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SEC. 88.3.01 PURPOSE.

The City of Waverly, believing there is a benefit in encouraging a sense of community within neighborhoods, will permit the use of public rights-of-way for neighborhood "block parties". The City of Waverly establishes reasonable and necessary regulations of block parties in the best interest of public health, safety, and welfare of the residents and citizens.

SEC. 88.3.02 DEFINITIONS.

1. "Block Party" shall mean a neighborhood social event intended to take place on a public roadway or city-owned right-of-way. The purpose of such neighborhood event should benefit all persons whose property abuts the section of the street to be closed and is not intended to be used for a private benefit of a specific property owner (birthday parties, anniversaries, etc.)
2. "Public roadway" is any street, road, thoroughfare, alley or highway that provides vehicular and/or pedestrian access to the general public.
3. "Applicant" means the responsible party who has filed a written application for a block party.
4. "Arterial Roadway" means a major or main route designed to carry larger volumes of traffic.

SEC. 88.3.03 REGULATION.

1. The applicant must sign the Block Party Application and agree to the Block Party Guidelines as prescribed by the City of Waverly City Council.
2. The applicant must sign a statement holding the City of Waverly, its officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, harmless from any and all liability arising from the street closure.
3. Application must contain signatures from adjoining property owners.
4. Streets shall only be blocked using barricades provided by the Public Works Department.
5. The section of street to be closed shall only extend one block (cross-street to cross-street).

6. Alcohol (Beer and Wine) is allowed as long as it is not sold. Liquor is not allowed and can only be approved if a Class C Liquor License is obtained.

SEC 88.3.04 PROHIBITED ACTS.

1. No person may conduct a block party without prior approval pursuant to Section 88.3.03.
2. All Alcohol and Liquors cannot be provided to those attendees under the age of twenty-one (21).
3. Fireworks will not be permitted.
4. No fires are permitted upon the roadway or public property.
5. Driving of stakes or affixing objects to the public roadway in a manner that causes damage.

SEC 88.3.05 DENIAL OF REQUEST.

1. The City Administrator or designee will consult with staff and approve or reject the application. Applications may be rejected if, in the sole judgment of the City, granting the application would not be in the best interest of the public health, safety, or welfare, through excessive traffic, causing parking congestion, blocking access to other properties, or reducing access for emergency vehicles; or if the public health, safety or welfare was negatively affected by previous block parties in the same location or sponsored by the applicant; or if the applicant has previously failed to live up to their responsibilities as sponsor of a block party as outlined in this section; or if the applicant has supplied false information on the Block Party Application Form or failed to sign the Block Party Guidelines and Liability Statement.

SEC 88.3.06 REQUEST FOR HEARING.

1. An applicant may appeal, in writing, the City Administrator's decision to the city council. The appeal will be heard before the city council at a time and date fixed by council. Findings of the council shall be conclusive.

SEC. 88.4 FEES.

1. A fee shall be collected upon completion of the Block Party Application. These fees are administrative fees and equipment rental.