Downtown Street Festival

Everyone should be aware that there is a small group of individuals whose goal is to incrementally strive for a weekly Bastille Days - type street festival in downtown Waukesha.

The strategy:

Status

✓ Step 1 - Host acoustic musicians to perform on sidewalks 6:30-8:30PM
✓ 2 - (Former) Mayor promote his “Mini Water Street” vision of downtown
✓ 3 - Allow bars to open windows and doors to the street
✓ 4 - (Former) Deputy Chief of Police support a “party-like atmosphere”
✓ 5 - Approve extension of premises to include public sidewalks
✓ 6 - Approve sidewalk dining with alcohol and “quiet clinking of wine glasses”
✓ 7 - Vilify the Business Improvement District (BID) leadership (replace BID Director)
✓ 8 - Circumvent the BID authority
✓ 9 - Block daytime street parking for retail businesses
✓ 10 - Move stages from sidewalks to the streets
✓ 11 - Transition from acoustic music to amplified rock bands
✓ 12 - Create a pedestrian safety issue
✓ 13 - Call the Police to report a safety issue
✓ 14 - Police close streets due to “Pedestrian Safety”
✓ 15 - Appoint supporters to the BID Board
✓ 16 - Ignore pleas from struggling retail businesses
✓ 17 - Ignore any and all requests for compromise
✓ 18 - Dismiss, discredit and destroy opponents
✓ 19 - Label opponents to street closings as “rabble rousers”
✓ 20 - Block sidewalks to pedestrians
✓ 21 - Don’t enforce sidewalk dining ordinance
✓ 22 - Lobby to allow bars to extend premises to street parking
✓ 23 - Have an Alderman state: “there’s no alternative but to close the streets.”
✓ 24 - Allow bands to play past 8:30PM
✓ 25 - Don’t enforce noise ordinance
✓ 26 - Don’t enforce open intoxicant ordinance
✓ 27 - Produce an “unbiased” survey
28 - Lobby to allow open intoxicants in all of downtown
29 - Extend festival hours to MIDNIGHT

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!