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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance for an Outdoor Event Oxford Community Center Football Field

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:

<u>Location:</u> Two Eid Prayer Services will be located outdoors at the Oxford Community Center Football Field, 270 Lexington Parkway North

Noise Source: Tawfiq Islamic Center has applied for a sound level variance in order to provide announcements and prayer for two occasions for Annual Eid Prayer Services at the Oxford Community Center Football Field, 270 Lexington Parkway North. The first occasion Eid Prayer Service is to be held on Monday, July 28th or Tuesday, July 29th, 2014, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The second occasion Eid Prayer Service is to be held on Sunday, October 5th or Monday, October 6th, 2014, also from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1) The variance shall be for the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for the first occasion Eid Prayer Service on Monday, July 28th, 2014 or Tuesday, July 29th, 2014, and for the second occasion Eid Prayer Service on Sunday, October 5th or Monday, October 6th, 2014. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 75 dBA as measured 50 feet from any sound source used for prayer and/or announcements. 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 10:30 a.m. on the date of the event.

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

Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2014

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 file 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. Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, July 22, 2014.