The Twin Cities Jazz Festival has been in Mears Park and Lowertown since 2003. We strive to provide a top-quality festival that is respectful of the sound levels.

At the 2014 Twin Cities Jazz Festival, City staff informed us that the approved sound level variance for event, which was the same since 2003, was not reflecting the actual volume of the event. The approved sound variance we had was 85db at 50 feet, but in reality the sound levels were closer to 92 db at 100 feet. (Please see attached a letter from Event Pro, our sound person).

Our intent is NOT to raise the volume of the festival. It will be exactly as it's been since 2003. We wish to apply for a variance that reflects the actual levels so we can keep this great event in Lowertown.

Thank you for your consideration.

