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### For Immediate Release

### **Enjoy Hands-On, Family-Friendly Fun in Birmingham This Month**

BIRMINGHAM, MI, May 3, 2023 – The month of May brings warmer weather, spring blooms and two of the community's most-loved events – the Department of Public Services Open House and Celebrate Birmingham Hometown Parade. Guests of all ages are invited to participate in these free, family-friendly community traditions.

# Department of Public Services Open House: Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Department of Public Services (DPS) will host its annual Open House on Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the DPS facility located at 851 South Eton Street. This annual event is a family favorite with DPS trucks and equipment on display, informational exhibits and complimentary grilled hot dogs and refreshments.

Climb aboard and get an up-close view of some of the heavy equipment used by our public services professionals to keep the city's infrastructure services running smoothly and its parks, forestry and grounds beautiful.

"Enjoy a fun day with your family, meet members of the DPS, Engineering, Police and Fire departments, and learn more about the equipment and people that serve the Birmingham community," said Scott Zielinski, DPS Director.



Please note: on-site parking will not be available at the DPS facility, however visitors may park at the Birmingham Ice Sports Arena at 2300 East Lincoln Street or utilize available on-street parking nearby.

## Celebrate Birmingham Hometown Parade: Sunday, May 21 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Celebrate Birmingham Hometown Parade, presented by Bank of Ann Arbor – Birmingham, will march through town on Sunday, May 21 starting at 1:00 p.m.

The parade, featuring local businesses, civic groups and organizations, will begin near Booth Park and travel south along North Old Woodward Avenue, west along Maple Road and finally south along Bates Street before ending in Shain Park. Find a spot along the route to enjoy the parade featuring public safety vehicles, unicyclists from the Redford



Township Unicycle Club, the Baldwin Public Library, Seaholm High School Marching Band, local businesses and many others.

Following the parade, all are invited to a party in Shain Park, presented by Bloom Pediatrics, with free activities including face painting, mini train rides, a bounce house, crafts and entertainment until 4:00 p.m. A hot dog stand and ice cream truck will have items available for purchase during the event.

The City of Birmingham would like to extend a special thank you to the following sponsors: Parade Presenting Sponsor Bank of Ann Arbor – Birmingham, and Party Presenting Sponsor Bloom Pediatrics.

The parade route map and more information can be found at <a href="www.bhamgov.org/parade">www.bhamgov.org/parade</a>. Visitors are encouraged to park free of charge at the municipal parking structures located at 333 North Old Woodward Avenue, 180 South Chester Street or 333 Pierce Street. For more information on parking, visit <a href="www.bhamgov.org/parking">www.bhamgov.org/parking</a>.

City of Birmingham – A Walkable Community. Visit the city's web site at <a href="www.bhamgov.org">www.bhamgov.org</a>.

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