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PRESS RELEASE

City to host a special socially-distant Mother's Day weekend in downtown Winter Park

WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (May 4, 2020) In celebration of Mother's Day weekend and the careful reopening of the state, the City of Winter Park will be hosting a special, socially-distant shopping and dining experience throughout the city. Any restaurant establishment in the city limits that would like to extend their services outdoors during Mother's Day weekend, must fill out an application by Wednesday, May 6. The application can be found at cityofwinterpark.org/MomsDayApplication. Retail businesses are approved to have one table OR one rack outdoors without a permit. If more than one rack or table is desired, an application would need to be submitted for the city to review and approve.

To facilitate the safe outdoor seating in downtown, beginning Friday, May 8, at 4 p.m., through Sunday, May 10, at 11 p.m., the following streets will be closed:

- Park Avenue (south of Swoope Avenue to Fairbanks Avenue)
- New England Avenue (between Pennsylvania and Virginia avenues)
- Morse Boulevard (between Center Street and New York Avenue)

In compliance with Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-112, restaurants who wish to participate can extend their dining experience outdoors to maintain the 6' required distance between patrons. Adhering to the 25% of indoor capacity requirement, retail stores can also host a mini-sidewalk sale, giving attendees an opportunity to treat their shopping withdrawals by offering a small dose of socially-distant retail therapy. It will be the responsibility of each business to ensure the social distancing requirement is met by their customers at all times.

"As we continue to take methodical steps to reopen the city following the states guidelines, we are hosting this special weekend to not only help our business community, but to also give the public a chance to support our local businesses, celebrate Mother's Day, and practice social distancing to make this a safe and enjoyable success," said Michelle Neuner, Assistant City Manager.

For more information about this special weekend, please email licensing@cityofwinterpark.org.

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