

June 21, 2012

Mayor John Dickert
730 Washington Ave.
Racine, WI 53403

Mayor Dickert,

Real Racine would like to request use of the area near North Beach for the Real Racine Criterium on Tuesday, July 17, 2012. The race is part of the ICC Superweek Pro Tour series which goes from July 6-22. A meeting was held with the involved department heads this morning and a course and a plan was agreed upon.

The course would consist of Michigan Boulevard, Barker Street and Hoffert Drive. It is shown on the attached diagram. We are requesting street closure from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. . A lane (at least 12' wide) on Michigan Blvd. would be open to one way traffic for residents only to access their homes and driveways. The course will be separated from the driving lane by a series of solid barricades, cones and "caution tape" (similar to what was used two years ago along Lake and Wisconsin Avenues when the event was held in downtown Racine). A lane would also be open on Barker St. to allow access to the Racine Yacht Club, Water treatment plant and Pugh-Rooney Park. This will use solid barricades.

The proposed route needs two police- one at Barker and Michigan Blvd and the other at English St and Michigan Blvd. There will be no parking that day on Michigan Blvd. between English and Barker Sts. and on Yout St. between Chatham Ave. and Michigan Blvd. Barker, Kewaunee, St. Patrick, High and English Streets will be barricaded at Michigan Ave. The Belle Urban System bus route will be detoured to Main St. Northbound traffic will be detoured from Barker to Chatham to Yout and southbound traffic will be detoured on Chatham. Volunteers will assist pedestrians across the course at the intersections along Michigan Ave. and at several places on Hoffert Drive. There will be a period of approximately two minutes each lap where crossings will be able to take place.

There is a fee of \$450 for street closures and \$1,040 for the rental of North Beach Park. International Cycling Classic will provide proof of insurance at the level required by the City.

Real Racine is happy to bring this world-class event to Racine County. The course should prove to be a very challenging course for the riders and a spectacularly scenic course for the spectators. It truly highlights one of our greatest assets- North Beach.

Sincerely,

Dave Blank
Real Racine