

Chapter 9.58

BLOCK PARTY

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9.58.010 Definition. Block party (“party”) shall mean a neighborhood social and recreational gathering of persons residing in adjacent city blocks where a portion of a street or alley sought to be closed and used for the gathering is completely residential. A party is a privately sponsored gathering that is not sponsored by an organization or business. A party does not involve the sale of food, alcohol, or concessions. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.020 Purpose. The purpose of a block party is to bring neighbors together to get to know each other, provide a forum for solving neighborhood problems, provide a sense of safety, assist in crime prevention, and build a sense of community. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.030 Application. Application for approval of a party shall be submitted to the Chief of Police or designee at least 15 days prior to said party. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.040 Approval. The chief of police or designee may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application for reasons of public health, safety, or welfare, or due to violation of this section, the city code of ordinances, or applicable state or federal law. The applicant may be requested to meet with the chief of police or designee to review the application. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.050 Noise. Parties are subject to noise regulation under ch. 9.56. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.060 Hours. A street or alley closed for a party shall be reopened 30 minutes prior to sunset. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.070 Termination. If the police department receives valid complaints concerning the party or the party does not conform to the conditions of the approved application, the police department may order the party to cease. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.080 Appeal. Appeal from a denial made under this chapter shall be made to the administrative review board under the procedures specified in ch. 1.06. (Ord. 6579, 2005).

9.58.090 Violation--Penalty. Any person violating any provision of this chapter, or any order, requirement, or condition imposed under this chapter by the chief of police or designee, shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$50 or more than \$500 per day for each violation, together with the costs of prosecution. (Ord. 6579, 2005).