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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: July 22, 2026

SUBMITTED BY: Kelly Thomas, Event Review Committee

ITEM TYPE: Special Event

AGENDA SECTION: NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Manatee River Turkey Trot

SUGGESTED ACTION: Event Review Committee recommends approval with the following stipulations: Florida Department of Transportation road closure approval, City of Palmetto approval, 5 Bradenton Police Department Extra Duty Officers, 1 City of Bradenton Public Works Sanitation Staff, 2 City of Bradenton Public Works Staff and compliance of all COB Special Event Standards.

Is this item Quasi-Judicial?

No

Does this item require a public hearing?

No

EXPLANATION:

Big Bill Foundation has requested approval for their Manatee River Turkey Trot 5K to be held on Thanksgiving, November 26, 2026. The 5K run will go from Palmetto (Marriott), over the DeSoto Bridge into Bradenton and return on U.S. 41. This is a first-time event and event sponsors anticipates 1,500-2,000 runners.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTORNEY REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION:

Motion to approve Manatee River Turkey Trot event with the stipulations

recommended by staff.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Application and Site Plan](#)