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DATE: 11/15/2016

SUBJECT: Christmas City of the North Parade Traffic Advisory

BY: Duluth Police Department Public Information Officer Ron Tinsley (218) 730-5722

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Media/Public Notification

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE: 11/18/2016

INCIDENT TIME: Start Time 6:25 p.m.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Downtown Duluth-Superior Street

On Friday, November 18th, the Christmas City of the North Parade will be held in Downtown Duluth. The parade will travel down Superior Street from 9th Avenue East to 4th Avenue West starting at 6:25 p.m.

Parade units will begin lining up at 4:00 p.m. along London Road between 10th Avenue East to 14th Avenue East, and the upper side of London Road from 14th Avenue East to 17th Avenue East. The parade then travels up to 9th Avenue East for the start, continues West on Superior Street to 4th Avenue West where parade units disperse -marching bands down to Michigan Street, and floats west to 5th Avenue West.

ROAD CLOSURES:

London Road will close to vehicle traffic at 4:00 p.m. from 10th Avenue East to 14th Avenue East, including 12th and 13th Avenue East.

Superior Street and Michigan Street will close to vehicle traffic at 5:45 p.m. Vehicles will be allowed to exit Michigan Street lots and ramps, but will be directed down to the 5th Avenue West off ramp.

NO PARKING:

- Please be aware of the following parking restrictions. Violators will be tagged and towed.
- No Parking after 10:00 a.m. at the five meters in front of the Pickwick near Superior Street on the East side.
- No Parking after 12:00 p.m. The meters on the upper side of Fitger's Inn
- No Parking after 3:00 p.m. London Road, both sides, from 10th Avenue East to 14th Avenue East
- 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 from 13th to 14th Ave E
- The Rose Garden Parking Lot
- No Parking after 4:00 p.m. - Michigan Street from 5th Avenue West to 4th Avenue West
- No Parking after 5:00 p.m. - Superior Street from 10th Avenue East to 5th Avenue West

Duluth Transit Authority:

The DTA buses will use 1st Street for west bound runs and 2nd Street for east bound 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 Avenue West to continue east bound. West bound traffic will be sent up 14th Avenue East from London Road and up 10th Avenue East 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 Avenue 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 Avenue West and South Lake Avenue.

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 and 12th Avenue East, or the emergency department on the upper side of 1st Street between 10th Avenue and 9th Avenue East.

If coming FROM THE WEST: Take 2nd Street East to 10th Avenue East, 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 downtown for this annual event, free parade parking is being offered again after 5:00 p.m. at the following ramps:

- Shoppers Auto Park—18 N. 2nd Avenue West
- Fourth Avenue Auto Park—402 West Michigan Street
- US Bank Ramp—230 West Michigan Street
- Tech Village Ramp—10 East First Street
- 1st and 1st Lot-- 123 East First Street
- Medical District Ramp—302 East First Street
- Fitger's---600 East Superior Street
- Phoenix Parking Lot---98 North 4th Ave West
- St. Luke's Hospital Ramp—1020 East First Street
- St. Luke's Employee Parking Lot—119 North 12th Avenue East

Drivers are urged to use caution when driving in the area of this event. Downtown traffic should return to normal by approximately 8:30 p.m.