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Sound Level Variance Application

Legislative Code Chapter 293. - Noise Regulations

Application and \$175 fee payment should be submitted a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled event start date. A public notification period is required prior to scheduling the application's Public Hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. Applications received fewer than sixty (60) days prior to the event may not satisfy the ordinance's processing timelines for placement on the Council's agenda.

1. Organization/person seeking variance: University of St. Thomas - Campus Life, Erin Whipkey
2. Event Name: Tommie Fest
3. Address and physical description of noise source location (Event, Worksite):
John P. Monahan Plaza, University of St. Thomas, 2115 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105
4. Responsible person: Erin Whipkey Title: Assistant Director of Campus Life
5. Telephone: 651-962-6134 E-Mail: whipkey@stthomas.edu
6. Date(s) variance requested: 5/15/2026
7. Noise source - Time(s) of operation: Event is from 5:00pm-8:30pm but we'd like to request until 9:00pm in case of weather delay
- Time(s) of pre-event sound check: On and off from 11:00am-5:00pm
8. Sound level requested (dBA/Decibels): 95 Decibels at 50 ft
9. Mailing address w/zip code: 2115 Summit Avenue, ASC 325, St. Paul, MN 55105
10. Briefly describe the noise source and equipment involved: The sound will be amplified from speakers provided by an external production company. We will have musicians singing and playing amplified instruments from the stage.
11. Describe the steps that will be taken to minimize the noise levels:
We will have staff at the event and we will work with professional sound technicians to monitor the noise levels.
12. State reason for seeking variance (example - music, announcements, construction, etc.):
Outdoor event to celebrate the end of the academic year
13. A site diagram & map must be attached showing location of noise source(s), streets, stages, tents, etc. (If there will be amplified sound, indicate location and direction that all speakers will be facing).

Multiple locations may require more than one application.

14. Submit completed application, site diagram/map, and \$175.00 fee to:

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DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 JACKSON STREET, SUITE 220
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Signature of responsible person:

Date: 1/14/2026

