



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator

Council Meeting Date: March 7, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution finding that the Founders Day Parade Scheduled to be held on Friday, April 28, 2023, in and near the City, serves a Valid and Legitimate Public Purpose, and Authorizing the City's Support of and Cooperation with the Event and adopting the Founders Day Festival Traffic and Security Plan. Sponsor: Sherrie Parks**

Agenda Item Requestor: Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator/Founders Day Commission

Summary/Background: The 34th annual Founders Day Festival is scheduled to take place from April 28th – April 30th. The Founders Day Festival Parade is scheduled for April 28th at 6:30PM. This year's parade theme is *Founders 34, Celebrations Galore!* where participants are encouraged to decorate their floats fitting with the theme. For the safety of participants and volunteers, it is essential to temporarily close roads. The empty streets will transform into the Founders Day Festival grounds, filled with food and drink vendors, carnival rides, entertainment, and local business vendors. The roads being closed are as follows: 1. Old Fitzhugh from RR 12 to Mercer (closed to thru traffic) 2. Mercer from Bluff to RR 12 (closed to thru traffic 5 p.m. on Thursday) 3. Mercer from 290 to RR 12 (closed to thru traffic 12 noon on Friday) 4. Wallace from RR 12 to Bluff (closed) 5. Bluff, College, and San Marcos from US 290 to Mercer (closed). The plan has been reviewed by the City Engineer and the resolution allows us to coordinate with the Texas Department of Transportation.

Recommended Council Actions: Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Attachments: 2023 Traffic Control Plan
2023 Parade Resolution

Next Steps/Schedule: Work with Founders Day Commission, City Maintenance, and Area Wide Protective - Traffic Control Company to facilitate closing the roads for Founders Day Festival. Coordinate with TxDOT.