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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Sound Level Variance
2018 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, has requested a sound level variance to present outdoor music and announcements, with use of an auxiliary sound system, at no specified sound level limit, at O'Shaughnessy Stadium. The request is for a pre-event sound check on Friday, May 18, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 7:30 a.m. for another sound system pre-check. The ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for undergraduate commencements and from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the graduate commencements. The Department of Safety and Inspections recommends the following conditions: 1. The variance shall be for Friday, May 18, 2018 from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. for a pre-event sound check, and on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 7:30 a.m. for another pre-event sound check. The ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for undergraduate commencements and from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the graduate commencements. 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. 4. All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 9:00 p.m. on the day of the event.

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

Date: Wednesday, May 2, 2018
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 1, 2018.