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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Twin Cities Jazz Festival – Mears Park Sound Level Variance

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: Mears Park

Noise Source: Twin Cities Jazz Festival has applied for a sound level variance, at a requested sound level limit of 92 dBA at 100 feet in order to provide music outdoors at Mears Park on Wednesday, June 21 through Sunday, June 25, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 11:00 a.m. on June 21, 2017 through June 25, 2017. The Department of Safety and Inspections recommends the following conditions: 1) The variance shall be for the hours of 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. on June 21, 2017 through June 24, 2017 and from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on June 25, 2017, with a pre-event sound check at 11:00 a.m. on June 21, 2017 through June 25, 2017. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 75 dBA as measured at 50 feet from the sound source during the hours of 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.; and shall not exceed 80 dBA as measured 50 feet from the sound source during the hours of 12:00 until 5:00 p.m.; and shall not exceed 92 dBA as measured 50 feet from sound source from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on June 21, 22 and 23, 2017; on June 24, 2017 and June 25, 2017 the sound level limit shall not exceed 75 dBA as measured 50 feet during the hours of 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.; from 12:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. is not to exceed 92 dBA at 50 feet on June 24, 2017 and is not to exceed 92 dBA at 50 feet from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on June 25, 2017) 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 10:00 p.m. on the dates of the event.

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

Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Time: 5:30 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 within fifteen (15) days of the mailing date on this notice, submit 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. Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, May 16, 2017.