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## City of Duluth issues Traffic Plan for the Drive-Thru Bentleyville Tour of Lights Event

[Duluth, MN] The Drive-Thru Bentleyville Tour of Lights will open this Saturday, November 21, and run through December 27. Due to concerns over COVID-19, this year's Bentleyville is drive-through only, with access to the event significantly different from previous years. This year, drivers must access the event from Garfield Avenue and approach Bentleyville from the eastbound lane of Railroad Street. Drivers should look for signs to assist them in getting to the event. There will be no access to Bentleyville from 5th Avenue West or Lake Avenue this year. Portions of 5th Avenue West near the DECC will close during the event. Drivers leaving Bentleyville will be directed to exit the event onto Harbor Drive.

Most GPS and computer mapping devices will not give correct directions to access the event. Motorists should follow the directions listed below in this advisory or on the Bentleyville website instead of following their GPS directions.

Motorists who approach Bentleyville from the wrong direction will be directed to Garfield Avenue to turn around and line up for access.

While traffic will likely back up on the eastbound lane of Railroad Street during peak times of the event, motorists should be aware that parking is not allowed on Railroad Street.

Access to Pier B Resort and other Railroad Street businesses will remain open during the event, but traffic congestion may cause delays.

The event will open each night at 5:00 p.m. The event will close at 9:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and close at 10:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturdays. For additional information on the Drive-Thru Bentleyville Tour of Lights, please visit <a href="http://www.bentleyvilleusa.org">www.bentleyvilleusa.org</a>.

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