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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Sound Level Variance Veit & Company – Minnesota Street Reconstruct for City of St Paul

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. <u>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.</u>

Description of Variance:

Location: Minnesota Street from Kellogg Blvd E to 6th St

Noise Source: Logan Carlson, Veit & Company, Project Engineer, has requested a sound level variance with no requested sound level limit or specified distance from the sound source, to present amplified sound with use of a sound system for the Minnesota Street Reconstruct for City of St Paul event beginning as soon as possible and ending November 30, 2023 at Minnesota Street from Kellogg Blvd E to 6th St. The variance is requested for the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, beginning as soon as possible and ending Thursday November 30, 2023. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, September 12, 2023 through Thursday November 30, 2023 for the Minnesota Street Reconstruct for the City of St Paul event at Minnesota Street from Kellogg Blvd E to 6th St. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 95 dBA as measured at 50 feet from all sound sources on project dates through November 30, 2023. 3) The applicant shall use best practicable methods for controlling noise, such as, but not limited to noise blankets, shields or portable sound barriers. Construction activities should be scheduled to minimize noise as much as possible. 4) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment who shall provide continuous sound level monitoring during the hours of the variance. 5) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, September 12, 2023 through November 30, 2023. 6) If the sound level variance is approved, the applicant will notify, in writing, all property owners/residents within 400 feet of the proposed work location. Notice shall be a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the work.

Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically. The public may comment on public hearing items in person, in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, September 5, 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 <u>Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u>,

<u>CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u>, 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 <u>www.stpaul.gov/council</u> or <u>https://forms.office.com/g/TD3xN7WHy5</u>.

Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <u>https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</u> or on local cable Channel 18.

A public hearing before the City Council on this variance request will be held on:

Date: Wednesday, September 6, 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