

June 3, 2025

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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Sound Level Variance

## Asian Economic Development Association – Little Mekong Night Market

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. 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.

## **Description of Variance:**

Location: 353 University Avenue, 394 University Avenue and on the corner of Western Ave N and Sherburne Avenue Noise Source: Evie Mouacheupao, Asian Economic Development Association (AEDA), Arts & Culture Manager, has requested a sound level variance, for 90 dBA at no specific distance, to present amplified sound with use of a sound system for the Little Mekong Night Market, on June 28, 2025, and June 29, 2025 at 353 University Avenue, 394 University Avenue and on the corner of Western Ave N and Sherburne Avenue. The variance is requested for the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on June 28, 2025, and 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on June 29, 2025 with pre-event sound checks at 1:00 p.m. on June 28, and at 11:00 a.m. on June 29, 2025. The Department of Safety and Inspections will be recommending the following conditions: 1) The Variance shall be for the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 28, 2025, and 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 29, 2025 with a pre-event sound check for up to a specific one hour period between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on June 28, and at 11:00 a.m. on June 29, 2025 for the Little Mekong Night Market. 2) All electronically powered equipment used in conjunction with the event shall not exceed 90 dBA at 50 feet from any sound source on June 28, and June 29, 2025. 3) The applicant shall monitor the decibel level from the variance approved distance of each noise source and create a report that records the general operating decibel levels within 15 minutes of the start of each performing act and at intervals no greater than 60 minutes apart thereafter. The report shall be made available for viewing by city staff, upon request during the variance or within 30 days thereafter. Applicant shall also conduct a decibel reading during the variance upon request of city staff. 4) All electronically powered equipment, PA systems, loudspeakers or similar devices shall be turned off no later than 9:00 p.m. on June 28, 2025, and June 29, 2025.

Submit comments for Public Hearing electronically. The public may comment on public hearing items in person, in writing or via voicemail. Any comments and materials submitted by 12:00 pm of the day before the meeting, Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 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 Contact-Council@ci.stpaul.mn.us, CouncilHearing@ci.stpaul.mn.us, or by voicemail at 651-266-6805. Live testimony will be taken in person in the Council Chambers, and by telephone by registering to speak by noon on the day before the meeting. The registration link is located on the City Council website at <a href="https://council.gov/council">www.stpaul.gov/council</a> or <a href="https://council.gov/

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

Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2025 Time: 3:30 p.m. Location: 3rd floor, City Hall Council Chambers 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>