

## ARTICLE IV. PARADES

### Sec. 25-63. Definition.

As used in this chapter the term "parade" shall mean any parade, march, ceremony, show, exhibition, pageant or procession of any kind, or any similar display, in or upon any street, park or other public place.

### Sec. 25-64. Permit required.

No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form or start any parade, without a parade permit issued by the chief of police. (Ord. of 3-23-54, § 113)

### Sec. 25-65. Exemptions.

This article shall not apply to:

- (1) Funeral processions;
- (2) Students going to and from school classes or participating in educational activities, providing such conduct is under the immediate direction and supervision of the proper school authorities;
- (3) A governmental agency acting within the scope of its functions.

### Sec. 25-66. Permit applications.

(a) A person desiring a parade permit shall file an application with the chief of police on forms provided by such officer. Such application shall be filed not less than seven (7) days nor more than ten (10) days before the date on which it is proposed to conduct the parade.

(b) The application for a parade permit shall set forth the following information:

- (1) The name, address and telephone number of the person seeking to conduct such parade;
- (2) If the parade is proposed to be conducted for, on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization, and of the authorized and responsible heads of such organization;
- (3) The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be the parade chairman and who will be responsible for its conduct;

- (4) The date when the parade is to be conducted;
- (5) The route to be traveled, the starting point and the termination point;
- (6) The approximate number of persons who, and animals and vehicles which, will constitute such parade; the type of animals, and description of the vehicles;
- (7) The hours when such parade will start and terminate;
- (8) A statement as to whether the parade will occupy all or only a portion of the width of the streets proposed to be traversed;
- (9) The location by streets of any assembly areas for such parade;
- (10) The time at which units of the parade will begin to assemble at any such assembly area or areas;
- (11) The interval of space to be maintained between units of such parade;
- (12) If the parade is designed to be held by, and on behalf of or for, any person other than the applicant, the applicant for such permit shall file with the chief of police a communication in writing from the person proposing to hold the parade, authorizing the applicant to apply for the permit on his behalf;
- (13) Any additional information which the chief of police shall find reasonably necessary to a fair determination as to whether a permit should issue.

(c) The chief of police, where good cause is shown therefor, shall have the authority to consider any application hereunder which is filed less than seven (7) days before the date such parade is proposed to be conducted.

**Sec. 25-67. Permit fee.**

There shall be paid at the time of filing the application for a parade permit a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). This fee may be waived in whole or in part by the chairman of the board of commissioners.

**Sec. 25-68. Standards for permit issuance.**

The chief of police shall issue a parade permit when, from a consideration of the application and from such other information as may otherwise be obtained, he finds that:

- (1) The conduct of the parade will not substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of other traffic contiguous to its route;
- (2) The conduct of the parade will not require the diversion of so great a number of police officers of this municipality to properly police the line of movement and the areas contiguous thereto as to prevent normal police protection to this city;
- (3) The conduct of such parade will not require the diversion of so great a number of ambulances as to prevent normal ambulance service to portions of this city other than that to be occupied by the proposed line of march and areas contiguous thereto;
- (4) The concentration of persons, animals and vehicles at assembly points of the parade will not unduly interfere with proper fire and police protection of, or ambulance service to, areas contiguous to such assembly areas;
- (5) The conduct of such parade will not interfere with the movement of fire-fighting equipment en route to a fire;
- (6) The conduct of the parade is not reasonably likely to cause injury to persons or property, to provoke disorderly conduct or create a disturbance;
- (7) The parade is scheduled to move from its point of origin to its point of termination expeditiously and without unreasonable delays en route;
- (8) The parade is not to be held for the sole purpose of advertising any product, cause, goods or events and is not designed to be held purely for private profit.

**Sec. 25-69. Notice of permit denial.**

If the chief of police disapproves the application for a parade permit, he shall mail to the applicant within three (3) days after the date upon which the application was filed, a notice of his action.

**Sec. 25-70. Alternative permit.**

The chief of police, in denying an application for a parade permit, shall be empowered to authorize the conduct of the parade on a date, at a time, or over a route different from that named by the applicant. An applicant desiring to accept an alternate permit shall, within five (5) days after notice of the action of the chief of police, file a written notice of acceptance with the chief of police. An alternate parade permit shall conform to the requirements of, and shall have the effect of a parade permit under this article.

**Sec. 25-71. Contents of permit.**

Each parade permit shall state the following information:

- (1) Starting time;
- (2) Minimum speed;
- (3) Maximum speed;
- (4) Maximum interval of space to be maintained between the units of the parade;
- (5) The portions of the streets to be traversed that may be occupied by the parade;
- (6) The maximum length of the parade in miles or fractions thereof;
- (7) Such other information as the chief of police shall find necessary to the enforcement of this article.

**Sec. 25-72. Carrying permit.**

The parade chairman or other person heading or leading such activity shall carry the parade permit upon his person during the conduct of the parade.

**Sec. 25-73. Revocation of permit.**

The chief of police shall have the authority, after a hearing affording due process, to revoke a parade permit issued hereunder upon application of the standards for issuance as set forth in this article.

**Sec. 25-74. Compliance with laws and regulations.**

A person holding a parade permit shall comply with all permit directions and conditions and with all applicable laws and ordinances.

**RESOLUTION NO. R00-19**

**"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS ESTABLISHING STREET CLOSURE PROCEDURES AND APPLICATIONS FOR FILMING, PARADES, AND SPECIAL EVENTS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS**


WHEREAS, it is the express intention of the City of Taylor, Texas to establish street closure procedures and applications for filming, parades, and special events; and

WHEREAS, a traffic control plan for street closures must adhere to the requirements set forth in the Texas Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices; and

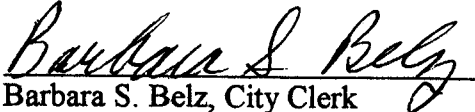
WHEREAS, the City Manager, Main Street Director, and Police Chief will review and approve or disapprove all street closure applications.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the City of Taylor, Texas, hereby approves the Filming Street Closure Application Procedure, the Parade Street Closure Application Procedure, and the Special Event Street Closure Application Procedure.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2000.

  
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Randall J. Pick Chairman,  
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
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Barbara S. Belz, City Clerk

## **CITY OF TAYLOR**

### **PARADE STREET CLOSURE APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

The City of Taylor's Main Street Director will provide direct assistance during all parade street closures. The "Parade Street Closure Application," all fees and insurance must be submitted to the Main Street Director, City of Taylor, 400 Porter St., P. O. Box 810, Taylor, Texas 76574, (512) 352-5448, as soon as possible, but no later than forty-five (45) business days prior to your event.

All individuals or groups who propose to conduct a parade upon any street within the city limits of the City of Taylor must comply with the following procedures:

#### **FEES:**

Parade Street Closure Fee:	\$75.00
(City and Chamber of Commerce sponsored events are exempt from fees but are not exempt from procedures)	

#### **PARADE STREET CLOSURE PROCEDURES:**

1. The City Manager, Police Chief and the Main Street Director will review and approve or disapprove all street closure applications.
2. A Traffic Control Plan must be prepared, signed and sealed by a registered professional civil engineer for any event on a State right-of-way within the City limits for closure of longer than two (2) hours. You are required to abide by the engineer's Traffic Control Plan.
3. For closure of any State right-of-way within the City limits for less than two (2) hours, letters from the requesting entity, the city, and the police chief must be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for their approval. If the closure is for longer than two (2) hours, the City Commission must approve a Resolution for such closure and an "Agreement For The Temporary Closure of State Right-of-Way" must be submitted to TxDOT for their approval. The Main Street Director can assist with that process.
4. A Certificate of Insurance, in an amount prescribed by the City Manager, must be submitted with the application.

**CITY OF TAYLOR  
PARADE STREET CLOSURE APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pager: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time of Parade Street Closure: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the route of the parade, including the name and location of streets, alleys and/or sidewalks to be blocked (please attach a map):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Candy, gum, beads, or any other article(s) shall not be thrown from any type of vehicle during a parade nor transferred directly to the hand of a spectator. This shall include, but not be limited to, persons on horseback.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For Office Use Only**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee/Deposit: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Street Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Chief of Police: \_\_\_\_\_

City Manager: \_\_\_\_\_