

Legislation Text

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Approving the application of an ALS Association, Minnesota-North Dakota-South Dakota Chapter for a sound level variance in order to present outdoor music and amplified announcements at a Walk to Defeat ALS Event on Saturday, September 20, 2014 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Lake Phalen Park.

WHEREAS, Chapter 293 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code was enacted to regulate the subject of noise in the City of Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, §293.09 provides for the granting of variances from the sound level limitations contained in §293.07, upon a finding by the City Council that full compliance with Chapter 293 would constitute an unreasonable hardship on the applicant, other persons or on the community; and

WHEREAS, the ALS Association Minnesota North Dakota South Dakota Chapter, Walk to Defeat ALS Event, represented by Jessica Jesswein, Special Events Coordinator, who has been designated as the responsible person on the application, has applied for a variance to present outdoor music and microphone speaking at the Lake Phalen Park during a Walk to Defeat ALS Event; and

WHEREAS, applicant is seeking a variance for the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 20, 2014; and

WHEREAS, if applicant is not granted a variance it will not be able to present outdoor music and microphone speaking at the Lake Phalen Park; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Safety and Inspections has reviewed the application and has made recommendations regarding conditions for the variance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Saint Paul hereby grants a variance to the ALS Association Minnesota North Dakota South Dakota Chapter, subject to the following conditions:

1) The variance shall be for the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 20, 2014.

2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 85 dBA, as measured at 50 feet from the noise source.

3) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment who shall provide continuous sound level monitoring at all stages and each sound mix during the hours of the variance.

4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 12:00 p.m. on September 20, 2014.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any violations of the conditions set forth above on the September 20, 2014 event date may result in denial of future requests for the grant of a noise variance, in addition to any criminal citation which might issue.

The ALS Association Minnesota North Dakota South Dakota Association, Walk to Defeat ALS Event,

represented by Jessica Jesswein, has requested an exemption from the sound level limitations in Chapter 293.07 in order to present outdoor music and microphone speaking, with limitations, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Lake Phalen Park during a charitable Walk to Defeat ALS Event. Chapter 293.09 provides for the granting of variances from the sound level limitations contained in Chapter 293.07.

Was proper notice given? YES - See Attachments