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Subject: Public Comment: David Cook
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Public Comment: David Cook

Date: 08/20/26, 10:12 AM

Noise regulations ordinances (2026-00809)

I support the changes regarding alarms triggered by motion sensors. These have been a nuisance to me when walking around my neighborhood. I don't want our livability to be impacted by whatever the default settings of these devices happens to be.

Ward: Ward 10

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From: [Grant Johnson via Smartsheet](#)
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Subject: Public Comment: Matt Lewis
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Public Comment: Matt Lewis

Date: 08/20/26, 10:00 AM

Noise regulations ordinances (2026-00809)

I am writing in support of this ordinance, specifically the section regarding motion-sensor cameras that play recorded messages. These devices cause noise pollution and make neighborhoods seem hostile and unwelcoming. They're a jarring intrusion into the fabric of urban life that is particularly disruptive to neighbors who have no way to get away from the constant noise. It's bad enough that people feel the need to turn their yard into an arm of the surveillance state, they don't need to also announce to the world that they're doing it.

There is one of these devices less than a block from my home, and I walk by it many times a week. I have grown to truly despise hearing the recorded voice when I am just trying to walk to the grocery store. Please pass this ordinance and outlaw these devices.

Thank you

Ward: Ward 10

Public Health, Safety & Equity (PHSE)

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From: [Grant Johnson via Smartsheet](#)
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Subject: Public Comment: Rebecca MacDonald
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Public Comment: Rebecca MacDonald

Date: 08/21/26, 8:53 AM

2026-00809

I am writing in support of Council Member Chavez's noise regulation ordinance, file number 2026-00809. My family and I walk and take public transportation a majority of the time when we are going to work, restaurants, parks and visiting friends. More and more, we have noticed Ring and ring-style cameras announcing "you are being recorded" while we are on the public sidewalk. We are walking on public property and it feels like we are being disciplined by neighbors who monitor everyone who walks near their home. It is difficult to explain to a young child, without sounding alarmist, why our neighbors are recording us as we walk to the library or bakery, or to catch a bus or a train. Kids who are walking to school, commuters who are walking to catch a bus or the light rail and neighbors who are just out enjoying Minneapolis should not be treated with suspicion and have to listen to other neighbors announce via their security system that they are being watched and recorded. Pedestrians deserve to be treated with respect, not suspicion. A safe city is a city full of people walking around, connecting with neighbors and keeping eyes on all parts of the city. Security systems that record and alarm everyone who walks past do not encourage community or neighborliness. They foster a sense of paranoia and suspicion and at the very least, they should be banned from ruining a nice walk with a loud alarm blaring at passersby.

Ward: Ward 12

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