

ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL

Meeting of August 20, 2009

TO: The Honorable Jeff Danner, Chair and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: Amending Ordinance No. 702-G to establish "Race Days" for future Honda Grand Prix Automobile Races

EXPLANATION: Pursuant to the City's Agreement with Andretti Green Promotions, L.L.C., to produce and conduct an annual automobile race on city streets and public lands, City Council adopted ordinance No. 702-G on December 9, 2004. Among other things Ordinance No. 702-G is considered a permit for a racing event under State Statutes, establishes a Race Zone (e.g. areas inside the event) and a Clean Zone (e.g. areas within a one block distance outside of the Race Area) and identifies specific days and times, "Race Days", when regulations will be in effect.

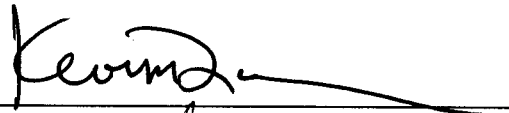
The proposed amendment incorporates the "Race Days" for the 2010 race, March 30 through April 2, and those anticipated for future years through the term of the current Agreement with Andretti Green. The Indy Racing League ("IRL") officially announced the 2010 race schedule on July 31, 2009. The 2010 season begins in Brazil, on March 14 and the City of St. Petersburg remains the first North American race on the schedule. For 2010 our race has been moved to the last Sunday in March (March 28) since our traditional first Sunday of April race date will be Easter Sunday.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends City Council approve the attached ordinance.

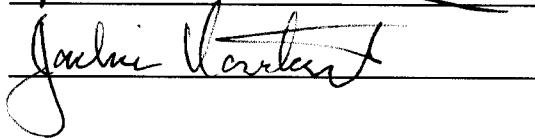
Attachments: Proposed Ordinance

APPROVALS:

Administrative:



Legal:



AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION THREE OF ORDINANCE NO. 702-G ESTABLISHING RACE DAYS FOR FUTURE GRAND PRIX AUTOMOBILE RACES DURING WHICH RACE ZONE AND CLEAN ZONE REGULATIONS AND OTHER REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 702-G on December 9, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 702-G established a Race Zone and Clean Zone and regulations to be in effect in each; and

WHEREAS, Section Three of Ordinance No. 702-G establishes the "Race Days" during which these Race Zone and Clean Zone regulations and other regulations shall be in effect.

THE CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1: SECTION THREE of Ordinance No. 702-G is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION THREE: Both the Clean Zone and the Race Zone shall be in effect on the "Race Days" which shall begin at 12:01 a.m. and end at midnight on the following dates:

~~March 30, 2006 through April 2, 2006; and~~
~~March 29, 2007 through April 1, 2007; and~~
~~April 3, 2008 through April 6, 2008; and~~
~~April 2, 2009 through April 5, 2009~~

March 25, 2010 through March 28, 2010
March 31, 2011 through April 3, 2011
March 29, 2012 through April 1, 2012
April 4, 2013 through April 7, 2013
April 3, 2014 through April 6, 2014

If the race is postponed to a later date due to inclement weather, then the Race Days shall be extended to midnight of the day the race concludes.

Section 2: All other provisions of Ordinance No. 702-G shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3: Language which is underlined represents additions and the language which is ~~struck through~~ represents deletions.

Section 4: In the event this Ordinance is not vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, it shall become effective upon the expiration of the fifth business day after adoption unless the Mayor notifies the City Council through written notice filed with City Clerk that the Mayor will not veto the Ordinance, in which case the Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon filing such written notice with the City Clerk. In the event this Ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, in which case it shall become effective immediately upon a successful vote to override the veto.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:



City Attorney (Designee)