



March 3, 2023

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**Sound Level Variances**

**El Burrito Mercado – Fridays Music Series, Fiesta Mexicanas  
And Saturday Music Series, Musica En Mi Barrio**

Dear St. Paul Property Owner:

This is to inform you of a request for a variance from the sound level limitations as indicated in the St. Paul Noise Ordinance (Chapter 293 of the St. Paul Legislative Code). Property owned by you and located near the noise source, may be affected by this variance request. Rental property owners must provide a copy of this notice to all renters or post a copy in a common area of the building so it can be viewed by the occupants.

**Description of Variance:**

**Location:** 175 Cesar Chavez

**Noise Source:** El Burrito Mercado has requested two sound level variances, at a requested sound level limit of 78 dBA at no specified distance, to provide the use of a sound system with amplified music for the El Burrito Mercado's Fiesta Mexicanas Friday Series and the Musica En Mi Barrio Saturdays Music Series. The variances are requested for the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., for a music series starting on Friday, May 5, 2023, for (six) (6) Fridays: May 5th, June 9th, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 7<sup>th</sup>, July 21, and August 4th; and one Friday and five (5) Saturdays: June 10<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 8th, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, August 4<sup>th</sup> and September 16, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at 175 Cesar Chavez Street. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variances shall be for the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., for the El Burrito Mercado's Fiesta Mexicanas Friday Series starting on Friday, May 5, 2023, for six (6) Fridays as listed above and for one Friday and five (5) Saturdays, from 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. starting on Saturday, June 10, 2023 for the Musica En Mi Barrio Series as listed above. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 78 dBA as measured 50 feet from any sound source. 3) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the sound level variance conditions. 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 9:00 p.m. on the dates of the events.

**Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically.** The public may comment on public hearing items in person, writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, March 21, 2023, will be attached to the public record and available for review by the City Council. Comments may be submitted as follows: Written public comment on public hearing items can be submitted to [Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us), [CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us), or by voicemail at 651-266-6805. Live testimony will be taken in person in the Council Chambers, and by telephone by registering to speak by noon on the day before the meeting. The registration link is located on the City Council website at [www.stpaul.gov/council](http://www.stpaul.gov/council) or <https://forms.office.com/g/TD3xN7WHy5>. Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or on local cable Channel 18.

**A public hearing before the City Council on these variance requests will be held on:**

Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: 3rd floor, City Hall Council Chambers

After the public hearing, the Council may grant, deny, or modify the variance request.

If you have questions about the sound level variance, please contact: Barb McMonigal-St.Dennis, Environmental Health Specialist, 651-266-9137, [barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us)