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1.0 GENERAL

- 1.1 This policy establishes standardized routes and procedures for all downtown parades and in-street marches permitted through the City of Spokane's special events process.

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2.0 DEPARTMENTS/DIVISIONS AFFECTED

This policy applies to all departments and divisions.

3.0 REFERENCES

Spokane Municipal Code 10.39

4.0 DEFINITIONS

None

5.0 POLICY

- 5.1 It is the policy of the City Council to establish and maintain standardized routes and procedures for downtown parades and permitted in-street marches to ensure participant and spectator safety, reduce the use of City resources, and reduce the costs of traffic control for event sponsors.

5.2 Pursuant to SMC 10.39.040, the City may impose reasonable and necessary conditions to ensure the special event does not:

- substantially interrupt public transportation or other vehicle and pedestrian traffic;
- cause an unreasonable conflict with construction or development in the public right-of-way or at a public facility;
- require the diversion of police and fire personnel and equipment from their normal duties without provisions for such;
- interfere with the movement of police, fire, ambulance, and other emergency vehicles on the streets; and
- interfere with any other special event for which a permit has already been granted.

## 6.0 PROCEDURE

- 6.1 There are three standard downtown parade routes: Small – Option 1, Medium – Option 2, and Large – Option 3. All downtown parade routes begin on Washington Street and Boone Avenue and terminate on Spokane Falls Boulevard and Post Street unless otherwise determined by the Chief of Police or their designee.
- 6.2 Parade routes are determined by the City, in coordination with the event sponsor, based on factors including, but not limited to, public safety resource requirements, traffic control requirements, estimated number of participants in the parade, estimated crowd size, and impacted street construction or transit routes.
- 6.3 Streets required for parade staging may be closed no longer than two hours for Small – Option 1 routes and three hours for Option 2 – Medium and Option 3 - Large before the beginning of the parade, unless approved by the Chief of Police or their designee.
- 6.4 Streets not required for parade staging but used in the parade route may be closed no longer than two hours before the beginning of the parade, unless approved by the Chief of Police or their designee.

## 7.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

All relevant divisions and departments are responsible for implementing this policy.

## 8.0 APPENDICES

Small – Option 1 Downtown Parade Route  
Medium – Option 2 Downtown Parade Route  
Large – Option 3 Downtown Parade Route

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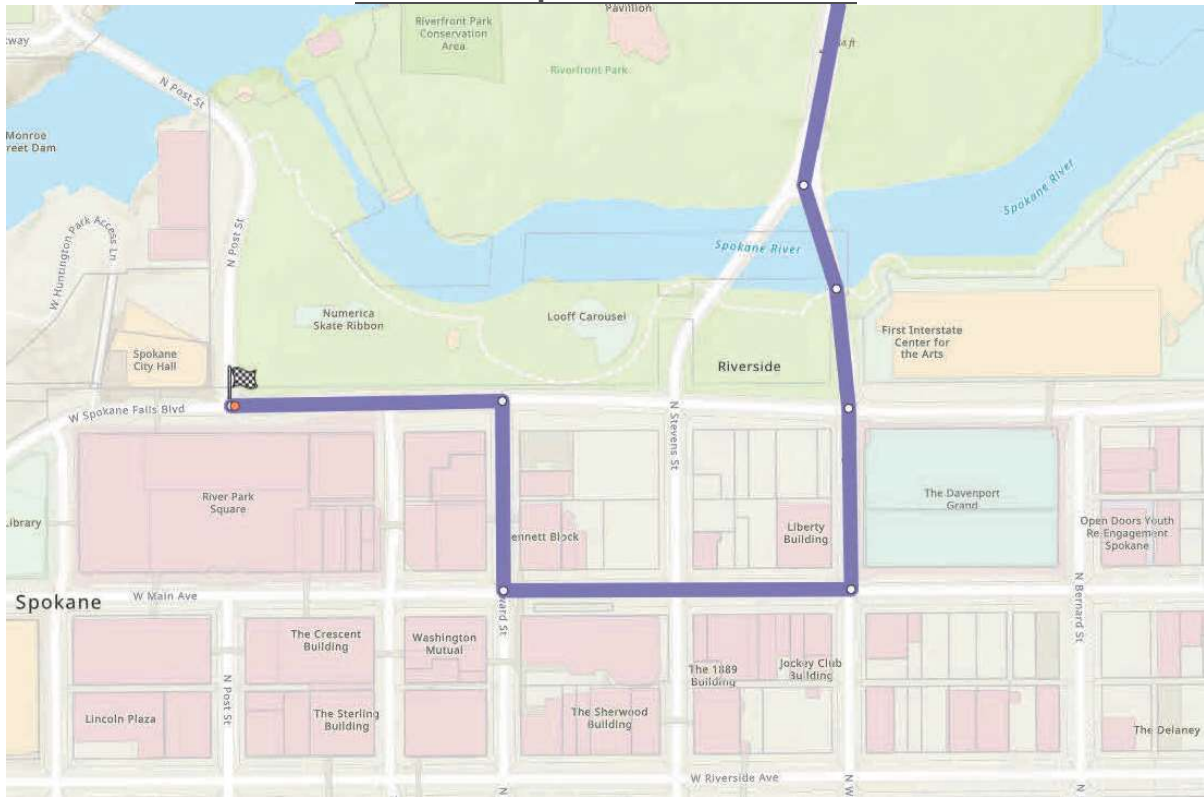
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### Small – Option 1 Parade Route



**Description:** Beginning north of Spokane Falls Boulevard on Washington Street, the route heads south on Washington Street to Main Avenue, then west on Main Avenue to Stevens Street, then north on Stevens Street to Spokane Falls Boulevard, and then west on Spokane Falls Boulevard, where the route terminates at Spokane Falls Boulevard and Post Street.

## Medium – Option 2 Parade Route



**Description:** Beginning north of Spokane Falls Boulevard on Washington Street, the route heads south on Washington Street to Main Avenue, then west on Main Avenue to Howard Street, then north on Howard Street to Spokane Falls Boulevard, and then west on Spokane Falls Boulevard, where the route terminates at Spokane Falls Boulevard and Post Street.

### Large – Option 3 Parade Route



**Description:** Beginning north of Spokane Falls Boulevard on Washington Street, then west on Riverside Avenue to Post Street, then north on Post Street to Main Avenue, then east on Main Avenue to Stevens Street, then north on Stevens Street to Spokane Falls Boulevard, and then west on Spokane Falls Boulevard, where the route terminates at Spokane Falls Boulevard and Post Street.











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