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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Sound Level Variance - Little Mekong Night Market 2016**

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**

**Location:** 377 University Avenue West, Western Avenue between Aurora and Sherburne Avenues, 422 University Avenue

**Noise Source:** The Asian Economic Development Association has applied for a sound level variance, at a requested sound level limit of 90 decibels (dBA) at a distance of 50 feet from any stage or sound source, in order to present various activities such as amplified music, performances, and announcements, on three outdoor stages, located at 377 University Ave West, Western Avenue between Aurora and Sherburne Avenues and at 422 University Avenue West for the Little Mekong Night Market on Saturday, July 23, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. until Midnight and on Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1) The variance will be for the Little Mekong Night Market on three outdoor stages, as listed above, on Saturday, July 23, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to midnight and on Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from noon to 5:00 p.m. 2) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 80 dBA as measured 50 feet from any stage or sound source from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on July 23 and July 24, 2016; must not exceed 90 dBA as measured 50 feet from any stage or sound source from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24, 2016 and must not exceed 85 dBA as measured 50 feet from any sound source from 10:01 p.m. until midnight on Saturday, July 23, 2016. 3) The applicant will provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the sound level variance conditions. 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices must be turned off no later than midnight Saturday, July 23, 2016 and 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 24, 2016.

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

**Date:** Wednesday, July 6, 2016

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. City Council Meeting

**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, submit written comments or objections with the City of St. Paul, DSI, 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](mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us). Written comments or objections must be received on or before Tuesday, July 5, 2016.