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DATE: 11/15/2017

SUBJECT: Christmas City of the North Parade

BY: Lt. Mike Ceynowa NATURE OF INCIDENT:

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE:

INCIDENT TIME: 6:25 PM INCIDENT LOCATION:

On Friday November 17th the Christmas City of the North Parade will be held in Downtown Duluth. This year's Parade starts at 6:25 pm and utilizes 13 blocks of Superior Street, from 9th Avenue East to 4th Avenue West.

Parade units will begin lining up at 4pm along London Road between 10th Ave E - 14th Ave E, and the upper side of London Road from 14th Ave E -17th Ave E. The Parade then moves up to 9th Ave E for the start, continues West on Superior Street to 4th Ave W where Parade units disperse -marching bands down to Michigan Street, and floats west to 5th Ave West.

ROAD CLOSURES:

London Road will close to vehicle traffic at 4pm from 10th Ave E - 14th Ave E, including 12th and 13th Ave E.

Superior Street AND Michigan Street will close to vehicle traffic at 5:45pm, Vehicles will be allowed to exit Michigan Street lots and ramps, but will be directed down to the 5th Ave W Off Ramp.

NO PARKING:

Please be aware of the following parking restrictions. Violators will be tagged and towed.

No Parking after 10am ... 5 meters in front of the Pickwick near Superior Street on the East side.

No Parking after 12 noon ... The meters on the upper side of Fitger's Inn

No Parking after 3pm ... London Road, both sides, from 10th Ave E to 14th Ave E

... London Road, upper side, from 14th Ave E to 17th Ave E

... 12th and 13th Ave E from London Road to Superior Street

... Jefferson Street from13th to 14th Ave E

... The Rose Garden Parking Lot

No Parking after 4pm ... Michigan Street from 5th Ave W to 4th Ave W.

No Parking after 5pm ... Superior Street from 10th Ave E to 5th Ave W

DTA:

Will use 1st Street for Westbound runs and 2nd Street for Eastbound runs.

JEFFERSON BUS LINES:

Buses will be allowed access to the Duluth Transportation Center on Michigan Street.

DETOURS:

Superior Street East bound traffic will be detoured up to 2nd Street at 6th Ave West to continue East bound. West bound traffic will be sent up 14th Ave E from London Road, and up 10th Ave E from Superior Street to continue West bound on 1st Street.

Lake Avenue will be blocked off at 1st Street and at the freeway ramps on the Lake Ave Viaduct. Access to Canal Park, Park Point, and the DECC will be DOWN 5th AVENUE WEST to the connector to Railroad Street, and from the freeway exits onto 5th Ave W and South Lake Ave.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL ACCESS:

If coming FROM THE EAST: Take 1st Street directly to the Hospital. Use either the parking ramp on the lower side of 1st Street between 10th - 12th Avenues East, or the Emergency Department on the upper side of 1st Street between 10th and 9th Avenues East.

If coming FROM THE WEST: Take 2nd Street East to 10th Ave E, turn down to 1st Street, turn right to the Emergency Department entrance on the upper side of 1st Street. To access the Parking Ramp, take 2nd Street East to 12th Avenue East, turn down to 1st Street, turn right to Ramp on the lower side of 1st Street.

SUGGESTED PARADE PARKING:

For the convenience of the thousands of people who converge on the Downtown for this annual event, free parade parking is being offered again after 5:00PM at the following ramps:

- Fourth Avenue Auto Park—402 W. Michigan Street
- Duluth Transportation Center—228 W. Michigan Street
- US Bank Ramp—230 W. Michigan Street
- Civic Center Ramp—410 W. First Street
- Tech Village Ramp—10 E. First Street
- 1st and 1st Lot-- 123 East First Street
- Medical District Ramp—302 E. First Street
- Fitger's---600 E. Superior Street
- Phoenix Parking Lot---98 N. 4th Ave West
- St. Luke's Hospital Ramp—1020 E. First Street
- St. Luke's Employee Parking Lot—119 N. 12th Ave East

Parking Meters will be free after 5:30pm.

Downtown traffic should return to normal by approximately 8:30 pm.

Drivers are urged to use caution when driving in the area of this event.