



Legislation Text

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Consider an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Sections 14-209 and 14-210, and by adding section 14-213.2, Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition), regarding noise. (Second Reading)

Based on extensive research and citizen input, it has been identified that enhanced rules relating to the generation of amplified sound by “outdoor music venues” in the MU-1 zoning district downtown should be considered.

The proposed regulations contain “Permitted Hours” and “Non-Permitted Hours”.

Permitted Hours are between 10 am - 10 pm on Sunday - Thursday and from 10 am to midnight on Friday and Saturday. During these times outdoor music venues may operate sound equipment at a level of 80 decibels or less measured at the property line of the business.

During Non-Permitted Hours, permit holders shall not operate sound equipment in excess of 60 decibels as measured at the property line of the business.

Businesses will be required to obtain a permit annually from the City to operate as an outdoor music venue, which is essentially any business amplifying sound not fully enclosed by walls and a roof, or sound that is regularly projected out a doorway. The Chief of Police shall revoke a permit if the permit holder has been found guilty of violating any provisions of the proposed ordinance three times in a 12-month period. The period of revocation shall be one year.