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To: [*CI-StPaul>Contact-Council](#)
Subject: Comment re Sound Level Variance at 2383 University Ave W
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Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to express my concerns about the Application for a Sound Level Variance at 2383 University Ave W (University and Raymond Ave). My concern relates to the full-day duration of the request and stems from the fact that many people, including myself, are working from their homes as required by many employers and the State of Minnesota during this public health emergency.

I understand construction creates noise. However, the proposed noise levels described in the Application are not merely annoying; they are loud enough to impact people's remote meetings and other work materially. I believe Kraus Anderson's needs should not outway neighbor's needs to work productively in their homes, the only workplace currently available to many. By applying for a full-day noise variance every weekday for over two months, Kraus Anderson appears to be acting as though these are normal times. If we are all in this together, then Kraus Anderson needs to recognize that their construction impacts significantly more people than it might ordinarily and make adjustments, just as neighbors have done to work as productively as possible at home.

For this reason, I am requesting the City Council modify Kraus Anderson's request. Ideally, the additional noise would be approved for limited periods each day, and even substituting weekend days for some weekdays. Additionally, I believe a more extended minimum notification period of 72 hours is needed for each day of noise covered by the Variance. This extended notification would help those impacted by the noise plan their work calls and remote meetings as best as possible.

Sincerely,

Ed Coleman

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