

RESOLUTION 2020 - 34
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF STREETS
FOR ANNUAL CITY OF STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgis has been central to the annual City of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally since its inception in 1938; and

WHEREAS, the City's preparation for the 2020 Rally started in 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the emergence of the Covid-19 Virus across the United States in February and March of 2020 was completely unanticipated by federal and state public health authorities; and,

WHEREAS, the City responded to guidance from the CDC and State Department of Health by adopting a resolution recognizing the seriousness of the virus and also the key recommendations of the SD Department of Health and the US Center for Disease Control in fighting the outbreak on April 15, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-26 acknowledged its companion role as a municipality in using federal and state guidelines to help suppress the virus as a threat to the public health and safety of the local community; and,

WHEREAS, at this time the City recognizes that circumstances of the 2020 City of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally may be quite different from any held in the past. City preparations to have the necessary public safety, sanitation and public health resources in place for those who will travel to the City have continued; and,

WHEREAS, in this unique year the City will be focused on providing a welcoming yet likely reduced event consistent with guidelines established by the South Dakota Department of Health and the Governor's Back to Normal Plan to respond to the unique public health challenges present this year; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that in order to effectuate the vital public health and safety measures approved by the Common Council and to promulgate personal responsibility for our residents and visitors alike, the Common Council acting under the authority provided to it by SDCL 9-30-2 approves the following changes to traffic and parking regulations from 12:01 am Friday August 7 until 7:00 am Sunday, August 16. The changes shall only occur along the following roadways and in the following manner:

1. Main Street, from its intersection with Fourth Street to 200' east of its intersection with Middle Street, shall have modified traffic and parking regulations;
2. First Street, Harley-Davidson Way and Third Street, from Sherman Street to Lazelle, shall have modified traffic and parking regulations
3. Main Street, from its intersection with Lazelle to its intersection with 11th Street, and 11th Street from its intersection with Main Street north to its intersection with Lazelle, shall have modified traffic and parking regulations
4. Sherman Street, from its intersection with Junction to its intersection with 5th Street, shall have modified traffic and parking regulations,

5. Kinship and Williams Street, from its intersection with Lazelle and then north and west to its intersection with 7th Street, shall have modified traffic and parking regulations,

That the above mentioned modified traffic and parking regulations on these streets may include the following:

1. Elimination of regular vehicular curb side parking
2. Restriction of non-motorcycle vehicular traffic (including bicycle and skateboard)
3. Allowance of additional handicapped parking
4. Allowance of additional motorcycle parking in the median
5. Allowance for one way traffic along Main Street from Lazelle to 11th Street
6. Allowance for bus parking and stops, taxi parking and stops and truck only parking
7. Allowance for City vehicle only parking

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is given the delegated authority to remove the modified traffic and parking regulations on the streets described in this resolution in response to less than expected traffic overall in the City as well as reduced traffic on the streets described herein.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2020.

CITY OF STURGIS

Mayor Mark Carstensen

ATTEST:

Fay Bueno
City Finance Officer

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Enclosure: Attached Map