



CITY OF TAMPA

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SUBJECT: GASPARILLA PARADES
Gasparilla Children's Extravaganza Parade (January 21, 2012)
Gasparilla Pirate Fest Parade (January 28, 2012)

Dear Historic Hyde Park (South Side) Resident:

The Gasparilla Children's Extravaganza Parade & the Gasparilla Pirate Fest Parade will be held on **Saturday, January 21, 2012 and Saturday, January 28, 2012, respectively**. The City of Tampa will implement the **Historic Hyde Park (South Side)** parking and traffic circulation plan for both parades this year. This parking and traffic circulation plan is being implemented to minimize congestion in your neighborhood. The plan will improve access to your property and provide critical routes in case there is an emergency in your neighborhood during the event.

For both Parades, only motorists with ID verifying residency will be allowed to enter the neighborhood after streets have been closed. If you are expecting guests, please notify them in advance of the traffic circulation plan, parking restrictions, and have them arrive early. Once available parking is filled on January 21, 2012 and January 28, 2012, your neighborhood will be closed and only those with proper ID will be permitted to enter. The Tampa Police Department will not accept any guest list from the residents.

For the Gasparilla Children's Extravaganza Parade, a bus shuttle service from downtown Tampa will be provided to Bay-to-Bay, east of MacDill Ave. and to Rome Ave., north of Watrous. The bus shuttle is free for children and should further reduce traffic and improve safety in your neighborhood.

The parking and traffic circulation plan has been printed on the reverse side of this correspondence for your convenience and shows the parking and one-way sign implementation timeline. We will be installing, enforcing, and removing signs for both special events as follows:

- **January 2012** – The city will begin installing temporary "No Parking" signs.
- **Late January – Early February 2012** – After the Pirate Fest Parade on January 28, 2012, the City will immediately begin removing the temporary "No Parking" signs. It could take several weeks to remove all signs. Until such time, please obey the regulatory signs.

In order for this event plan to succeed, it is extremely important that we have your cooperation. It is critical for residents to follow the parking plan. Recreational vehicles or trucks over 80" wide are not allowed to park on a residential street. Illegally parked vehicles will be ticketed and towed.

Thank you for your cooperation in making the Gasparilla Parades 2012 a success. If you have any questions, please log onto the City of Tampa website at www.tampagov.net.

Sincerely,

Santiago C. Corrada

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