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Chief of Police

May 4, 2022

TO: Steven Contente, Town Administrator

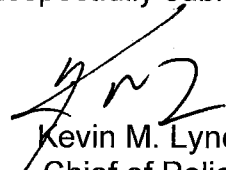
FROM: Kevin M. Lynch, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: MaryKae Wright, for Arts in Common—Request to Close Portion of High Street from Walley Street to Byfield Street for Annual Porchfest Music Event, September 18, 2022 (rain date—September 25, 2022)

Mr. Contente:

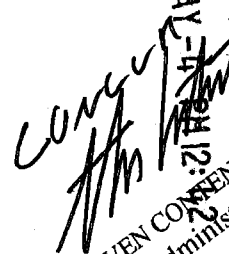
Lt. Steven St. Pierre has reviewed the petition, and I agree with his recommendation that the petitioner's request be approved provided that all Laws and Ordinances governing this practice are followed to include the Noise Ordinance, as well as utilizing the recommended detail. Please see attached recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,


Kevin M. Lynch
Chief of Police

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Attachment

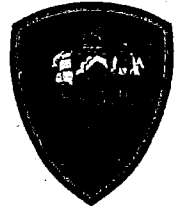

2022 MAY -4 PM 12:00
STEVEN CONTENTE
Town Administrator
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND

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MEMORANDUM

TO : Chief Kevin Lynch 4/27/22

VIA : Lt. Roman Wozny

FROM : Lt Steven St. Pierre

SUBJECT : ~~Porch Fest Music Event 9/18/2022~~

Sir,

I have reviewed Mary Kay Wright's petition for this year's Porch Fest to be held on Sunday 9/18/2022. This event will require a 4-hour street closure of a 6-block section of High Street from Wally Street to Byfield Street between 2:30 PM and 6:30PM. With a rain date of 9/25/2022.

I recommend the event hire two detail officers and two police cruisers to shut down their requested section of road from Walley Street to Byfield Street on High Street. Also, we recommended two additional detail officers and two police cruisers to span the area between the two detail posts to monitor for local vehicular traffic that may interfere with pedestrian traffic in the roadway and provide security for the event. Two digital traffic trailers shall be deployed in the area alerting motorists of road closures.

Based on the success of this event in the past and the extremely large crowds experienced in 2021, along with the already strong support for 2022 I also recommend restricting on street parking inside the requested area from 2:30pm to 6:30pm. 2021 saw numerous vehicles parked inside the event area try to leave the event prior to the roadway being safely passable due to pedestrian traffic. Additional event parking can be allowed on all connecting side streets and at the town common. Additionally, allowances should be made for local residents with handicapped parking and special considerations to park near their respective residences. Most of the on-street parking which was problematic during 2021 was from out-of-town guests looking to attend the event.

Given the organizers' eagerness to work with the Police Department and Town Departments for safety planning of this event, I recommend this petition be granted for the requested road closure to passing traffic and parking restriction for the time frame requested as long as the recommended detail provisions are met.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt Steven St. Pierre
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