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August 25, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sound Level Variance

University of St. Thomas, Erin Whipkey, Campus Life – Homecoming and Family Weekend Concert

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. <u>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.</u>

Description of Variance:

Location: 2115 Summit Avenue - University of Saint Thomas, Lower Quad

Noise Source: Erin Whipkey, Assistant Director of Campus Life, has requested a sound level variance, at no requested sound level limit or specified distance from the sound source, to present amplified sound with use of a sound system for the Homecoming and Family Weekend Concert on October 9, 2021 at 2115 Summit Avenue - University of Saint Thomas, Lower Quad. The variance is requested for the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a pre-event sound check at 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 9, 2021, with a pre-event sound check at 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for the Homecoming and Family Weekend Concert. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 92 dBA at 50 feet from any sound source on October 9, 2021. 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 9:00 p.m. on October 9, 2021.

Applicant has acknowledged that any social gathering associated with this variance must be managed in full compliance with all applicable Governor Walz and Mayor Carter COVID-19 Orders including but not limited to Orders relating to distancing, mask wearing and attendance limits

Public attendance at the City Council's regular meeting location is not feasible due to the COVID-19 health pandemic. Members of the public may view City Council meetings online at <u>https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</u> or on local cable Channel 18.

Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically. The public may comment on public hearing items in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, September 14, 2021, and will be attached to the public record and available for review by the City Council. Comments may be submitted as follows: Written public comment on public hearing items can be submitted to <u>Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u>, <u>CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u>, or by voicemail at 651-266-6805.

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

Date: Wednesday, September 15, 2021

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means. After the public hearing, the Council may grant, deny, or modify the variance request.

If you have questions about the sound level variance, please contact: Barb McMonigal-St.Dennis, Environmental Health Specialist, 651-266-9137, <u>barb.mcmonigal-st.dennis@ci.stpaul.mn.us</u>