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### AN OPEN LETTER REGARDING THE MAGNA 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE

Dear Magna Residents and Community Friends;

It is with a heavy heart that I write this communication notifying you of the cancellation of the Magna 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade for 2020. Though the city does not operate community events, the Council requested this letter be posted to end the rumors swirling around social media. The announcement to formally cancel the parade is due to the lack of an ability to satisfy the COVID health and safety guidelines of the County and State Health Departments regarding the operation of a large-scale events. As of the time of this notification, the COVID restrictions we are operating under ban large-scale gatherings. Since the Magna 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade typically hosts up to 20,000 people, the event would not be able to secure the necessary health and event permits under the current health restrictions.

Like all emergency events, the preservation of life and safety of the public is the top priority. Managing the spread of COVID is an emergency event we are taking seriously. As we come to better understand living with COVID, we hope to come up with plans and guidance that allows us to return to having community events soon.

In closing we hope you stay safe and well. Please follow the health department guidelines so we can “slow the roll” of the effects of COVID in Magna and have fun. Regardless of what is being said, what we “can do” is vastly more than what has been restricted. Enjoy one another, help your neighbors and help those in need. Take the “can do’s” and use them to make your day great every day. We will look forward to working with everyone to make the 2021 4<sup>th</sup> of July event an event to remember.

Sincerely,

Gregory L. Schulz  
Administrator