

TO: Mayor Robinson and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Color Run

DATE: August 29, 2016

BACKGROUND

I was contacted by Mary Kay Barsness, the Junior Class Advisor for Cannon Falls High School about their desire to add color to the run the junior class has held previously. The run is the Bomber Blast 5K which has been an annual event held by the junior class at Cannon Falls High School for the last three years. Typically there are between 100-150 runners. It is their hope to bring in more of the community with a "Fun run." Fun runs generally have a theme the hope for the group is to do a color run. The color is a chalk like substance made of non-hazardous food coloring mixed with corn starch.

The run this year will be Sunday, October 2nd, we would like to add color to the event. The color, while bright, will blow away with the breeze or wash away with the rain, but until then will leave colors on the pavement. In past years, they have simply made us aware of our plans and the race has occurred without any issues. This year, because of the color that will temporarily be left behind, the organizers are requesting permission from the City before adding color to the event.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Motion and approval for the Junior Class to add color to their run planned for October 2, 2016.