



August 31, 2007

Mayor Gary Becker & Common Council Members
City of Racine
730 Washington Ave.
Racine, WI 53403

RE: New Course Approval for Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis 2007

Dear Mayor Becker and Council Members:

On behalf of the Arthritis Foundation, Wisconsin Chapter, I respectfully request that the City of Racine allow us to use the following parks, streets and bikepaths in the City so that we may hold our *ELEVENTH ANNUAL* Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis-Racine event on Saturday December 8, 2007. I am also attaching a copy of the proposed run route. As you can see this is a slightly different route than the course approved for the 2006 event. I have spoken with Mr. Jones and his initial opinion was that the change would not present a problem. He stated that he had no objections to the date, time, or location. Mr. Jones informed us that there will be an higher cost for street closure due to the addition of the Horlick Drive closure to the charge for closing both Island Park Drive and Lincoln Park Drive. We accept this and will pay the costs to close all three streets..

The streets, parks and bikepaths involved include:

- Island Park Drive a/k/a Horlick Avenue (south from the pavilion to the bridge),
- Horlick Park Drive from the intersection of Horlick Drive, Island Park Drive, and Rupert Boulevard to the intersection of Horlick Park Drive and 12th Street (we will only actually use the first 300 feet of Horlick Park Drive but will need to block access from both ends),
- The Bikepath (north from the bridge to and under Spring Street),
- The Bikepath (through Brose Park on the north side of Spring Street)
- The Bikepath north of Lincoln Park Drive (from the Bikepath bridge over the Root River to the bottom of the hill leading up to Jefferson Street),
- The Bikepath north of the Steelhead facility (leading to the bridge over the Root River) into Colonial Park,
- The Bikepath (through Colonial Park [gravel path] to the bridge leading to West High Street – we will NOT cross over this bridge as in the past),
- Back through center of Colonial Park (on the woodchip trail),
- Over the Bridge (over the Root River) on the Bikepath north of the Steelhead facility,
- Lincoln Park Drive (from the bottom of the hill leading up to Jefferson Street to the bikepath bridge over the Root River),
- The Bikepath through Brose Park and underneath Spring Street, and finally
- The Bikepath from underneath Spring Street leading to the parking lot behind Lutheran High School (the staging area for the event).

I wish to present this proposal to the appropriate committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

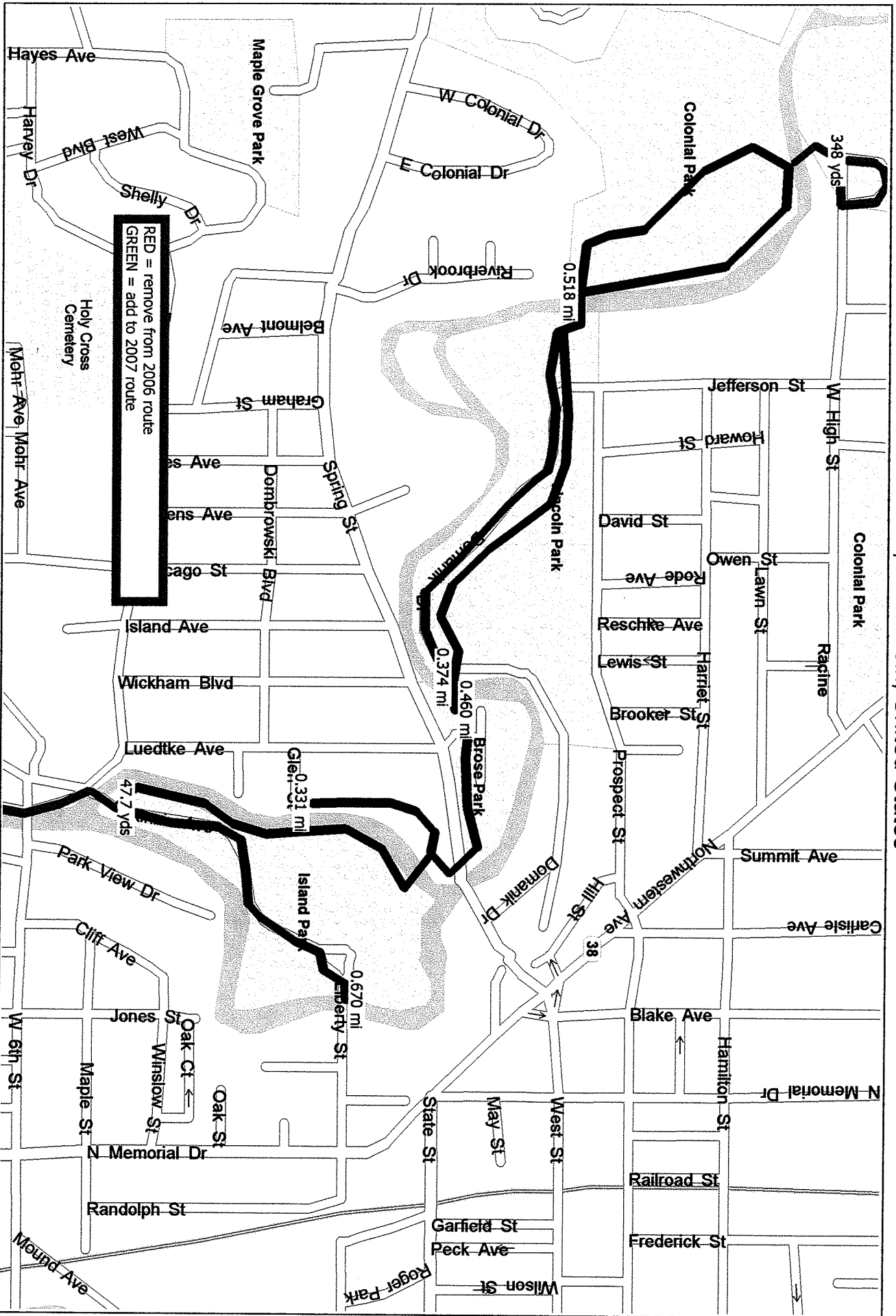
Thank you and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Thomas Rudey
Co-Race Director, Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis Racine 2007

CC: Rick Jones
Donnie Snow

Racine, Wisconsin, United States



RED = remove from 2006 route
 GREEN = add to 2007 route



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