



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Sheriff's Office  
**Department No.:** 032  
**For Agenda Of:** 02/14/2017  
**Placement:** Set Hearing  
**Estimated Time:** 2/28/2017 – 15 Minutes  
3/7/2017 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Bill Brown, Sheriff-Coroner  
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Contact Info: Kelly Moore, Commander of South County Operations  
**SUBJECT:** Ordinance Amendment to County Code Article VI Chapter 6 Related to Outdoor Festivals

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:**

As to form: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

On February 14, 2017, set a public hearing on the Departmental Agenda of February 28, 2017 to consider recommendations, as follows:

On February 28, 2017:

- a) Consider the introduction (first reading) of an Ordinance amending Section 6-70.01 of Article VI Chapter 6 of the Santa Barbara County Code related to the timing of “outdoor festivals”;
- b) Read the title and waive the reading of the Ordinance in full; and
- c) Set a hearing on the administrative agenda of March 7, 2017 to consider recommendations, as follows:
  - i) Consider the adoption (second reading) of an Ordinance amending Section 6-70.01 of Article VI Chapter 6 of the Santa Barbara County Code related to the timing of “outdoor festivals”; and
  - ii) Determine that the above action is not a project pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

**Summary Text:**

The Office of the Sheriff-Coroner requests the Board of Supervisors to consider amending Section 6-70.01 of Article VI of Chapter 6 of the Santa Barbara County Code related to Outdoor Festivals. The amendment will clarify and add dates so that the county ordinance may be in effect during future Deltopia events as it has been an effective enforcement tool--significantly reducing arrests and citations, medical transports, and law enforcements calls for services.

**Background:**

The Deltopia event historically occurs the first Friday, Saturday, and Sunday following the first day of instruction of the Spring Quarter for the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB). For 2017, the anticipated Deltopia dates are Friday, April 7, Saturday, April 8, and Sunday, April 9, 2017. A review of the enforcement tools for this year’s Deltopia event showed that these dates are not presently covered by Chapter 6. The Sheriff’s Office has reviewed UCSB’s approved academic calendars from 2017 to 2023. With the addition of six dates in April to Chapter 6, this tool (infraction citation) will be available for deputies to utilize this year and going forward.

In 2013 and 2014, the Deltopia event associated with UCSB’s post-spring break period, resulted in the amassing of huge crowds and significant lawlessness, personal injury and damage to public and private property in the Isla Vista community. The Deltopia 2014 event deteriorated into a major civil unrest incident which amounted to a significant number of arrests, citations, medical transports, and calls for service. In 2013, the crowd at Deltopia was estimated to be 15,000 to 18,000 people and in 2014, the crowd was estimated at 20,000 to 25,000 people.

In 2015, your Board approved the addition of six dates in April to County Code section 60-7.01 which prohibits outdoor festivals (as defined) from occurring. The existing dates in the Ordinance were for specific dates in October and November addressing Halloween.

In 2015 and 2016, the Deltopia events resulted in significantly smaller crowds, less lawlessness, fewer personal injuries and reduced damage to public and private property in the Isla Vista community which resulted in a dramatic reduction in the number of arrests, citations, medical transports, and calls for services. The reduction was due in part to this enhanced tool (“Outdoor festival” Sec. 6-70.01). The crowd at Deltopia in 2015 was estimated to be approximately 10,000 people and for 2016, the estimate was about 3,500 people.

<b>Deltopia</b>	<b>Arrests and Citations</b>	<b>Medical Transports</b>	<b>Law Enforcement Calls for Service</b>
<b>2013</b>	138	44	340
<b>2014</b>	470	50	520
<b>2015</b>	242	9	402
<b>2016</b>	93	10	295

The Sheriff’s Office believes that the Outdoor Festival code section is a beneficial tool to control problems that jeopardize public safety, lawlessness, criminal activity including potential riots, assaults and fighting during future Deltopia events, as is evident in the past two years.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:** N/A

**Special Instructions:** Clerk of the Board shall fulfill noticing requirements and publish a legal notice at least 10 days prior to the hearing on February 28, 2017. The notice should appear in the Santa Barbara News Press.

**Attachments:**

- A. Ordinance amending Chapter 6 (Underline current ordinance dates)
- B. Ordinance amending Chapter 6 (Clean Copy with added dates)
- C. 2015 Board Letter and Ordinance Amendment

**Authored by:** Kelly Moore, Sheriff's Commander