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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Sound Level Variance - Park Construction Company Ramsey County Mill and Overlay Project, Ford Parkway Area

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:** Ford Pkwy, Mississippi River Blvd to Howell St; Cleveland Ave from St Paul Ave to Ford Pkwy Noise Source: Park Construction, as part of a Ramsey County Mill and Overlay Construction Project, has applied for a sound level variance, for operating general construction/demolition equipment and other repair and installation equipment for a mill and overlay construction project. Rehabilitation and removal of deteriorated roadway and construction and installation is required. Work is to take place, weather dependent, for an approximate two-week period, from October 16, 2017 until October 30, 2017, from 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. for activities such as asphalt removal, milling and asphalt rollers and paving, skid steer use, back up equipment beeper use, quad-axel dump trucks and street sweepers, and hand power tools, without conducting jackhammering at night. The project proposes to allow elevated sound levels during overnight hours, from 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. on Ford Pkwy, Mississippi River Blvd to Howell St, and Cleveland Ave from St Paul Ave to Ford Pkwy. The Department of Safety and Inspections is recommending that the variance would include project night time work, with elevated sound levels not to exceed 70 decibels (dBA) at 50 feet from 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., from October 16, 2017 until October 30, 2017; and, that the occupants of property located within 400 feet of the work location be notified in writing by Park Construction a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the work. DSI also recommends that Park Construction provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the variance conditions. Contractors working on the project to use best practicable methods for controlling noise such as noise blankets, shields or portable sound barriers. Construction activities should be scheduled to minimize noise as much as possible in the late night and early morning hours.

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

Date: Wednesday, October 4, 2017

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, submit 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 <a href="mailto:barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us">barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us</a>. Written comments or objections <a href="mailto:must be received on or before Tuesday">must be received on or before Tuesday</a>, October 3, 2017.