

Re: Holiday Hayride

August 24, 2021

Dear Chief Mathes:

The Boone Preschool Association respectfully requests permission to hold a Holiday Hayride as a fundraiser for our school, Boone Elementary. The hayride will take place on Wednesday, December 8th. Complete Landscaping generously donates the use of and professional drivers of 4 flatbed trailers and one party bus. The flatbeds provide a safe and easy way for approximately 100 families to see the holiday lights in University Park each evening. The event has taken place for the past several years for the preschool associations and is something families around the community look forward to. Each family's contribution in past years raised approximately \$5,000 for their schools. There are three organizers from the Boone preschool association who will serve as volunteers. In addition, each flatbed truck has two volunteers from Complete Landscaping. However, it is the responsibility of the parents to provide additional support to watch their children prior and during the hayride. Prior to the hayride, families spend approximately an hour at Goar Park enjoying cookies and hot chocolate. Please see the attached route from the 2018 Holiday Hayride. We are resubmitting it for approval to ensure it meets the council's approval and does not include any streets within the town of Highland Park. This is the same route that was proposed and approved by the City since 2015 - no changes to the previous year's routes are requested. As a new organization representing preschool families that will attend Boone Elementary, we would like to continue the tradition that the other three associations have done for years. We ask that the City please approve our request for this event and fundraiser.

Respectfully submitted,

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