

Dear Barb,

I am a Board Member of the Park Towers Condo Association and on their behalf am raising these two suggestions for clarifying the SLV application expectations and procedures. I am also hoping the the applicant related to tomorrow's public hearing will clarify their plans and procedures relevant to these suggestions. FYI, I plan to attend the hearing tomorrow.

Thank you very much.

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PS: As the spelling of your email address is so long and unusual, I would appreciate a reply to confirm that you received this email today.

(1) Because any excessive noise comes from the public address (PA) sound system, not the entertainers and their instruments, if the event sound exceeds the allowed volume, it should be possible to readily contact the operator of the PA system. Therefore, future versions of the Application for Sound Level Variance should explicitly request the name and phone number of the PA system operator. In the meantime, applicants should be asked to informally provide that information to the City.

(2) Inasmuch as some sound speakers in PA systems are directional while others are non-directional. And given that during the 2016 Octobrfest the stage and the sound speakers were directed to the west, even though that is the only direction of residential units around Rice Park, it is recommended that if the PA system for the proposed events uses directional speakers, that the sound speakers be directed to the north and south, not the west. (It is noteworthy that the residential units in either the Landmark or Park Towers and the Lowry Building total to about 140 units, in addition to the rooms in the Saint Paul Hotel.) The application does already state that the event applicant specify the proposed direction of the speakers. The specific direction of this recommendation could be communicated either formally or informally to the applicants.