

Introduced by: Councilmember Gibson

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2023 -12**

**AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CLOSURES OF CITY STREETS  
IN SUPPORT OF THE 2023 ANNUAL EVENT CALENDAR**

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park partners with multiple economic development service contract partners to promote the growth of the City's commercial corridors to enliven the area and highlight local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the service partners are the Old Takoma Business Association (OTBA) and the Takoma/Langley Crossroads Development Authority (CDA); and

WHEREAS, economic development service contract partners have proposed the closure of multiple City streets to allow these events to occur in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Old Takoma Business Association desire to conduct one-day test closures of Laurel Avenue between Carroll and Eastern Avenues to conduct traffic counts; and

WHEREAS, economic development service contract partners will receive all additional State, County, and City permits and permissions to operate the Events and notify all appropriate local agencies, including WMATA, Montgomery County Department of Transportation, and Ride On Service; and

WHEREAS, economic development service contract partners will properly notify all impacted residents and stakeholders of the street closures at least one (1) week in advance of the closures in writing, and

WHEREAS, economic development service contract partners will ensure that all events are concluded in time to reopen the roadways to pedestrians, traffic, and transportation at the designated times: and

WHEREAS, the list of proposed temporary closures follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Road Closure(s)</b>	<b>Service Contract Organization</b>
3/29/2023	Temporary Traffic Count Closure	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
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4/16/2023	Market at the Bank	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
4/30/2023	Takoma Park Motorcycle Show	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA

5/6/2023 (Rain Date: 5/13/2023)	Takoma Park Children's Business Fair	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
5/6/2023	TLCDA Spring Fest	Anne Street – University to Hammond	TLCDA
5/13/2023	Takoma Flea	Grant Avenue – Hancock to Ethan Allen	OTBA
5/20/2023	Market at the Bank	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
5/21/2023	Crossroads Food Fair	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
6/11/2023	Takoma Pride Event	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
9/17/2023	Takoma Park Farmers Market Pie Eating Contest	Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA
10/1/2023	Takoma Park Street Festival	Carroll Avenue – Eastern to Grant Laurel Avenue – Carroll to Eastern	OTBA

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND authorizes the City Manager to close certain City streets as outlined by the Events in the Recitals above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the identified economic development service contract partner shall assume full responsibility for notifying adjoining property owners of the approved closures, notifying City residents in writing of any changes to public transportation schedules and/or pickup and drop-off locations that may arise from such street closures at least one week prior to date of the Events, arranging for the placement of “No Parking” signs and “Local Traffic Only” signs as necessary, restoring the area following the planned events, and ensuring that the roadways are reopened to traffic at the designated times, and reimbursing the City for any additional City resources that are required above and beyond standard City operating procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager may, at their discretion, approve any date changes to the Events in the Recitals above provided that the City receives a date change request no later than 30 days prior to the scheduled date.

Adopted this 8th day of March, 2023.

Attest:

  
 Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
 City Clerk