



CITY OF SAINT PAUL
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Public
Hearing
June 1, 2011

Application for Sound Level Variance
City of Saint Paul Noise Ordinance
Chapter 293 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code

1. Organization or person seeking variance: Northern Lights.mn for Northern Spark
2. Mailing Address with Zip Code: 2751 Hennepin Ave. S. #231 55408
3. Responsible person: Steve Dietz
4. Title or position: President and Artistic Director
5. Telephone: 952-994-4118
6. Briefly describe the noise source and equipment involved: please see two-page addendum.
7. Address or legal description of noise source: please see two-page addendum.
8. Noise source time of operation: please see two-page addendum.
9. Briefly describe the steps that will be taken to minimize the noise levels: please see two-page addendum.
10. Briefly state reason for seeking variance: Northern Spark is a one-night, all-night arts festival, in collaboration with more than a dozen St. Paul-based organizations. A limited number of projects use sound outside of normally allotted sound-making hours.
11. Date(s) during which the variance is requested: June 4, 7:30pm - June 5, 5:28am, 2011

Signature of responsible person:  Date: 4/27/11

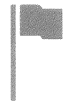
Return completed Application and \$164.00 fee to:
CITY OF SAINT PAUL
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 JACKSON STREET, SUITE 220
SAINT PAUL, MN 55101-1806
(651) 266-8989

Office Use Only	
Date Rec'd.	_____
Reviewed	_____
Date Public Notice Sent	_____
Referred to Council	_____

NOTE: APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO FEWER THAN 30 (THIRTY) DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT DATE



Projects for the full duration of Northern Spark (June 4, 8:55 pm- June 5 5:28 am)



Sewer Pipe Organ: speakers installed beneath sewer grates.



Location: Upper Landing Park, 200ft away from residential



Mitigation: amplified speakers can be directed away from residential and volume-controlled

Audible Range: less than 65 dBA at 50ft from source



Wind Harps: instruments of metal and string that make a naturally a soft, acoustic sound.



Location: Upper Landing Park,



Mitigation:, placement will be 300ft + from residential

Audible Range: less than 65 dBA at 50ft from source



Movies programming with audio from speakers, by the Friends of St. Paul Public Libraries



Location: Saint Paul Central Library courtyard, 76 Kellogg Blvd W



Mitigation: audio volume can be set to be contained within the Library's courtyard

Audible Range: less than 80 dBA at 50ft from source



American Composers' Forum will put together a collection of music to be output by speakers.



Location: closed block of Broadway between Prince and Kellogg

Mitigation: low speaker volume, speakers faced away from residential, on a block being closed for Northern Spark



Audible Range: less than 80 dBA at 50ft from source



Scheduled events



Pre-event concert, electronic music out of speakers.

Location: History Theater at 10th Street W and Cedar

7pm-8:30pm

Mitigation: amplified speakers can be directed away from residential and volume-controlled

Audible Range: less than 85 dBA at 50ft from source



Opening Event, 8 cars play a musical composition on their horns

Location: Upper Landing parking lot, 221 Shepard Rd

8:55-9:03 pm

Mitigation: performance is limited to 8 minutes or less, cars will face away from residential



Schubert Club's 3-horn fanfare

Location: from the balcony of north side of Landmark, contained within Hamm plaza, 102 W 6th St

8:55-9:00 pm

9:30-9:35 pm

10-10:05pm

11:00 pm-11:05pm

12:00 am- 12:05am

5:28 am-5:33 am (exact ending of Northern Spark, sunrise time)

Mitigation: performance is limited to 5 minutes and 3 horns

Audible Range: less than 80 dBA at 50ft from source



Video projection and shadow puppet show onto the Science Museum facade, live acoustic performance and electronic music out of speakers

Location: from Celebration Field, near 164 W Ryan Ave

9:30-10 pm

11:00pm-11:30pm

Mitigation: low speaker volume, speakers faced away from residential, contained within field

Audible Range: less than 60 dBA at 50ft from source



Flint Hills and Ordway put on live puppet performers with amplified music accompaniment

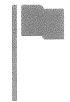
Location: Landmark Plaza, at 370 St Peter St

9:35 pm-9:55 pm

10:05 pm-10:25 pm

Mitigation: amplified speakers can be directed away from residential and volume-controlled

Audible Range: less than 80 dBA at 50ft from source





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Noise Variance

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