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September 1, 2015

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance – Tawfiq Islamic Center 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> Eid-al-Adha Muslim Prayer Festival Service 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 with a PA and speaker for an Eid-al-Adha Muslim Prayer Festival Service at the Oxford Community Center Football Field, 270 Lexington Parkway North. The Eid-al Adha Muslim Prayer Festival Service is to be held on Thursday, September 24, 2015 or Friday, September 25, 2015, from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., with a pre-event sound check between 6:30 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1) The variance shall be for the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2015 or Friday, September 25, 2015. 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, September 16, 2015

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 within fifteen (15) days of the mailing date on this notice, written comments or objections may be filed 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, August 18, 2015.