

McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)

E-MAIL RESPONSE

From: Corey Mohan <coreymohan@gmail.com> # /
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 5:29 PM
To: McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Public comment - Boyd Park Variance Request - B Horst Productions

Dear Ms. McMonigal-St. Dennis

There was little detail about the proposed events in the letter that came to our residence. Here's the site I found that may be helpful to other neighbors if you receive inquiries.

<https://www.gofundme.com/beats-in-boyd-2018>

My objections/proposed modifications.

- One event, fine. I'm not keen on five. Let's see how one goes, evaluate and plan from there.
- Many Boyd neighbors are Somali refugees who have settled in St. Paul. I'm happy they're here. Their predominant religious affiliation is Muslim. The wine and beer proposed for this event will not serve this community. It may very well serve to drive them away. I would propose an "Alcohol Free Event" and that a Somali music group be included. I've heard a few Somali groups play live and it's very accessible for a diverse audience. Want alcohol? Support the local business with beer and wine sales rather than dispense it in Boyd park.
- There's already a fund drive for the playground. This additional one could make money for the promoter but only a small percentage goes to the playground foundation - 7%
- the promoters goal is to make Boyd a "destination park." This is a residential neighborhood adjacent to a business district. I'd rather it remain a "local park." We need a buffer, a place of respite, between our residential neighborhood and the nearby commercial development west on Selby.
- 90 decibels is too loud. It doesn't have to be that loud. No reason it has to be driven through the windows and walls of adjacent residences at that level. I'm a musician, love live performances and like it loud enough to hear. 90 decibels is beyond anything necessary- here's what I found on a quick internet search on the 90 decibel level proposed by the promoter. (See photo below)
- We like our summer Friday evenings already. I don't need five "destination events" to enjoy them more. One event, live music, low volume, alcohol free and inclusive of the Somali community better serves our neighborhood.

Thanks for requesting input. Much appreciated.

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Comparitive Examples of Noise Levels

Noise Source	Decibel Level	Decibel Effect
Boeing 737 or DC-9 aircraft at one nautical mile (6080 ft) before landing (97 dB); power mower (96 dB); motorcycle at 25 ft (90 dB). Newspaper press (97 dB).	90	4 times as loud as 70 dB. Likely damage in 8 hour exposure.

Sent from my iPad

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From: Lois Bjorlie <bjorliel@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 8:41 AM
To: McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)
Subject: No noise variance for Beats for Boyd

Boyd is a small park surrounded by residences. Having 90 decibel music that often and that long will be hard to tolerate. Please deny this variance request.

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