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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

### Hmong Town Festival 2017 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:**

**Locations:** 217 Como Avenue, Como Avenue between Marion Street and Galtier Street, and Sheffer Park

**Noise Source:** Hmong Town Marketplace, represented by Toua Xiong, owner, has requested a sound level variance, at a requested sound level limit of 85 dBA, at no specified distance, in order to present amplified music and announcements during the Hmong Town Festival at 217 Como Avenue, Como Avenue between Marion Street and Galtier Street, and Sheffer Park, from 9:00 a.m. until midnight, with a pre-event sound check at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 24, 2017 and Sunday, June 25, 2017. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1) The variance will only be for the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on June 24, 2017 and from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on June 25, 2017, with a pre-event sound check at 7:00 a.m. on each day. 2) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 85 dBA as measured at 50 feet from any stage. 3) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in the merchandise areas must not exceed 75 dBA as measured at the nearest residential receiver. 4) The applicant will provide personnel and equipment, who will conduct sound level monitoring during the event to ensure compliance with the variance conditions. 5) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices must be turned off no later than 11:59 p.m. on June 24, 2017 and no later than 8:00 p.m. on June 25, 2017.

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

Date: Wednesday, June 7, 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](mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us). Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, June 6, 2017.