



September 9, 2025

STATE OF MN PM CAPITOL MALL
50 SHERBURNE AVE STE 50
SAINT PAUL MN 55155-1402

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance

2025 Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon – Minnesota State Capitol Grounds

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: Minnesota State Capitol Grounds – 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd

Noise Source: Sam Rush, Twin Cities in Motion, Event Operations Manager has applied for a sound level variance in order to provide amplified sound for announcements, speakers and/or music at the 2025 Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025 and from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 7:15 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 5, 2025 at Minnesota State Capitol Grounds – 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. The Department of Safety and Inspections recommends the following conditions: 1) Variance will be for the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 7:00 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025 and from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 7:15 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 5, 2025. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 85 dBA as measured 50 feet from sound source. 3) The applicant shall monitor the decibel level from the variance approved distance of each noise source and create a report that records the general operating decibel levels within 15 minutes of the start of each performing act and at intervals no greater than 60 minutes apart thereafter. The report shall be made available for viewing by city staff, upon request during the variance or within 30 days thereafter. Applicant shall also conduct a decibel reading during the variance upon request of city staff. 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices will be turned off no later than 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5, and no later than 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 6, 2024, the event dates.

Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically. The public may comment on public hearing items in person, in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 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, CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us, or by voicemail at 651-266-6805. Live testimony will be taken in person in the Council Chambers, and by telephone by registering to speak by noon on the day before the meeting. The registration link is located on the City Council website at www.stpaul.gov/council or <https://forms.office.com/g/TD3xN7WHy5>. Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or on local cable Channel 18.

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

Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: 3rd floor, City Hall Council Chambers

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