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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Sound Level Variance  
Waldmann Oktoberfest

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:** Waldmann Beer Garden, 445 Smith Avenue N

**Noise Source:** Tom Schroeder, Waldmann, has applied for a sound level variance, with a sound level request of 85 dBA at no specified distance, in order to provide music outdoors at 445 Smith Ave. N. on Friday, Sept. 18 through Sunday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Sept. 25 through Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020; from noon to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 and 25 and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 26, 2020 and from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20 and 27, 2020, with a pre-event sound check at 1 hour prior daily. The Department of Safety and Inspections recommends the following conditions: 1) the Variance shall be for Friday, Sept. 18 through Sunday, Sept. 20, and Friday, Sept. 25 through Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020; from noon to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 and 25 and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 26, 2020 and from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20 and 27, 2020, with a pre-event sound check at 1 hour prior daily. 2) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 85 dBA as measured at 50 feet from the sound source from the hours of 12:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 and 25, and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 26, and from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20 and 27, 2020. 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 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 18, 19, 25 and 26 and no later than 7:00 p.m. on Sept. 20 and 27, 2020 the dates of the event.

Public attendance at the City Council's regular meeting location is not feasible due to the COVID-19 health pandemic. Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or on local cable Channel 18.

**Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically.** The public may comment on public hearing items in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020, and 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.

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

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means. 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)**