TRAFFIC & PARKING PLANS FOR 2016 Fall TEMPE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

Tempe, AZ – Today the Downtown Tempe Authority announced the following information for affected merchants and businesses regarding street closures, traffic rerouting, and parking and transportation information for the upcoming December 2- 4 Tempe Festival of the Arts. Please be advised that parking will be prohibited in affected locations for several hours prior to road closures:

STREET CLOSURES SCHEDULE:

The following streets will close on Thursday, December 1:

Approximately 7:00 a.m. Closure (Peripheral Street & Lot) –

- 7th Street between Mill Avenue and Maple Avenue
- Maple Avenue, from 5th Street to 7th Street
- 440 South Mill Surface Lot (between Hackett House and Mill Avenue Shops)

Approximately 4:00 p.m. Closures (Peripheral Streets; In Order of Closure) –

- 6th Street, from Mill Avenue to W/6 Tower 2 Entry Roundabout

Approximately 5:00 p.m. Closures (Peripheral Streets; In Order of Closure) –

- 4th Street, from Mill Avenue to Maple Avenue
- 5th Street, from Mill Avenue to Ash Avenue
- 5th Street, from Mill Avenue to Myrtle
- 6th Street, from Mill Avenue to Sixth Street Park
- 7th Street, from Mill Avenue to Myrtle
- Maple Avenue, from 4th Street to 5th Street
- City Hall West Parking Lot

Approximately 6:30 p.m. Closures –

- Mill Avenue, from University Drive to 3rd Street

All Streets should re-open by 6:00 a.m. on Monday, December 5th.

PARKING VALIDATIONS:

Downtown Tempe business parking validations **are only accepted at the City Hall Garage at 117 East 5th Street. All other parking locations require payment in advance.**.

DELIVERIES FOR DOWNTOWN TEMPE BUSINESSES:

- Downtown Tempe Authority Safety Patrol will notify merchants of delivery requirements and will secure signatures from whoever receives the information for each business to assure that we have reached everyone.

- We permit delivery entry ONLY at 5th and Ash (the west end of 5th Street). No deliveries will be allowed to enter from the East on 5th Street, the North or South on Mill Avenue.

- Deliveries will be permitted throughout the night beginning starting at approximately 11:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 1st; and 9:00 p.m. on Friday, December 2nd; Saturday, December 3rd ; and Sunday, December 4th .

- **All trucks must vacate the event area BEFORE 9:00 a.m. each day of the Festival**.

- Should your deliveries not arrive before 9:00 a.m., please contact DTA Operations Hotline at **(480) 894-1800** and we will coordinate with Festival Operations to determine the alternate load-in options available so that delivery can be accommodated, if possible.

- **In no event will deliveries be allowed after 9:00 a.m. on any day of the festival** except for U.S. Post Office deliveries which may require special arrangements.

PARKING FOR DOWNTOWN TEMPE EMPLOYEES:

Many employees have monthly parking permits which are color coded (see references below). In general, all employees should allow additional time to park during the event.

Downtown Tempe Authority, who produces the event and also manages parking in many of the downtown Tempe locations, will work with employees to meet their parking needs reasonably; however, it is the responsibility of all employees to make sure that they have secured their own parking permits.

Employees that normally park in private lots that are unavailable as a result of the event will be eligible to replacement parking permits valid in the 5th & Farmer Lot only.

- The 5th & Farmer Surface Lot will be open for Permit Parking only.

- On-Street Parking and small off street lots within the event perimeter will close at 5:00 pm on Thursday, December 1st . All on-street parking on Mill Avenue will close at 5:00 p.m.

- We will attempt to provide parking for all employees in their usual locations or alternate locations based on the following schedule:

  1. **Employees with 5th & Farmer Surface Lot passes –** Will be permitted to park in the lot on a space available basis.

  2. **Employees with Hayden Square Garage passes** – Will be permitted to park in the garage on a space available basis.

  3. **Employees with Hayden Square West Lot passes** – Will be permitted to park in the lot on a space available basis.

  4. **Employees with Brickyard Garage passes** – Will be permitted to park in the garage using the 7th Street entrance only.

  5. **Employees with Hanover Garage access** cards – Will be permitted to park in the garage using the 6th Street residence only entrance. This entrance is only available to card holders during times that Maple Avenue is closed.

  6. **Employees with passes for lots within the event venue** will be rerouted via DTA to 5th & Farmer Lot. Passes will be distributed to affected businesses the week prior to the event. No employee parking will be permitted within the event perimeter.

  If your regular parking area is not listed above, and you feel your parking may be closed or affected, please contact the DTA Parking Operations Hotline at **(480) 894-1800** to make parking arrangements. Please do so before Thursday, December 1st , as no parking arrangements can be made after that date.

  In general, please allow additional time to find a place to park, and get to work. We will do everything we can to meet your parking needs but it is still up to you to see that you have the necessary permits.

- METRO light rail provides free parking at 11 Valley Park and Ride so you can ride the train directly to the 3rd & Mill festival entrance. For details see http://www.valleymetro.org/park_and_rides/mlr Locations are as follows:
  - 19th Ave/Dunlap Avenue – 415 spaces
  - 19th Avenue/Montebello Avenue – 794 spaces
  - 19th Avenue/Camelback Road – 410 spaces
  - 7th Avenue/Camelback Road – 123 spaces
  - Central Avenue/Camelback Road – 135 spaces
  - 38th Street/Washington Street – 189 spaces
  - Dorsey Lane/Apache Boulevard – 190 spaces
  - McClintock Road/Apache Boulevard – 300 spaces
  - Price - 101 Freeway/Apache Boulevard – 693 spaces
  - Sycamore Street/Main Street – 802 spaces
  - Mesa Drive – 448 spaces

Avoid parking, and take the bus. For details see http://www.valleymetro.org/bus/transit_centers/tempe_transportation_center or if you live in Tempe, use the free and convenient Orbit Bus System: http://routes.valleymetro.org/timetables/6/route_list

PUBLIC PARKING FOR CLIENTS AND CUSTOMERS:

Public Parking at the Festival: There is paid parking available surrounding the Festival, and none within the actual venue itself. Since many garages and lots are privately owned, there is a charge that ranges from $10 - $20 but may be different at each location. Look for parking along Rio Salado Parkway, University, Ash, and College. For specific parking locations in Downtown Tempe, visit http://www.downtowntempe.com/transportation.

Accessible Parking at the Festival: The Tempe Festival of the Arts does not offer a wheelchair concession.

- All public lots and garages offer paid disabled access parking.
- There is no parking inside the event perimeter. All available on-street parking throughout Downtown Tempe is FREE to cars displaying required current disabled access license plates or placards.
- Dedicated accessible parking meters will be reserved along Ash Street between 3rd and 5th Street, on 5th Street east of Mill and on 7th Street east of Mill, adjacent to the Festival venue. As always, on-street parking is free for vehicles displaying required current disabled access license plates or placards.
- METRO light rail provides free parking at 11 Valley Park and Ride locations so you can ride the train directly to the 3rd & Mill festival entrance. For details see http://www.valleymetro.org/park_and_rides/mlr

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