

**Addenda
Minnetonka City Council Meeting
Meeting of January 24, 2022**

ITEM 14B – Noise regulation ordinance

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TO: City Council
FROM: Julie Wischnack, AICP, Community Development Director
DATE: Jan. 24, 2022
SUBJECT: Change Memo for Jan. 24, 2022, City Council Meeting

Item 14B – Noise Regulation Ordinance

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From: [Fiona Golden](#)
To: [Fiona Golden](#)
Subject: FW: Bird Expeller email
Date: Monday, January 24, 2022 11:18:44 AM

From: Amy Morsman
Sent: Wednesday, January 5, 2022 10:59 PM
To: Bradley Schaeppi
Subject: Bird Expeller

Dear Councilmember Schaeppi,

I'm writing in regard to the noise ordinance discussion on the council's agenda. The noise emitted by the Bird X Peller device is ridiculous and should not be legal to have playing constantly in our neighborhoods and parks. I cannot imagine being a neighbor listening to this device all day, and it can't be good for wildlife either.

I hope that the council will come up with a way to outlaw the use of a device like this in our city. If woodpeckers are pecking your house, you likely have bugs in the wood which you should take care of instead! Or, move to a city with fewer trees and wildlife rather than trying to drive birds away.

Sincerely,

Amy Morsman
3305 Hazelwood West
Minnetonka

From: [Fiona Golden](#)
To: [Fiona Golden](#)
Subject: Noise Ordinance comment
Date: Monday, January 24, 2022 3:12:05 PM

City council and EDA email comments

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I support the proposed change to the city noise ordinance.

Thank you,

City of Minnetonka, MN

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From: [Fiona Golden](#)
To: [Fiona Golden](#)
Subject: Noise Ordinance Changes
Date: Monday, January 24, 2022 3:46:45 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: Linda Bonine
Sent: Friday, January 14, 2022 4:17 PM
To: Julie Wischnack <jwischnack@minnetonkamn.gov>
Subject: Noise Ordinance Changes

Dear Director Wischnack and Council Member,

I am writing this letter regarding the noise situation in my neighborhood. I have read over the changes you are recommending and I have one big concern. It reads: "when the sound is plainly audible within five feet of the property line from which the device is located ...". "Five feet" is still going to be blasting that noise into the dining room of the house directly behind the Kantar's. Does the ordinance mean five feet within their property or 5 feet outside of their property line? The houses surrounding this property would still be able to hear it. This electronic device needs to be totally prohibited within a city residential area. If you give this couple a small window to skirt around, they will take it with glee. They can also adjust the sound and the city would not be able to monitor their abuse on a daily/hourly basis.

Finally, I want to talk about RESPECT!!!! This is a very pleasant and peaceful little neighborhood. I moved here 47 years ago as a newlywed. Many of my neighbors then are still here now ... the Nagels (Scott was once my paperboy), the Erpelding's, the Baran's, the Acomb's (Patti Wright Acomb grew up here), the Sylce's, and the Hedlund's. There are long histories of friendships, gatherings, and being there for one another. Children that played together are still here as adults. This situation has been long talked about, but never addressed before now. People don't want to create waves and by saying nothing this was allowed to go on far too long. In order to be a respected member of your own neighborhood community, you need to be respectful. When several brave neighbors did approach the Kantars, asking them to please turn the device off, they were met with great opposition. The Kantars want to be friendly and chatty at times, but then have an in your face attitude in regards to this annoying noise that blasts every 90 seconds from dawn to dusk. What they are doing is not respectful and we need it to be stopped once and for all.

I am looking forward to attending the meeting on January 24th. I am most hopeful that you will change some of the wording on the new ordinance that will leave the Kantars no other choice than to remove the electronic device from their house. We need to live peacefully and respectfully with one another and move past this negative saga.

Sincerely,
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