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Traffic Commission
Engineering Department
Racine City Hall
730 Washington Ave., Room 304
Racine, WI 53403

To the Commission,

Each year, on the first Sunday of August, the Racine Art Guild sponsors the Starving Artist Fair on the grounds of East Park between 10th and 11th Streets, east of Main Street. This fair is known to draw large numbers of people (~4,000 visitors) and it offers the potential for serious traffic and pedestrian problems.

In order to minimize the possible congestion, I am requesting the City of Racine Traffic Engineer for the use of "Temporary No Parking" signs to be used on the east side of Main Street between 10th and 11th Streets with the restriction for the hours of 5 AM to 5 PM for Sunday August 4th, 2019. I have contacted a representative of the Racine Police Department to ensure that traffic control is available at both intersections.

I also have a special request: both 10th and 11th Streets east of Main Street are posted with "No Parking at Any Time" signs. I am requesting that this specific parking restriction be waved for the daylight hours prior to 9 AM and for a period not to exceed 1 hour from 4 PM to 5 PM on Sunday August 4th. The times will allow the artists to park their vehicles to unload and reload their displays and works of art that will be displayed and sold at the fair. For the time period from 9 AM to 4 PM no parking should be allowed either on the north side of 11th Street east of Main Street, or on the south side of 10th Street east of Main Street. In addition, we are requesting that south bound traffic on Main Street between 9th Street and 11th Street be diverted to Wisconsin Ave between 5:30 AM and 8 AM. Main Street traffic then would be reduced to only north bound traffic during this time.

Please call me if you have any questions concerning this request. The intent of this request is to minimize the traffic congestion, provide visibility to pedestrians in the area, and to provide appropriate access for the artists participating in the fair.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



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2019 Starving Artist Fair Chairman
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