

From the Mayor's Desk:

I have received some questions with regards to Beggars Night 2020 and the possible impacts of COVID-19 on our festivities. Beggars Night will be set for October 31st from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. At this point in time, Dallas County Health Department has released guidelines and recommendations with regards to Halloween and Beggars Night. Conventional trick-or-treating is being deemed a high-risk activity and as such, I will be making some recommendations below to help reduce the risk associated with Beggars Night.

As in the past, those houses wishing to participate in Beggars Night should turn on their outside lights to make trick-or-treaters aware. We would ask that trick-or-treaters be especially respectful of those houses that do not turn on their outside lights. Some families may elect to not participate in Beggars Night due to the COVID-19 pandemic so please be respectful of their choices.

In an effort to minimize risks associated with trick-or-treating activities, I am asking that trick-or-treaters travel the neighborhoods in a one-way-traffic fashion, keeping at least 6 feet between family groups. The Department of Public Safety will be releasing a map depicting the one-way-traffic plan for Beggars Night. I would additionally ask that families take all efforts to hand out individually wrapped goodie bags as opposed to allowing trick-or-treaters to pick their own goodies. It would also be considered a best practice to distribute goodies from your yards to help promote social distancing and to minimize traffic at your front door.

We want everyone to have an enjoyable and safe evening, so please do your part and be respectful of others and take necessary steps to protect yourself and others.

Should additional guidance be released ahead of Beggars Night, we will disseminate that information and adjust recommendations as necessary.

The Park Board will be altering their Beggars Night event due to the COVID-19 pandemic and will not be providing hot dogs or a hayride. Please monitor their Facebook page for specific information as it becomes available.

Do not hesitate to reach out to me with any additional questions or concerns.

Thank you!
Allan Adams, Mayor



CITY OF VAN METER HALLOWEEN COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Please come and enjoy Halloween in our community. We ask that you follow these rules for everyone's safety.

- Regardless of starting point, always keep houses on your right when walking. This means no crossing streets. No walking opposite directions on sidewalks. Maintain six feet apart when walking and trick-or-treating. Stay within your family groups and all children must be accompanied by an adult
- If you are handing out candy do so from the end of your driveway or at the sidewalk
- Turn on your exterior lights if you want trick-or-treaters to stop at your home
- A Halloween mask does not constitute a suitable face covering. Please consider wearing a protective mask.

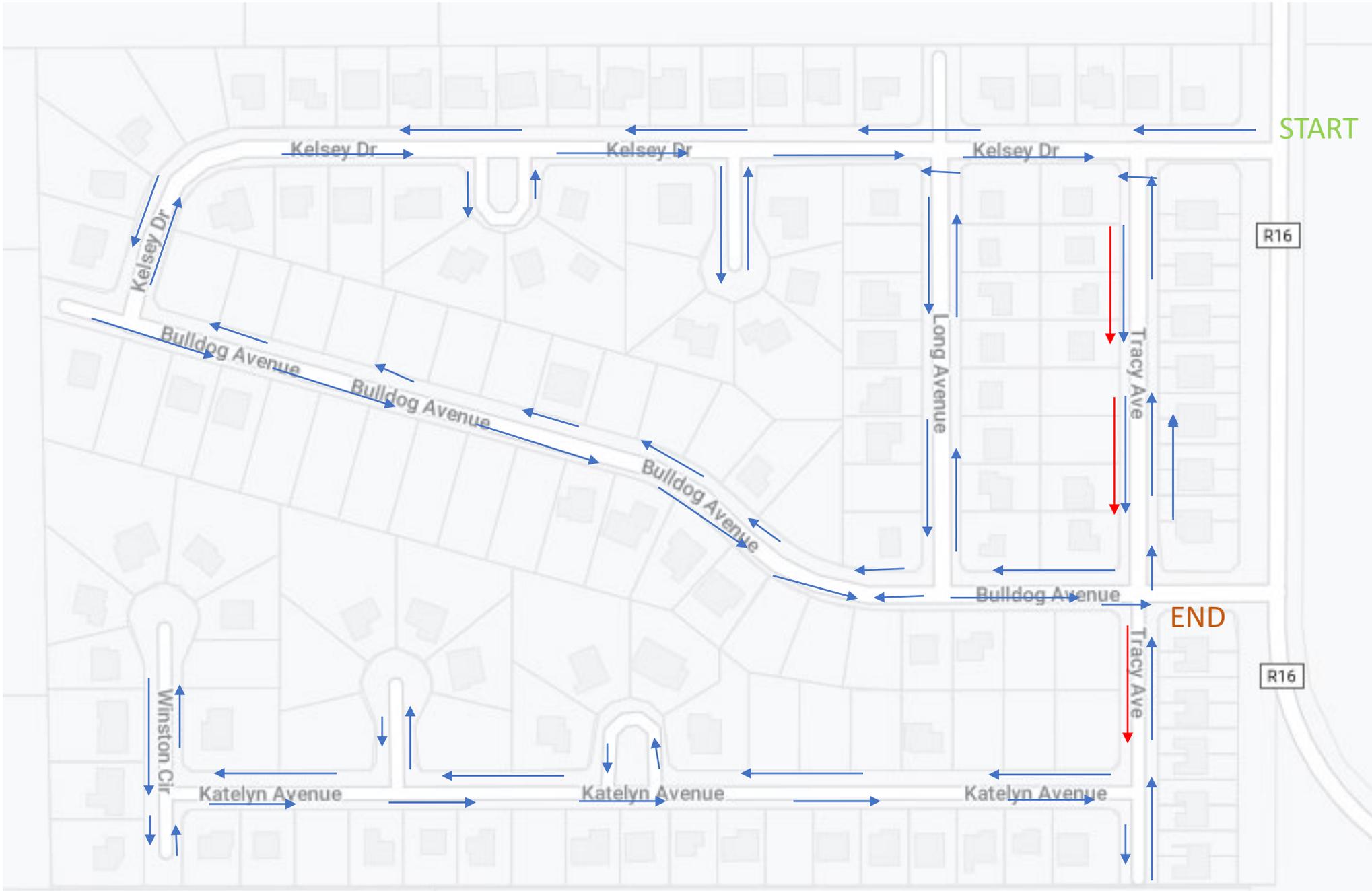
HOUSES TO THE RIGHT

SIX FEET APART
NO WALKING OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS

10/31/2020 • 6 PM – 8 PM

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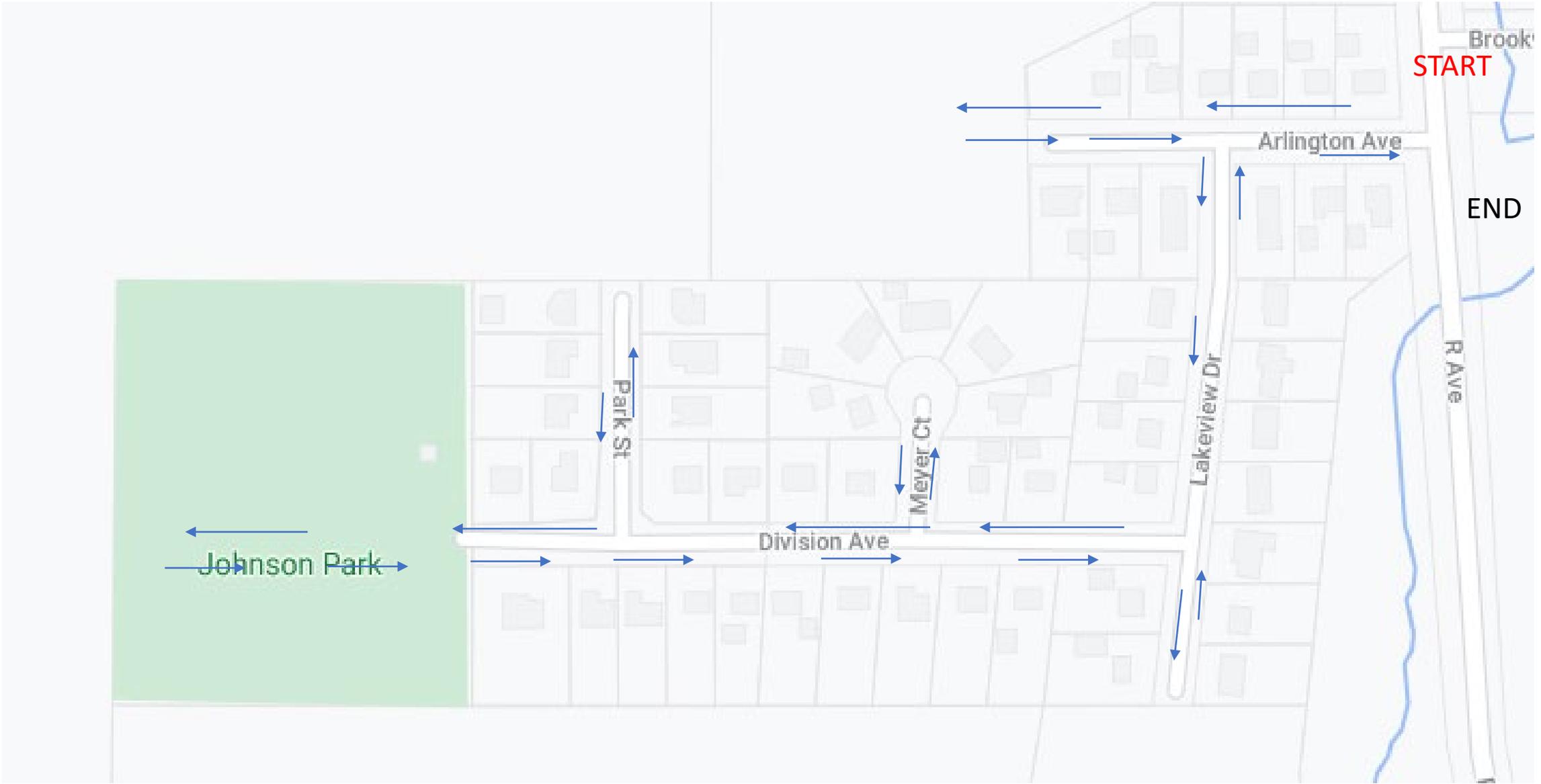




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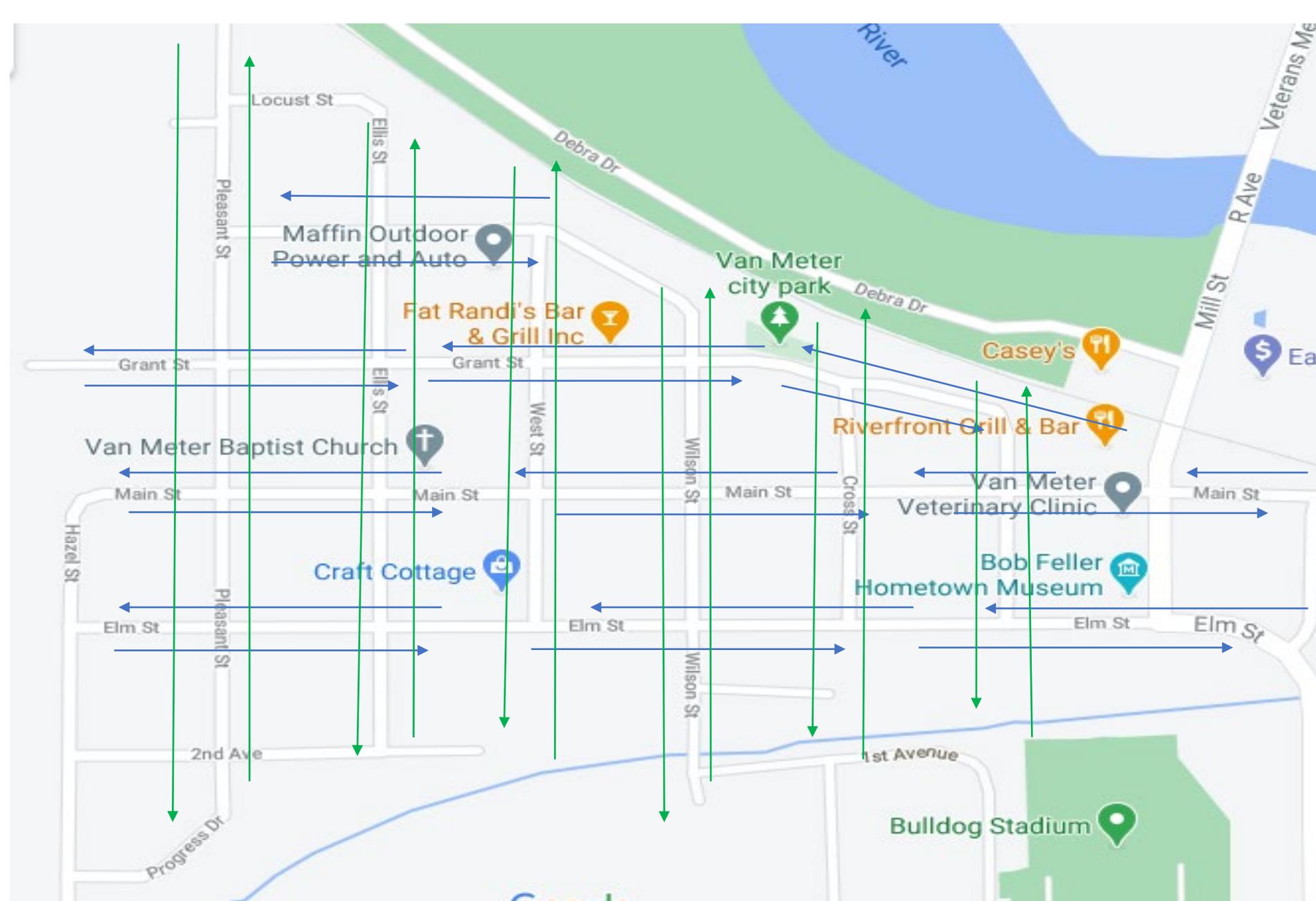
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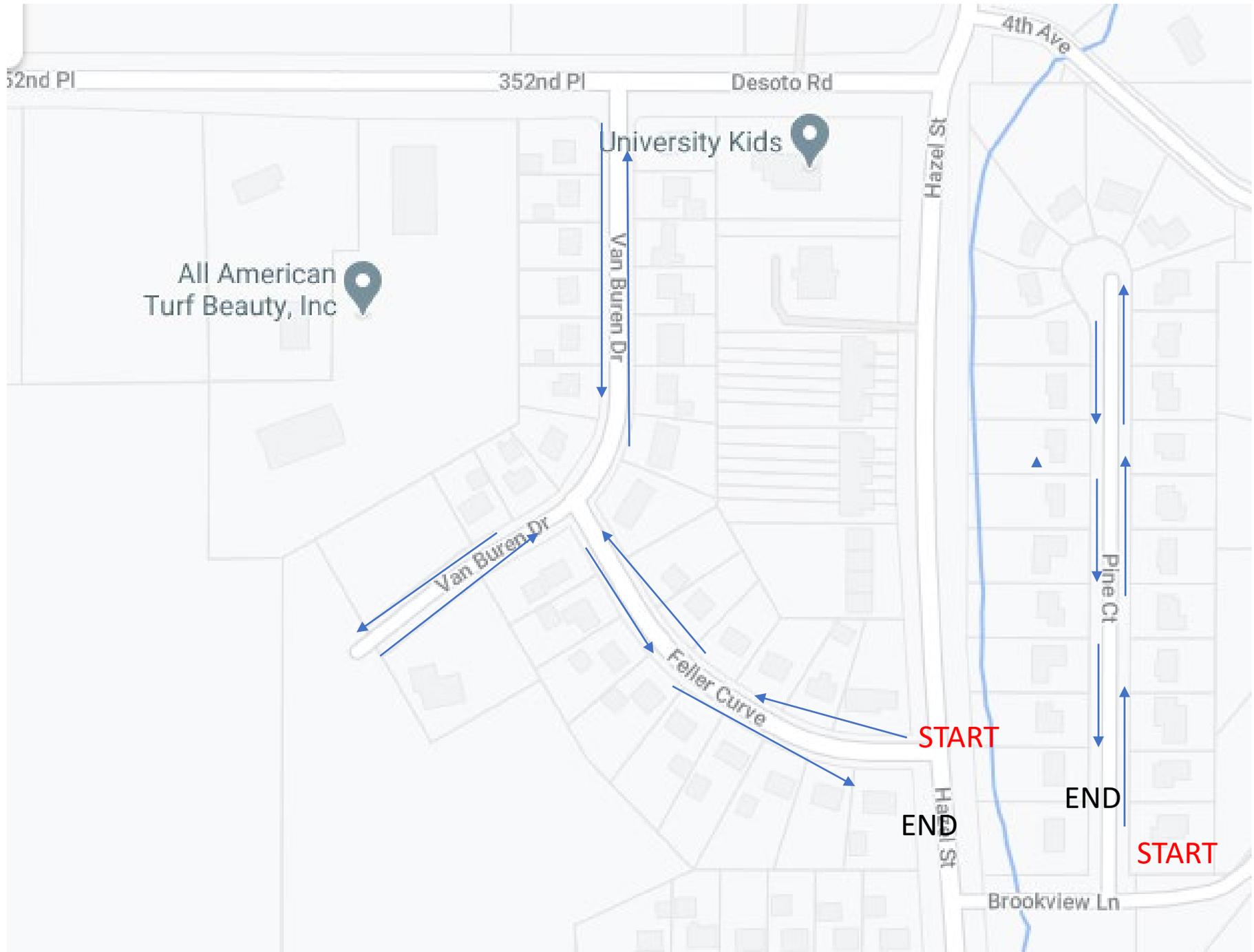
End at Bulldog & Tracy Ave.



City of Van Meter Covid-19 Halloween Safety Measures

1. All trick or treaters need to keep their right shoulder to the houses no matter where you start. No walking in opposite directions or crossing streets to get candy.
2. Every group is to social distance along the route.
3. If you are handing out candy try to do so from the end of your drive or by the sidewalk.





All American
Turf Beauty, Inc

University Kids

Van Buren Dr

Feller Curve

START

END

END

START

52nd Pl

352nd Pl

Desoto Rd

4th Ave

Hazel St

Brookview Ln

Pine Ct