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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance

Granite Inliner, LLC – City Wide Sewer Lining Project – Portland between Hamline and Syndicate

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: Portland between Hamline and Syndicate

Noise Source: Granite Inliner, LLC. has applied for a sound level variance, at a requested sound level limit of 80 decibels (dBA) at 50 feet, for operating general construction/demolition equipment and other repair and installation equipment for replacement, set up and installation of a cured in place sewer pipe. Rehabilitation of deteriorated and corroded damage to the sewer pipe is required. Work is to take place on Portland between Hamline and Syndicate. The project proposes to allow elevated sound levels during two (2) 24-hour-per-day periods at the sewer pipe rehabilitation site, between the dates of September 8, 2020 and October 9, 2020 with a sewer liner curing process requiring 24 hours of continuous work. Applicant indicates the site set up would occur from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with use of equipment with back up alarms and hand-held power tools. From 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. of the following day, the equipment to be used will be critically silenced pumps and truck mounted boiler, and at the recommendation of the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), not to exceed 70 decibels (dBA) at 50 feet. DSI is recommending that the occupants of property located within 400 feet of the work location be notified in writing by Granite Inliner, LLC. a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the work. DSI also recommends that Granite Inliner, LLC. provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the variance conditions. Contractors working on the project to use best practicable methods for controlling noise, such as, but not limited to noise blankets, shields or portable sound barriers. Construction activities should be scheduled to minimize noise as much as possible in the late night and early morning hours.

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

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means.

The public may comment on public hearing items in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting 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. Please see attached insert regarding this public hearing process. More information is available at www.stpaul.gov/departments/city-council.