



## MEMORANDUM

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Date: May 7, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Brian L. Barroso  
City Manager

CC: Marcus Davila, Director of Community Services

From: Kelli Funkhouser, Special Events Manager

Subject: **File ID: 26-5290 - Recommendation to approve the “37<sup>th</sup> Annual Hemingway 5K Sunset Run ” on Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.**

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### **Introduction**

The City Manager’s Office requests the approval of the “37<sup>th</sup> Annual Hemingway 5K Sunset Run” on Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. (setup beginning at 6:45 p.m.) starting and ending at United and Whitehead Streets.

### **Background**

The City Manager’s Office has received an application from “Hemingway Sunset Run & Paddleboard Race LLC” for their 37th Annual “Hemingway 5K Sunset Run” on Saturday, July 25, 2026. Registration and awards will take place at the Southernmost Beach Café. The race will begin near the original Southernmost Point at the intersection of United and Whitehead Street, run along Whitehead to Truman Waterfront and back to end at United and Whitehead Streets. Funds raised go toward the Key West Sunrise Rotary to provide scholarships to Key West High School students. The applicant has agreed to abide by City Codes and Ordinances, including providing insurance.

### **Procurement**

There will be no additional expenses to the city as all service costs (Police/Fire/Community Services) are covered by the applicant, based on the Special Event Matrix.

### **Recommendation**

The City Manager’s Office recommends the Mayor and Commission approve the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Hemingway 5K Sunset Run on Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. beginning and ending at United and Whitehead Streets.