



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Sound Level Variance  
Water Lantern Festival Twin Cities

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:** Phalen Park

**Noise Source:** Jared Person, Water Lantern Festival, has requested a sound level variance, at a requested sound level limit of 95 dBA at 95 feet, to provide the use of a sound system for amplified music and announcements at Phalen Park. The variance is requested for the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 25, 2018. 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 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 11:00 a.m., for the Water Lantern Festival Twin Cities on Saturday, August 25, 2018. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 90 dBA as measured 50 feet from any sound source. 3) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the sound level variance conditions. The applicant may need to provide a barrier, to act as a sound absorber, to contain excess sound from leaving the area 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 10:00 p.m. on the date of the event.

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

Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2018

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 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, August 14, 2018.