

RESOLUTION NO. 18-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA RELATED TO THE "IRONMAN FLORIDA TRIATHLON"; AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE EAST BOUND LANE OF FRONT BEACH ROAD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017 FROM 1-4 PM FOR THE EVENT.

WHEREAS, the Ironman Florida is hosting the 19th annual Ironman Florida Triathlon, a swim, 26.2K run and 112 mile bike event (the "Event") on Saturday, November 4, 2017, for which the City Council has already authorized extraordinary traffic control on affected roads through the adoption of Resolution 17-134; and

WHEREAS, the current Front Beach Road Segment Two Improvement Project Event creates a challenging section for cyclist and vehicles to maintain their proper lanes curing the IRONMAN, such that the Race Director has requested to detour vehicular traffic on Front Beach Road traveling eastbound via Churchwell Drive between the hours of 1pm and 4pm on the Saturday of the Event; and

WHEREAS, the City owns and controls this portion of Front Beach Road, such that the Council is authorized to take the requested action.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Panama City Beach that during the hours of 1:00 P.M. and 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, November 4, 2017, the eastbound lane of Front Beach Road from Churchwell Drive to South Thomas Drive shall be closed to vehicular traffic, which shall be redirected to Churchwell Drive, to allow IRONMAN cyclists to use that eastbound lane, per the attached map which accompanies this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED IN REGULAR SESSION THIS this 26th day of October, 2017.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH

By: 

Mike Thomas, Mayor

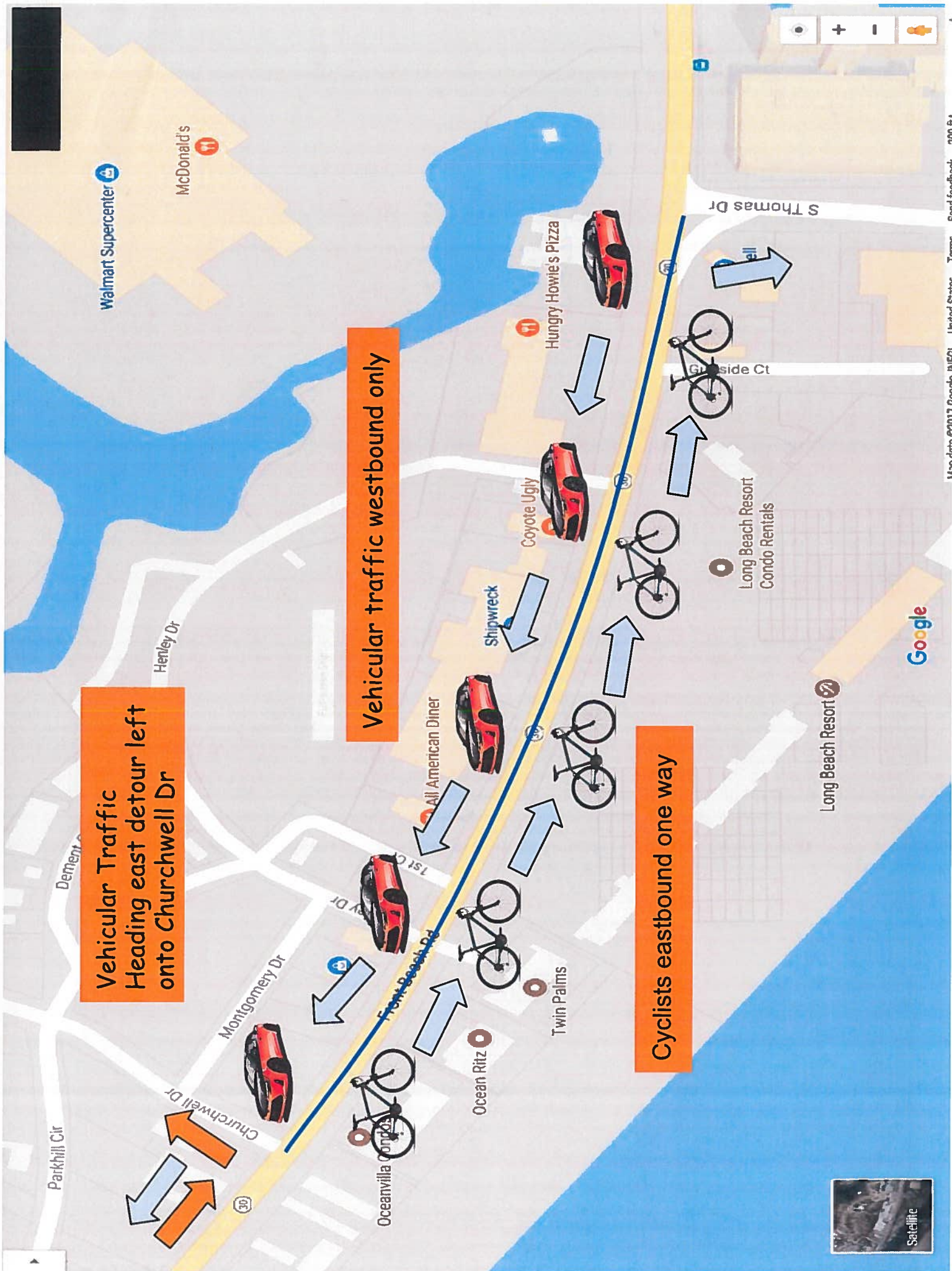
ATTEST:


Jo Smith, City Clerk

Vehicular Traffic
Heading east detour left
onto Churchwell Dr

Vehicular traffic westbound only

Cyclists eastbound one way



Jo Smith

From: Ben Rausa <Ben.Rausa@ironman.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 8:47 PM
To: Jo Smith
Cc: Beth Atnip
Subject: IRONMAN Florida Bike Course
Attachments: Ironman bike detour.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Good Morning Jo,

Attached is the map I designed to explain our request to the PCB Commission Meeting on Thursday October 25th. As you know I had a conversation with Mario and he agrees it is a viable detour with minimal impact on vehicular traffic making the route safer for all. I will be visiting Chief Whitman / Capt. Maddox prior to the meeting for their recommendations.

The reason for the request is the current road improvement project between S. Thomas Drive and Churchwell Drive on Front Beach Road. This section of road creates a very challenging section for cyclists and vehicles to maintain their proper lanes during IRONMAN Florida. We are asking to detour vehicular traffic east bound via Churchwell Drive between the hours of 1pm - 4pm. West bound vehicular traffic will maintain their normal route without crossing cyclists on Front Beach Drive. East bound vehicles will detour using Churchwell Drive. We will be using a local traffic control vender to execute this detour during the event. This detour will make this area safer for all cyclists and vehicles using Front Beach Drive during these hours.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

If there are any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me directly

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