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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sound Level Variance
2017 Commencement Ceremonies
University of St. Thomas

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: O'Shaughnessy Stadium at the University of St. Thomas, 2115 Summit Avenue

Noise Source: The University of St. Thomas, represented by William Carter III, Special Projects Manager, Public Safety, has requested a sound level variance to present outdoor music and announcements, with use of an auxiliary sound system rather than the stadium sound system, at no specified sound level limit, at the O'Shaughnessy Stadium at 2115 Summit Avenue. The request is for a 7:30 a.m. verification of an auxiliary sound system pre-check and event with music and announcements from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for undergraduate commencement and from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the graduate commencement on Saturday, May 20, 2017. The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) recommends the following conditions: 1. The variance shall be for the hours of a 7:30 a.m. verification of an auxiliary sound system pre-check, and event with music and announcements from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for undergraduate commencement and from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the graduate commencement on May 20, 2017. 2. All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 90 dBA as measured at 50 feet from the sound source. 3. The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment to monitor sound level limits as specified in Condition #2. 4. All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 9:00 p.m. on the event date.

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

Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2017
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 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, May 2, 2017.