

Biggest Small-Town Fourth of July Parade COVID Contingency Plan

Instead of you going to the parade, the parade is coming to you.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the ban on public gatherings of ten or more people, Seguin Main Street is developing a contingency plan that will allow the City of Seguin to continue to host the Biggest Small-Town Fourth of July Parade, an annual tradition going back decades.

Parade Floats and Entries

- No parade entry can have more than ten people on a float
- No walking or marching entries
- No eighteen wheelers
- Trailers shall not be longer than 16 feet.
- Encouraging families to decorate their own personal vehicles and be a parade entry
- Entries should arrive with their vehicle/float already decorated – entries will not be allowed to decorate their vehicle in the parade staging area other than small last-minute additions
- Entries would still have to provide a release of liability
- All parade entries will have their flashers on while driving the route

Rules and Locations for Spectators

- Spectators should be on their own front porch or lawn along the revised parade route
- Spectators in mass viewing areas shall remain in their vehicles. Would ask PD or FD to assist in patrolling these areas to enforce this rule.

Parade Staging

- As they arrive entries would line up in the Events Complex Center parking lot to the west of the rodeo arena in rows similar to the food distribution.
- VIP entries, including elected officials, grand marshal and military entries, will line up in the Events Complex parking lot outside the dance slab.
- One lane reserved for fire department vehicles

Parade Route and Mass Viewing Areas

Direction	Mass Viewing Area	Permission Needed From
Head east in the Events Complex parking lot turning north once past the coliseum.	Eastern Portion of the Events Complex Parking Lot	City of Seguin
Turn right onto Nelda Street from parking lot		
Turn left onto Guadalupe Street		
Turn left onto Jefferson Street	High Rise parking lot, Jefferson Elementary	Seguin Housing Authority, Seguin ISD
Turn right onto Short Street	Jefferson Elementary	Seguin ISD
Turn left onto Baker Street		
Turn right onto Vaughn Ave	Park West	City of Seguin
Turn right onto San Antonio Ave	Park West	City of Seguin

Turn left onto North Guadalupe Street	Manuel Castilla Park	City of Seguin
Turn right onto Martindale Street		
Turn right onto Heideke Street	Minigrip	Minigrip
Turn left onto Cedar Street		
Turn right into Seguin High School Parking Lot's second driveway	High School Parking Lot	Seguin ISD
Drive through Seguin High School Parking lot to College Street	High School Parking Lot	Seguin ISD
Right onto College Street		
Left onto Austin Street	First United Methodist Church Parking Lot, Central Fire Station, First United Bank Parking Lot, Wells Fargo Bank	Church, City of Seguin, Banks
Right into Events Complex Parking Lot		

Department Assistance Needed

Public Works:

- Barricades and cones at parade staging.
- Street sweeper to sweep parking lots of mass viewing areas

Police Department:

- Assist with traffic control
- Enforcing the viewing from vehicles or front porch rules
- Closing and opening intersections as the parade goes through town (similar to a funeral procession)

Fire Department

- Assist in closing intersections and enforcing viewing rules
- Have a truck in the parade route

Parks Department

- Assist in monitoring and cleaning parks
- Open and close restrooms in parks/coliseum

Main Street

- Order portable toilets for placement at mass viewing areas
- Collect liability waivers
- Organize line up