosting events are Austin, Texas; Oceanside, California; and Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The RAAM Ohio Cycling Challenge will offer a 200 and 400-mile race that will run throughout the evening hours, and through the state of Ohio. The events will all begin and end in Coffman Park and will start on Friday, September 16 and conclude on Sunday, September 18.

This year, the event expects to draw at least 200 participants. The races will draw participants and their crews and families from throughout the region.

The committee has requested that beer be served by a licensed caterer during their closing banquet at the Coffman Park amphitheater. This banquet will be private, open only to the riders, and will take place from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

Staff has met with the organizers and are confident that they will follow all State of Ohio laws in serving alcohol. There have been no issues in the past.

Recommendation

Staff is requesting a motion from Dublin City Council to approve the serving of beer in Coffman Park for the 2016 RAAM Ohio Cycling Challenge on Sunday, September 18, 2016.