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April 29, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance

Asian Economic Development Association – Little Mekong Night Market

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: 353 University Avenue, 422 University Avenue and on the corner of Western Ave N and Sherburne Avenue **Noise Source:** Evie Mouacheupao, Asian Economic Development Association (AEDA), Arts & Culture Manager, has requested a sound level variance, for 90 dBA at no specific distance, to present amplified sound with use of a sound system for the Little Mekong Night Market, on June 22, 2024, and June 23, 2024 at 353 University Avenue, 422 University Avenue and on the corner of Western Ave N and Sherburne Avenue. The variance is requested for the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on June 22, 2024, and 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on June 23, 2024 with a pre-event sound checks at 2:00 p.m. on June 22, and 12:00 p.m. on June 23, 2024. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, 2024, and 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 23, 2024 with a pre-event sound check at 2:00 p.m. on June 22, 2024, and 12:00 p.m. on June 23, 2024 for the Little Mekong Night Market. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 90 dBA at 50 feet from any sound source on June 22, 2024 and June 23, 2024. 3) 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 11:00 p.m. on June 22, 2024, and 9:00 p.m. on June 23, 2024.

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, May 14, 2024, 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, May 15, 2024

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