



## Legislation Text

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Approving the application of Minnesota United FC & Allianz Field for three sound level variances for amplified music at 400 Snelling Avenue North during MN United FC MLS games on April 4, April 11 and April 18, 2020. (Public hearing held March 18) (To be withdrawn)

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, MN United FC & Allianz Field, represented by Zacharia Litzelswope, Director of Events and Guest Experiences, has applied for three variances, at a requested sound level limit of 95 decibels (dBA) at 50 feet from the sound source, to present amplified music within the Street and/or Beer Garden area at 400 Snelling Avenue N; and

WHEREAS, applicant is seeking a variance for the hours of 4:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 4, Saturday April 11 and Saturday April 18, 2020 for the MN United FC MLS Games at 400 Snelling Avenue N; and

WHEREAS, if applicant is not granted a variance applicant will not be able to present amplified music within the Street and/or Beer Garden area at 400 Snelling Avenue N; 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 these variances to MN United FC & Allianz Field, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The Variances shall be for the hours of 4:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 4, Saturday April 11 and Saturday April 18, 2020.
- 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 90 dBA at 50 feet from the sound source.
- 3) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment to for continuous sound level monitoring to ensure compliance with the sound level limit stated in condition number two (2).
- 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 11:30 p.m. on the dates of the events.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any violations of the conditions set forth above on the first date may result in revocation of the grant of a variance for the subsequent date, in addition to any criminal citation which might issue.

MN United FC & Allianz Field has requested an exemption from the sound level limitations in Chapter 293.07 in order to present amplified music within the street and/or Beer Garden area, from 4:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 4, Saturday April 11 and Saturday April 18, 2020 for the MN United FC and Allianz Field at 400 Snelling Ave N. 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