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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Sound Level Variance Flint Hills Family Festival 4<sup>th</sup> & Washington Streets 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:** 4<sup>th</sup> & Washington Streets and at Landmark Plaza

**Noise Source:** Flint Hills Family Festival has requested a sound level variance in order to present live music at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Washington and at Landmark Plaza with a requested sound level limit of 90-110 decibels (dBA) at no specified distance, beginning May 28, 2019 through May 31, 2019, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 9:00 a.m. for children's sessions; additionally, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on May 31 with a pre-event sound check at 3:00 p.m.; and from 10:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. on June 1, 2019 with a pre-event sound check at 9:00 a.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the Flint Hills Family Festival from May 28 through June 1, 2019, 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 1:30 p.m. from May 28 through May 31 for children's sessions; additionally, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a 3:00 p.m. pre-event sound check on May 31; and from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a 9:00 a.m. pre-event sound check on June 1, 2019. 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. 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 1:30 p.m. May 28 through May 31 for children's sessions; otherwise, by 9:00 p.m. on May 31, and June 1, 2019.

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

**Date:** Wednesday, May 22, 2019  
**Time:** 3:30 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](mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us). Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, May 21, 2019.