Guidance for Vehicle Parades

This document provides guidance for the organizers for vehicle parades under City of Austin Stay – Work Safe Order 20200508-11.

What is a vehicle parade?
A vehicle parade is a procession of vehicles along an established route, usually in celebration of a special event or milestone.

What requirements apply?
- Social distancing behaviors must be maintained during all portions of the parade. Special attention should be given to staging areas and the ending of the parade. Participants may not linger outside of the vehicles.
- Face coverings are recommended, especially for the staging areas.
- Only members of the same household are permitted to be in a vehicle.
- The gathering of individuals outside of a household for photographs is not permitted.
- A communication plan must be in place that includes steps to be taken before, during and after the parade to ensure that participants are aware of social distancing requirements, with explicit instructions that participants are not to congregate outside of vehicles or along the parade route. The plan must identify the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and instruct persons with any of the symptoms not to participate.

Is a permit required?
A special event application is required if the vehicle parade will travel on roadways with traffic light-controlled intersections, on roads other than neighborhood or residential streets, or if peace officers are
requested to assist with the parade. An application may be submitted to the Austin Center for Events Application Portal:
https://abc.austintexas.gov/web/permit/index?reset=true