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SHOW YOUR SEASONAL SPIRIT AND HELP LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

SUFFOLK, VA (December, 2011) The City of Suffolk is inviting all Suffolk residents to “Light Up the Night” for the First Annual Holiday Neighborhood Decorating Contest which runs December 10 through December 16, 2011.

Awards will be presented in both individual and neighborhood categories. The individual division will name a People’s Choice Award following online voting. Applicants are asked to submit an 8x10 photo of their home for review by the Judging Committee. The top 20 individual entries will be placed online for city-wide voting from December 15-18. The neighborhood entries will be in competition for the Best in Borough Award. Submit your neighborhood name and the judging committee will tour nominated neighborhoods on Friday, December 16. All winners will be announced at the Wednesday, December 21 City Council Meeting at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber located in the Municipal Building, 441 Market Street, Suffolk, Virginia.

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The City's 2011 Holiday theme is "Light Up The Night With Holiday Spirit" and decorating entries are encouraged to use this as their overarching theme. The contest, a new component to the City's Annual Holidays in Suffolk event season, is meant to demonstrate holiday spirit, not financial resources.

The deadline for entry in the People's Choice (individual) category is Saturday, December 10. The deadline for entry in the Best in Borough (neighborhood) category is Wednesday, December 14.

For more information or to download entry forms, please visit www.suffolkva.us/holidays or contact Dawn Evans at (757) 514-4000.

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