



Legislation Text

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Approving the application of Twin Cities in Motion for a sound level variance in order to present outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones on Saturday, October 3, 2015 and Sunday, October 4, 2015 during the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon Event 2015 at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard of the State Capitol Complex.

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, Twin Cities in Motion, represented by Ed Whetham, Race Operations Manager, who has been designated as the responsible person on the application, has applied for a variance to present outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones at a requested sound level of 55 dBA to 65 dBA at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, of the State Capitol Complex; and

WHEREAS, applicant is seeking a variance for the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:15 a.m. until 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2015, and from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:45 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. on Sunday October 4, 2015 for outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, of the State Capitol Complex during the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon 2015 Event; and

WHEREAS, if applicant is not granted a variance it will not be able to present outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, State Capitol Complex; 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 Twin Cities in Motion, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The variance will be for the Twin Cities in Motion, Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon 2015 at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, State Capitol Complex for the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:15 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2015 and from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:45 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 4, 2015 for outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones.
- 2) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices used in conjunction with the event must not exceed 85 dBA as measured 50 feet from sound source.
- 3) The applicant will provide personnel and equipment to ensure compliance with the sound level variance conditions.
- 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices must be turned off no

later than 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2015 and no later than 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 4, 2015, the dates of the event.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any violations of the conditions set forth above, may result in denial of any future variances, in addition to any criminal citation which may be issued.

Twin Cities in Motion, represented by Ed Whetham, Race Operations Manager, has requested an exemption from the sound level limitations in Chapter 293.07 in order to present outdoor announcements, speakers and use of microphones, from 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:15 a.m. until 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2015 and from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check from 6:45 a.m. until 7:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 4, 2015 during the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon 2015 Event at 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, State Capitol Complex. Chapter 293.09 provides for the granting of variances from the sound level limitation contained in Chapter 293.07.

Was proper notice given? YES - See Attachments