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July 4th River of Fire Fireworks Cancelled for 2021

[Kennewick, WA] – Amidst uncertainties about hosting large gatherings, the River of Fire fireworks display planned for July 4th has been cancelled for 2021.

Facing deadlines and financial commitments to confirm fireworks and event management logistics to accommodate a significant crowd in Columbia Park, the Three Rivers Carousel Foundation Board of Directors, its sponsors and City of Kennewick officials made the joint decision.

City Manager Marie Mosley said the decision is a difficult one. “It’s disheartening to cancel this celebration, however we understand the unknowns of our phased reopening and evolving guidelines make planning for an event of this size and scale at a major venue like Columbia Park challenging,” Mosley said.

The Three Rivers Carousel Foundation has been trying to plan an event where the COVID driven ground rules are not clearly defined and continue to shift. The Foundation also regrets the need to cancel, but says this is the prudent decision. The Foundation plans to be ready for a return in 2022.

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