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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance - The Taste of Minnesota 2014

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: Harriet Island

Noise Source: The Taste of Minnesota, represented by Linda Maddox, General Manager, has requested a sound level variance in order to present amplified music, announcements and fireworks during The Taste of Minnesota from 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, 2014, Friday, July 4, 2014, Saturday, July 5, 2014 and Sunday, July 6, 2014. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1) Variance will be for the hours of 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, 2014, Friday, July 4, 2014, Saturday, July 5, 2014 and Sunday, July 6, 2014. 2) Main Stage: All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 100 dBA at the sound mix or 100 feet from stage, whichever is the shorter distance. 3) Tent Stage: All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 95 dBA at the sound mix or 50 feet from stage, whichever is the shorter distance. 4) Kid Stage: All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 85 dBA at the sound mix or 50 feet from stage, whichever is the shorter distance. 5) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment who will provide continuous sound level monitoring at each sound mix during the hours of the variance. 6) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers, or similar devices located on the event grounds must be turned off no later than 11:00 p.m. on the event dates.

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

Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2014

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, written comments or objections may be filed 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 June 3, 2014. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Barbara McMonigal-St. Dennis at (651) 266-9137.