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### Sound Level Variance Application

City of Saint Paul Noise Ordinance (Chapter 293)

**Note:** A public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council is required. Application and fee must be received no fewer than forty five (45) days prior to the public hearing date that is before the requested Variance start date.

1. Organization/person seeking variance: HONGTOWN MARKETPLACE
2. Mailing Address w/zip code: 217 COMO AVE, #2-100, ST. PAUL, MN 55103
3. Responsible person: TOUA XIONG Title: OWNER
4. Event Name: HONGTOWN FESTIVAL
5. Telephone: (612) 382-6401 E-Mail: TOUA@hongtownmarketplace.com
6. Date(s) during which the variance is requested: June 25 & 26, 2016
7. Noise source - Time(s) of operation: 9 AM - 9 PM  
- Time(s) of pre-event sound check: 8 AM - 9 AM
8. Address or legal description of Noise source: 217 COMO AVE, ST. PAUL, MN 55103
9. Sound level requested: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Describe the noise source and all equipment involved: LIVE MUSIC PERFORMED ON STAGE, CD/DVD DISPLAYED (PLAYED) BY VENDORS
11. Describe the steps that will be taken to minimize the noise levels: WILL HAVE FESTIVAL SECURITY WALK AROUND THE FESTIVAL AREA TO CONTROL THE SOUND.
12. State reason for seeking variance: (E.g. music, announcements, construction, etc.)  
MUSIC & ANNOUNCEMENTS
13. Attach site diagram showing location of noise source(s), streets, stages, tents, etc. (If there will be amplified sound, indicate location and direction that all speakers will be facing.) Multiple locations may require more than one application.
14. Return completed Application, Site Diagram, and **\$164.00** fee to:

CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS  
375 JACKSON STREET, SUITE 220  
SAINT PAUL, MN 55101-1806

Signature of responsible person:  Date: 3-11-16

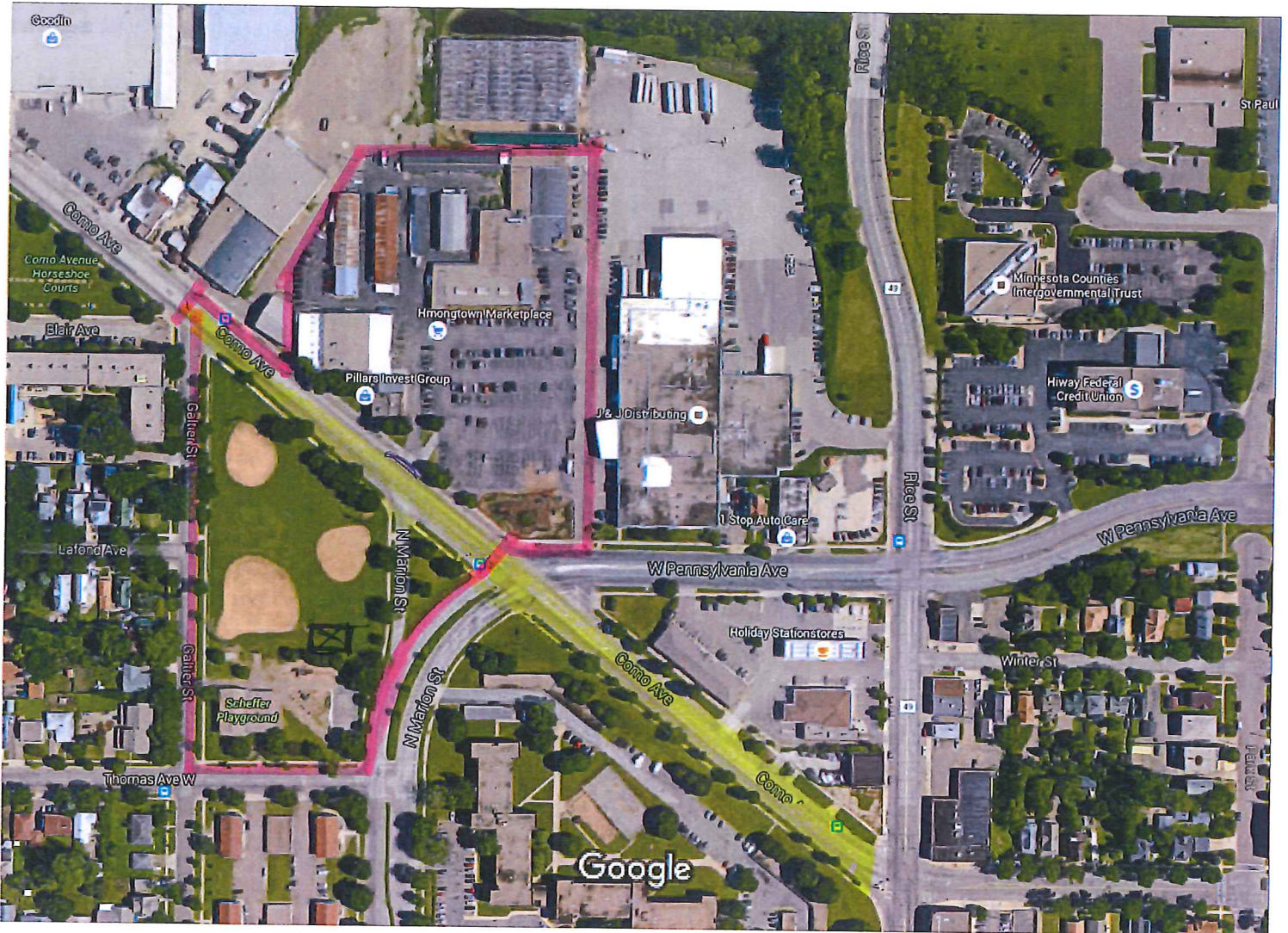
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Hmongtown Festival 6/25-26/2016  
217 Como Ave, St. Paul, MN 55103



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☒ = STAGE FOR LIVE MUSIC  
 SPEAKERS/AMPLIFIED WILL BE FACING SOUTH TO NORTH.  
 THE MAJOR NOISE WILL GO STRAIGHT TO THE HMONGTOWN MARKETPLACE.



## HMONGTOWN FESTIVAL SUMMARY

June 25 & 26, 2016

### Festival Applicant

The HmongTown Festival (HTF) is a festival hosted by the HmongTown Marketplace, LLC. The HmongTown Marketplace has been existed at 217 Como Ave since 2004. It is a bazaar marketplace providing over 200 all year-round in-door spaces and over 100 out-door (summer only) spaces for the Hmong Community to do businesses. The marketplace opens 7 days a week and 365 days/year.

### Purpose

The HmongTown Marketplace has been existed for over 12 years. In the past years it has been holding small celebrations within the marketplace. Many travelers and people from the neighborhood have been giving us feedback that they do not know the existence of the marketplace. This year we plan to expand the activity outside the marketplace onto Como Ave and the Schefer Park. The purpose is to increase awareness of our existence, to bring people back to the neighborhood and to expose the Hmong culture to the communities at large.

### Festival Location

HmongTown Festival will be held inside the HmongTown Marketplace, Como Ave and the Schefer Park (across street from the marketplace). Como Ave (from Marion Street to Galtier Street) will be closed for the two days event.

### Festival Activities

The activities of the festival will include the followings:

- Food and drinks booths (these are not including the existing indoor food booths)
- Liquor sale booth
- General merchandise sales
- Live music on stage
- Kids rides
- Parade



The food booths and general merchandise booths are planned to set on Como Ave and the HmongTown Marketplace parking lot where the music, children rides and other activities are held inside the Schefer Park.

There will be a parade involved and the parade is planned to circle around the Schefer Park. The staging will be inside the HmongTown Marketplace, exiting from the marketplace out to Como Ave, turning right and at Galtier Street, turning left to Thomas Ave, left to Marion Street, left to Como and then back into the marketplace.

**Festival Contact Person**

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