

Legislation Text

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Approving the application of Allianz Field for a sound level variance in order to present live amplified sound for the Great Lawn Concert at Allianz Field on June 14, 2022 by Allianz Field - 400 Snelling Avenue North.

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, Allianz Field, represented by Zacharia Litzelswope, Director, Events and Guest Experience, who has been designated as the responsible person on the application, has applied for a variance, for a requested sound level limit of 95 dBA at no specified distance, to present amplified sound outside of 400 Snelling Avenue North - Allianz Field; and

WHEREAS, applicant has requested a variance for the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 for a Great Lawn Concert on Spruce Street Drive facing South towards the Stadium outside of Allianz Field; and

WHEREAS, if applicant is not granted a variance applicant will not be able to present amplified sound on Spruce Street Drive and the Great Lawn area outside of 400 Snelling Avenue North - Allianz Field; 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 Allianz Field, subject to the following conditions:

1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with a pre-event sound check at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2022.

2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 95 dBA as measured at 50 feet from all sound sources.

3) The applicant shall provide personnel and equipment who shall provide continuous sound level monitoring at 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 10:00 p.m. June 14, 2022, the event date.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any violations of the conditions set forth above on the June 14, 2022 date may result in denial of future requests for the grant of a noise variance, in addition to any criminal citation which might issue.

Allianz Field, represented by Zacharia Litzelswope, Director, Events and Guest Experience has requested an exemption from the sound level limitations in Chapter 293.07 in order to present amplified sound, with limitations, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June14, 2022. 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