



June 30, 2022

To: City of Racine Public Works and Service, City Attorney c/o John Rooney, Ronald Pritzlaff, Ara Molitor, Tara Coolidge, Scott Letteney, Ald. Mollie Jones

RE: Request for temporary Street Closure 8/7/22 to support safety at the Racine Starving Artist Fair, DeKoven Center

DT: 6/30/22

FR: Jayne Herring, Racine Art Guild board member, event coordinator 262-496-0016 or RAGuildSAF@gmail.com and Jill Castillo, Racine Art Guild President

The Racine Art Guild will be hosting its 57th Annual Starving Artist Fair at DeKoven Center, 600 Caron Butler Drive August 7, 2022. We are requesting the short-term closure of a portion of Wisconsin Avenue, 21st Street (Butler Caron Dr.) and Roosevelt Park Drive to promote the safety of our 130+ artists, vendors, and volunteers during the unloading and reloading time periods of 6:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. and again from 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Last year's somewhat shorter closure was extremely helpful in allowing the artists to unload their vehicles on Wisconsin and cross safely to DeKoven. This year, because of artist parking and food truck passage onto the DeKoven property, we would like to expand the closure by about a block.

REQUEST:

Close Wisconsin Avenue from DeKoven Avenue south through when it bends into becoming 21st Avenue/Caron Butler Drive. The closure would continue onto Roosevelt Park Drive through the second (south) drive into the Dr. John Bryant Community Center and soccer fields to the south where we will be parking the artists and general public. (Per Lesia Hill-Driver)

