



City of Newton Residential Block Party Street Closing Application

(Circle one)

Application Date: _____ Fee: **\$25.00** / **\$50.00** (less than 10 days in advance)

Name of Contact Person: _____

Address of Contact Person: _____

Contact Phone #: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Personal Email: _____ Work Email: _____

Date of Street Closing: _____

Time of Closing: From: _____ AM PM To: _____ AM PM

Street(s) to Block off: _____

Intersections: _____ & _____

Will the block party involve entertainment/music? Yes _____ No _____

IF Yes, please describe: (i.e. inflatables, amplified music, tents, etc.) Amplified sound will require a noise permit.

Signatures of all property owners within the blocked off portion of the street are required. Seventy-five (75%) percent of property owners must approve of street closure for approval. Use City of Newton Resident Consent Form.

The City of Newton reserves the right to deny closure of any and all streets.

Violation of terms or condition of permit may terminate the requested event without notice and may cancel future events.

Applicant agrees to defend and hold City of Newton harmless from any and all claims by third parties and all invitees, patrons, employees, agents, assignees to subcontractors of Applicant arising out of any act or failure to act by Applicant or any invitee, patron, employees, agent, assignee or subcontractor of Applicant.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

City Administrator's Approval: _____ Date: _____

Notification sent: Police Fire Public Works

Guidelines:

1. Generally, no high priority routes will be approved for closure. Side streets or Cul-de-sacs are recommended. A current map of streets considered to be primary access routes is available on the City Website at www.newtongov.org
2. Closing of a street for a block party should be done at times and in such a manner as to minimize any adverse impact upon any of the street's residents. The timeframe for the street closure shall be between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. No closure shall last more than eight (8) hours.
3. A **minimum of 75%** of persons living in the area affected by the block party street closing must be in agreement with having the street blocked. The applicant(s) for the event shall provide a list of signatures and addresses to accompany the application.
4. The City of Newton will provide street barricades when available. Applicant(s) shall contact Public Works to schedule a time to pick up the barricades. Applicant(s) must pick up the barricades at the Public Works Department, 1700 N 4th Ave W, and return to the same location between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Barricades must be returned within one (1) business day after the block party.

In the event the City of Newton does not have barricades available, private barricade companies can be found in the telephone book. The applicant(s) requesting the street closure is/are responsible and will be will for all damaged or lost barricades. **The fee for damaged or lost barricades may cost up to \$300.00 each.**

Barricades shall meet the standards of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). Vehicles, lawn furniture, saw horses, barbeques, trash cans or similar items cannot be used as barricades.

Barricades must allow access for emergency police, fire and ambulance vehicles and equipment. Fire Department vehicles need an eighteen-foot wide, unobstructed path in the center of the street, the entire length of the party.

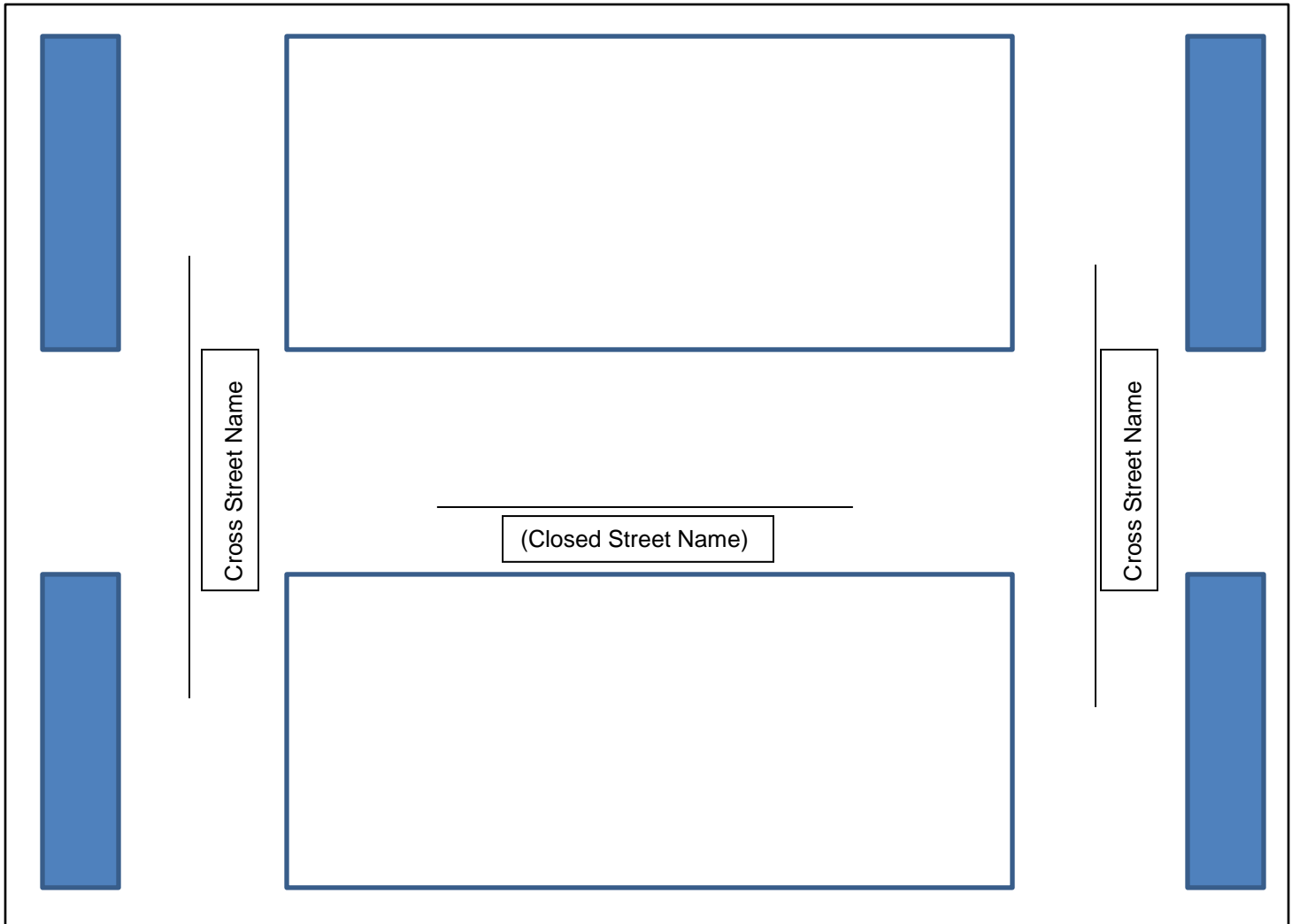
5. Keep all fire hydrants clear, undecorated, and unobstructed.
6. Keep large displays, tents, and amusements/rides confined to the parking lanes of the street or place them off the street in driveways. The use of large tents may require a separate permit. Fire Department vehicles need an eighteen-foot wide, unobstructed path in the center of the street, the entire length of the party.
7. Any music or noise shall be kept to an acceptable level in accordance with Chapter 93 "Noise Control" or Code of Ordinances. A noise control permit application must be approved by the Police Chief. Permits granted under this application allow for a provision up to an additional 5dB(A) & (C) of the ordinance. A violation of any provision of the noise control ordinance, disorderly conduct or disturbing the public quiet may be enforced as a municipal infraction or simple misdemeanor with civil or criminal penalties being applicable. Founded violations may be considered a breach of the road closure agreement and may result in the termination of the block party.

The use of fireworks is not allowed on the public right of way per Iowa Code and is only allowed on private property during prescribed times approved by City Council as defined in Chapter 135 "Fireworks" of the Code of Ordinances. A violation of any provision of Chapter 135 "Fireworks" may be enforced as a municipal infraction or simple misdemeanor with civil or criminal penalties being applicable. Founded violations may be considered a breach of the road closure agreement and may result in the termination of the block party.

8. All beer and liquor shall be consumed on private property and shall not be consumed in the public right of way.
Beer or liquor cannot be sold or dispensed by ticket, by paid admission or by contribution unless a permit has been issued by the Iowa Alcohol Beverage Division and City of Newton.
9. There should be no sales of food or sale of beverages at a block party.
10. City blocks may be closed for block parties two (2) times per year.
11. Each block party closing shall close only one (1) block. At no time shall contiguous blocks be closed for events including multiple block parties or special events. Specifically, no cross intersections may be closed.
12. Block party application shall be **SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN TEN (10) BUSINESS DAYS** prior to date requested for the block party. **It is recommended applicants submit thirty (30) days in advance of any requested closure to ensure adequate time for review and to clarify any questions which may result in denial.**
13. The applicant shall exclusively assume the risk of all uses authorized by permit including the establishment of barricades, restoration of streets or property used, policing of said property, injuries, medical insurance and all matters that may arise directly or indirectly with reference to the aforesaid uses and shall hold the City harmless from any claims, causes of action commenced or alleged by reason of any of the activities of the applicant or permit holder as the case may be.

I have read and agree to follow the guidelines for a Residential Block Party. _____Signature

Map of the Area:



— — — Barricade Location

Instructions for the Newton Resident Consent Form

1. All properties that are inside the closed area shall be represented on the Newton Resident Consent Form. The City of Newton may confirm consent of any or all respondents.
2. All contact information is required for each resident for verification purposes.
3. Properties that are listed for sale shall be signed off by the owner or listing agent.
4. Unknown property owners can be researched at:
<https://beacon.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?AppID=325&LayerID=3398&PageTypeID=2&PageID=2260>

