

## McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2015 1:19 PM  
**To:** 'Andrea Gilats'  
**Subject:** RE: Noise variance comment for podium sports half marathon on August 1 [TEAM ORTHO WOMEN ROCK EVENT August 29, 2015]  
**Attachments:** Team Ortho Women Rock.Notice to Prop Owners.docx

Hello Andrea Gilats,

Thank you for your comments about the Team Ortho Women Rock Event to be held on August 29, 2015. The Sound Level Variance applications are processed at the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), including Property Owner Notification (see attached). The comments that you provided regarding the Team Ortho Women Rock Event will be sent to Councilmember Dave Thune, Ward 2, as the Event takes place in the Ward 2 area. The City Council makes decisions about Sound Level Variances (SLV) at the Public Hearing, and the Public Hearing for this Event is August 5, 2015.

Thank you,

Barb



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**From:** Andrea Gilats [mailto:agilats@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2015 8:54 AM  
**To:** McMonigal-St Dennis, Barb (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Noise variance comment for podium sports half marathon on August 1

Dear Barb,

I just got another letter from the City about yet another request for a sound level variance for yet another race, this time from Team Ortho on August 29. (This letter was dated July 17, but the deadline for email comments is listed as July 14. Oops!)

Below is the message I wrote you on July 3 about the Podium Sports request for August 1. My comments remain the same. **They cannot do a sound check at 7 a.m. on a Saturday morning!** Please reread my comments below and please make sure my recommendations are implemented! This is a serious health issue for me!

If you could reply to this email to let me know that you'll act on this, I would be grateful.

Best Wishes,

Andrea Gilats  
Mississippi Flats resident homeowner

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Andrea Gilats** <[agilats@gmail.com](mailto:agilats@gmail.com)>

Date: Fri, Jul 3, 2015 at 9:30 AM

Subject: Noise variance comment for podium sports half marathon on August 1

To: [barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us)

Hello Barb,

I live in the Mississippi Flats building of the Upper Landing condo complex—that's the building right next to Upper Landing Park. I received a letter yesterday announcing a public hearing to consider a noise variance for the podium sports half-marathon on Saturday morning, August 1, 2015. I'll be out of town for the public hearing, so I

'm  
writing now to offer my comment.

It all sounds fine except for the sound check from 6:45 to 7:00 a.m. When they did this last year, they startled me (and most of my neighbors) out of a sound sleep. I almost had a heart attack! My heart was racing so fast that I became nauseous. I'll never forget that.

I could not believe the disrespect and rudeness of the event people! How could they do such an inconsiderate thing so early on a weekend morning right under the bedrooms of hundreds of Mississippi Flats residents? Were they not aware that hundreds of people live here now? I was so angry!

**The City needs to mandate that they have their sound check no earlier than 7:30 a.m.** Please keep in mind that all of us who own homes in this building are paying high property taxes for this location, and the City needs to respect that, too. Changing the sound check to 7:30 is not a big, complicated change from what the event organizers requested. It should not be difficult to make this change.

Thanks for making sure this change is made. It is absolutely necessary!

Sincerely,

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