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PRESS RELEASE

Downtown roads to be closed for various holiday events

WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (November 30, 2020) Downtown Winter Park roads will be closed on various dates and times for several community holiday events. Please make note of the following road closures prior to traveling around downtown Winter Park Thursday, December 3, through Sunday, December 6. We request that all patrons adhere to COVID-19 safety protocols during city events, including social distancing, festive face coverings and hand sanitizing.

Thursday, December 3

Memories of Christmas in the Park

- Garfield Avenue will be closed from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Friday, December 4

Winter on the Avenue

featuring the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony and Popcorn Flicks

The following roads will close to through traffic at 2 p.m. and will remain closed through Sunday, December 6, at 7 p.m.:

- Park Avenue - from West Canton to Fairbanks avenues
- Morse Boulevard - from South Knowles to South New York avenues
- Lincoln and East Welbourne avenues – from Center Street to South Park Avenue

The following road will close to through traffic from 4 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Friday, December 4, and Saturday, December 5.

- New England Avenue – from South Virginia to South Pennsylvania avenues

Saturday, December 5

68th annual "Ye Olde Hometown" Christmas Parade

In addition to the above mentioned road closures, the following roads will also close at 6 a.m. for the duration of the parade:

- Park Avenue between Webster and Comstock avenues
- Side streets at the Park Avenue intersections along the parade route
- New York Avenue between Canton and Webster avenues
- New England Avenue will also reopen after the Christmas Parade is complete.

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During the road closures, with the exception of the Christmas Parade, retailers and restaurants can extend their merchandise and dining areas into the street for patrons to enjoy the outdoors.

Any restaurant establishment in the city limits that would like to extend their services outdoors during this weekend must fill out an application by **Wednesday, December 2**. Restaurants and/or retailers that have already applied for the previously held outdoor dining weekends do not need to do so again unless their requested table layout has changed. The application can be accessed at cityofwinterpark.org/RoadClosureApp. Retail businesses are approved to have one table OR one rack outdoors without a permit. More than one rack or table will require an [application](#).

Additional road closure weekends will occur on the following dates in 2021:

- January 15-17
- February 12-14
- March 19-21
- April 2-4

For convenient public parking locations during the weekend road closures in downtown Winter Park, please access the [Parking Map during Economic Recovery Road Closures](#).

Please remember at all city gatherings to:

- Wear your face masks/coverings.
- Keep a safe 6' social distance from others.
- Wash your hands at the hand-washing and sanitizing stations available in each park.

Watch for additional holiday celebrations and activities at cityofwinterpark.org/events.

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