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## Audio Permit Instructions

### About:

An audio permit is required for anyone operating outdoor amplified sound (i.e a loudspeaker, public address system, or sound amplifying equipment). The sound system cannot be operated before 7:00 am or after 10:00 pm.

### Audio Permit Responsibilities:

- An onsite event coordinator must be available by mobile during the event.
- An applicant will provide a schedule of any music or entertainment proposed to occur during the event.
- A beginning and end time must be supplied on the application (a portion of the Park Permit application) and the event coordinator must ensure compliance.
- Applicants must comply with City Code Ordinance 90.045 and Minnesota Rules Chapter 7030 which limits noise.
- Noise levels cannot exceed 60 dBA more than 50 percent of the time.
- Speakers should not be placed under a shelter.
- Speakers should be positioned in the direction indicated on the map attached to the instruction sheet for audio permits.
- Applicants are instructed to not position speakers facing the hillside or bluff.

### What happens if there is a noise complaint?

- A North Mankato Patrol Officer will meet with the complainant and evaluate and measure the noise using a decibel reader at the location of the complainant.
- If the noise is found out of compliance the Patrol Officer will contact the onsite event coordinator and the amplified sound must be turned down.
- If the onsite event coordinator does not comply, the event will be immediately terminated and the group will be disbursed.
- Failure to comply will affect future ability to obtain an audio permit.

### Spring Lake Park

- Please review the provided map indicating appropriate speaker direction.