RESOLUTION NO. 19-69

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA RELATED TO THE "IRONMAN 70.3 GULF COAST" TRIATHLON; AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PORTIONS OF RICHARD JACKSON BOULEVARD, WEST PARK DRIVE AND PIER PARK DRIVE ON SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019; AUTHORIZING CAREFUL TRAFFIC CONTROL AND EXTRAORDINARY USAGE OF PORTIONS OF FRONT BEACH ROAD, MIDDLE BEACH ROAD, SR 79, AND BAY PARKWAY ON MAY 11, 2019, FOR THE EVENT; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Ironman Florida is hosting the Ironman 70.3 Gulf Coast, a 1.2 mile swim, 13.1 mile run and 56 mile bike event (the "Event") on Saturday, May 11, 2019 in Panama City Beach; and

WHEREAS, the Event necessitates careful traffic control and extraordinary usage of Richard Jackson Blvd, Middle Beach Road, Front Beach Road, West Park Drive, Pier Park Drive, Bay Parkway, and State Road 79, in the corporate limits of Panama City Beach.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Panama City Beach that:

1. Richard Jackson Blvd. between Middle Beach Road and Front Beach Road, and portions of West Park Drive and Pier Park Drive shall be closed to vehicular traffic for the Event during the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

2. During the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 11, 2019, all vehicular traffic shall be rerouted or otherwise controlled on certain sections of Richard Jackson Boulevard., Middle Beach Road, Bay Parkway west to SR 79, SR 79 north to the City limits, and from SR79 east on Front Beach Road per the attached maps which accompany this Resolution to accommodate the Event.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED IN REGULAR SESSION THIS this 28th day of March, 2019.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH

By: Mike Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Jan Bosser, City Clerk

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TURN BY TURN DIRECTIONS
- Exit transition at West Gate
- Turn left on Front Beach Road
- Left turn Front Beach Road / Hutchinson Blvd intersection
- Right turn onto W. Park Drive / Pier Park Drive continuing on to Bay Parkway
- Right turn on Hwy 79N
- Continue on Hwy 79N to turnaround (6.7 miles north of Hwy 79 & Hwy 20)
- Continue on Hwy 79S to Front Beach Road
- Left turn onto Front Beach Road
- Right turn at Front Beach Road / Hutchinson Blvd intersection
- Right turn into Edgewater Beach Resort Property (West Gate)
- Enter transition

LEGEND
- Transition Area
- Start Line
- Finish Line
- Mile Markers
- U-Turn
- Water/Aid Station

Start Elevation: 4 ft • Finishing Elevation: 138 ft • Gain: 29 ft
Lt. Bruhmiller -

We are requesting the same closure as last year. From Middle Beach / Front Beach merge east to the Maintenance exit at the Edgewater Property. The lane on the curb (south side of road) will be closed for runners while the left eastbound lane will be open to vehicular traffic. Our traffic control personnel will be placing cones on Middle Beach as well as any required signs.

Middle Beach is 4 lanes (2 eastbound 2 westbound) we are only asking to utilize 1 eastbound lane closest to the curb on the south side of the road.
TO: City of PANAMA CITY BEACH  
FROM: IRONMAN 70.3 GULF COAST  
SUBJECT: TEMPOARY ROAD CLOSURE  

City of Panama City beach Commission  

March 11, 2019  

In preparation for the 37th running of IRONMAN 70.3 Gulf Coast triathlon we are in the planning / permitting phase of the event process. While this event has a long history of running in Panama City Beach, we continue to improve the event with continued feedback from the community and all agencies we coordinate with. While this event continues to grow, we look for ways to improve the event experience with everyone effected. Last year we were able to make changes to the courses to help with traffic congestion as well as the impact on the community. We are requesting permission to use property and roads located in Panama City Beach, Florida.

While the swim and bike courses remained the same, we have made minor changes to the run course which continue to improve the event experience for all athletes and residents alike. We are again requesting a single lane closure on Middle Beach Road from the Front Beach / Middle Beach merge going east to the maintenance exit of the Edgewater Beach Resort property. (See Attachment)

Explanation of work for the lane closure are as followed:

Request the east bound lane (south side of road along the curb) traveling east be closed to allow runners to use the lane for the course. On May 11, 2019 between the hours of 6am – 4pm vehicular traffic traveling east will be limited to one lane while there will be no effect on west bound traffic. This is the same course used in 2018 which we received positive feedback with the event operation from the community. We are working closely with the PCBPD, FDOT, and several businesses to ensure we have a minimal impact on traffic within the area of the event at the Edgewater Beach Resort properties at 11212 Front Beach Drive.

We appreciate the continued support of the city of Panama City Beach community and we are proud to be an intricate part of our community's recovery from Hurricane Michael.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly with any concerns related to IRONMAN 70.3 Gulf Coast triathlon.

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IRONMAN 70.3 Gulf Coast  
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