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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sound Level Variances

Saint Paul Festival & Heritage Foundation – Saint Paul Winter Carnival

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: Rice Park – 109 W 4th St, and Landmark Plaza Park- 379 St Peter Street, St Paul, MN 55102

Noise Source: Saint Paul Festival & Heritage Foundation, Lisa Jacobson, CEO, has requested two sound level variances, for 100 dBA as measured at 100 ft, to present amplified sound with use of a sound system for the Saint Paul Winter Carnival at Rice Park – 109 W 4th St. and at Landmark Plaza- 379 St Peter Street on January 28, 2022 through February 6, 2022. The variances are requested for the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on January 28, 29, 30, and February 4, 5 2022, hours of 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on January 31 and February 1,2,3 2022 and hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on February 6, 2022. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on January 28, 29, 30, and February 4, 5 2022, hours of 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on January 31 and February 1,2,3 2022 and hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on February 6, 2022 for the Saint Paul Winter Carnival at Rice Park and at Landmark Plaza Park. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 92 dBA as measured at 50 feet from all sound sources on January 28, 2022 to February 6, 2022. 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 10:00 p.m. on January 28, 2022 to February 5, 2022 and no later than 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 6, 2022.

Applicant has acknowledged that any social gathering associated with this variance must be managed in full compliance with all applicable Governor Walz and Mayor Carter COVID-19 Orders including but not limited to Orders relating to distancing, mask wearing and attendance limits

Public attendance at the City Council's regular meeting location is not feasible due to the COVID-19 health pandemic. Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> or on local cable Channel 18.

Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically. 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, Tuesday, January 11, 2022, and 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.

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

Date: Wednesday, January 12, 2022

Time: 3:30 p.m.

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

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