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Matt Walsh City of Concord REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: February 19, 2016

FROM: Susan Sokul, Events and Communications Coordinator

Intown Concord, tel. 603-226-2150, susan@intownconcord.org

SUBJECT: Street Closure for 42nd Annual Market Days Festival and the Capital City

Classic 10K Road Race

#### Recommendation:

We are recommending approval of street closings for the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Market Days Festival and Capital City Classic 10K Road Race, Thursday through Sunday, June 23-June 26, 2016.

#### Background:

This request for the Market Days Festival street closure has been granted for the past 41 years – Thank you! We truly appreciate the City's staff and contractors working with Intown Concord to ensure that Market Days will be held in its customary location. The Market Days Festival is an important event that provides immediate and long-term economic benefits to the City and the businesses of downtown Concord. Planning for the 2016 Festival is underway, and it promises to be a great 42<sup>nd</sup> year celebration, free to tens of thousands of community members and guests.

## **NEW for 2016:**

Intown Concord is requesting to extend the North Main and side street closures (#1-5 below) through 1:00pm and the South Main/Pleasant Street closures (#6-8 below) through 10:00am on Sunday, June 26, to accommodate the first annual Capital City Classic 10K Road Race, hosted by Runner's Alley and Intown Concord, to benefit the Concord Coalition to End Homelessness and Intown Concord. The race application is pending. The proposed extended street closure will help ensure the safety of race participants and attendees. A similar extension was granted for the Sunday after the Market Days Festival in 2014, for the Concord 250/NH Historical Society/Central NH Bicycling Coalition bicycle gathering and community photo.

#### Discussion:

Intown Concord's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Market Days Festival will be held Thursday, June 23 through Saturday, June 25, 2016. The Capital City Classic 10K will begin and end on North Main Street on Sunday, June 26, 2016.

Intown Concord requests that the following streets be closed from 3:00am on Thursday, June 23, to 1:00pm on Sunday, June 26:

- 1. North Main Street from Centre/Loudon to Pleasant Street.
- 2. Capitol Street from North Main Street to Evans Lane.
- 3. Park Street from North Main Street to State Street.
- 4. School Street from North Main Street to Evans Lane.
- Warren Street from North Main Street to the entrance of the Durgin (School Street) Parking Garage.

49 South Main St. #202 Concord, NH 03301 tel. 603-226-2150 www.intownconcord.org Intown Concord requests that the following streets be closed from 3:00am on Thursday, June 23 to 10:00am on Sunday, June 26, 2016:

- 6. South Main Street from Pleasant Street to Hills Avenue.
- 7. Pleasant Street to State Street.
- 8. Pleasant Street Extension from Storrs Street to North Main Street.

Intown Concord will continue working with appropriate City and State Departments to ensure all proper procedures, licensing, and other requirements will be in compliance, and to ensure that any Main Street Project impacts are mitigated to everyone's satisfaction. Intown Concord will notify Concord Area Transit and the Manchester Transit Authority of the 2016 Festival and Race dates, and will work with them to schedule alternate bus routes. The organizers will work and communicate with Kristina Dunkley of St. Paul's Church, Christ the King Parish and other organizations regarding the street closure and race route and how this may affect their guests on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter; please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Sokul

**Events and Communications Coordinator** 



# CITY OF CONCORD

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Community Development Department

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February 17, 2016

An Addendum to the street closure request from Concord Market Days

Please note, Susan Sokul from Intown Concord in conjunction with Concord Market Days (June 23-26) contacted Kristin Dunklee at St Paul's Church on Friday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> to inform them that the Street Closure for Market Days will continue on North Main Street on Sunday June 26, 2016 until 1:00PM for the 1<sup>st</sup>, Capitol City Classic 10K road race.

Gene Blake