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*** Host a Block Party ***

Intro

Welcome to the campaign for Wallingford's future. Wallingford is an attractive place to live, because it's been well maintained by vigilant neighbors like you. However, with a town government that works with us and for us, I think we can do better. My vision is for a safe and healthy town that is well-served by public transportation, easily accessible by car, bike, and foot, integrates with retail and outdoor destinations we desire, works with police and fire department to protect and serve, and engages neighbors to care for neighbors. My vision is of a town office with an open-door policy that listens and responds to the citizens. My vision is **investment in Wallingford's future**.

Please read more at www.jaredliu.com

Why a Block Party

Just as neighbors used to typically greet new residents to their block with baked goods or a bottle of wine, more of our neighborhoods used to have block parties. Currently, only 6 neighborhoods still maintain this practice regularly. We're going to expand that because, knowing one another is the first step in supporting one another.

Get Started

1. Congratulations on stepping up to be the point person! Pick a date or, better yet, select 2-3 dates that work for you so that neighbors can vote on options. The ideal window is a summer weekend afternoon (ex. Saturday 3-6pm).
2. Talk with neighbors. We've created an easy print form that can will help to ensure you ask the relevant questions, because it's important that you have buy-in for the event. Ideally, everyone is on board, although the police department wants to know that you have at least have a majority of neighbors in support.
3. File with the police. Email Lt. DeMaio at ademaio@wallingfordpd.org and copy Jared at jared@jaredliu.com. Again, we've created an easy form that you can print and send. Note which neighbors, if any, are opposed. If you're asking for the road to be closed, the police will submit a formal road closure.



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On the Day

1. If you requested that the street be closed, the police will post signs along the route and/or deliver barriers in advance. Depending on your street layout, you may be unable to close the whole street.
2. Setup: tents, grills, food trucks, etc. are permitted in the street so long as you don't make it inaccessible to emergency vehicles. Make sure that a fire truck and local traffic can get through on a moment's notice if need be. Despite that the street is closed, you cannot preclude neighbors from driving to their residences. As such, the police recommend that you setup fixed items in your driveway if possible.
3. Alcohol is permitted but must be kept on private property. Moreover and is your responsibility to know who is drinking.
4. Find a shady spot, turn up the tunes, and have fun, but plan to shut it down by 8pm to be respectful.

Bonus: Take some pictures at your block party and, with permission, **Tweet to #06492rocks**, or post to Facebook with a message about the change you'd like to see in Wallingford. And please remember to vote on Nov. 7!

*** BLOCK PARTY! ***

Intro

Many more neighborhoods used to have block parties, and we're hoping to bring it back for ours! So drag out your grills, grab a frosty beverage of choice, and let's take back the streets! As the organizers, we'll provide hot dogs and soda. If every family can bring something to share and pitch in \$5-10, then we'll do our best to fill in other food that's missing.

Deadline

Return this completed form in my mailbox, in the screen door, or under the front mat. Regardless of whether you want a block party, though, we need to hear from as many neighbors as possible. The police request that a majority of the responding neighbors are in support and that, as a courtesy, we notify them of who's opposed. Obviously, we hope this is something the majority of us want, and are open to making accommodations as necessary so that everyone can enjoy the day!

Return this form to (name and address): _____

By (deadline): _____

Here's what's next.

1. Are you in support of having a block party? **Yes / No** (circle one)

2. Vote on a date/time. 1= first choice, 2= second choice, and so on, but only vote for dates that are possible for you. We'll go with the date that works for the most people, with a preference for as many 1st and 2nd choices as possible.

<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

3. Street closure. Are you in favor? We don't have to close the street, but it's also a nice way to connect us together. If the majority of residents are in favor, we'll submit to close or partially close the street. Regardless, you will not be precluded from driving to/from your residence.

I am in support of the street being closed during the block party: **Yes / No** (circle one)

4. What can you bring (circle as many as applicable)?

Food: Side – Salad – Dessert – Beer – Wine – Soda – Burgers – Other _____

Items: Grill – Tent – Sound System – Games – Other _____

Donation: \$5-10 per family

5. Name & Address: _____

Phone and/or Email: _____



Lt. Anthony DeMaio
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Today's Date

Dear Lt. DeMaio,

I am organizing a block party on **(STREET NAME)** for **(DAY, DATE, TIME)**. I understand from Jared Liu that you are the contact for filing this request, and hope the details provided below are as requested. Thanks in advance for your help!

Street Closure Request:

We ARE requesting that the street be closed from **(ADDRESS)** to **(ADDRESS)**. Regardless, we are aware that the street must remain accessible to emergency vehicles and local traffic at all times.

Neighbors who are supportive:

Name:	Address:

Neighbors who are opposed:

Name:	Address:

Sincerely,
NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE

