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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sound Level Variance
2017 Flint Hills International Children's Festival
Ordway Center – Rice Park and Landmark Plaza

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: Rice Park and Landmark Plaza

Noise Source: Ordway Center Flint Hills International Children's Festival 2017 has requested a sound level variance in order to present live bands at Rice Park and Landmark Plaza with a requested sound level limit of 90-110 decibels (dBA) at no specified distance beginning May 30, 2017 through June 2, 2017, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 9:00 a.m., and June 3 and 4, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The variance shall be for the Ordway Center Flint Hills International Children's Festival 2017 at Rice Park and Landmark Plaza from May 30, 2017 through June 2, 2017, with a pre-event sound check at 9:00 a.m. 2) Noise source of operation for the event performances are 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. from May 30, 2017 through June 2, 2017 and 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on June 3 and 4, 2017. 3) All electronically powered equipment, PA system, loudspeaker or any similar device used in conjunction with the event, will not exceed 90 dBA, as measured 50 feet from any stage or sound source used for music and/or announcements between the hours of 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on May 30, 2017 through June 2, 2017 and from 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on June 3 and June 4, 2017. 4) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the sound level variance conditions. 5) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices will be turned off by 2:00 p.m. on May 30 through June 2, 2017 and by 5:00 p.m. on June 3 and 4, 2017.

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

Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2017
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: 3rd floor, City Hall Council Chambers

If you attend the public hearing, you will be given the opportunity to present verbal comments or objections before the City Council. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may file written comments or objections with the: City of St. Paul, Department of Safety and Inspections, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806, attention Barb McMonigal-St.Dennis or by email to barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us. Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, April 4, 2017.