



City of Martinez

525 Henrietta Street, Martinez, CA 94553

August 9, 2012

Heidi Perryman, Ph.D.
Jon Ridler
1205 Castro St
Martinez CA 94553

RE: Alhambra Multi-Decade Reunion

Dear Ms. Perryman and Mr. Ridler,

We have received your letter dated August 5, 2012, regarding your concerns about the Alhambra Multi-Decade Reunion and its impact on the neighborhood surrounding Ignacio Plaza. As a condition of the approval for the use of the plaza the City directed the applicant to contact the residents of the neighborhood and to work with the residents to address any concerns they have, including, but not limited to parking, noise, security etc. If you have not been contacted by the applicant we would be happy to put you in touch with them. We expect all users of Ignacio Plaza to be respectful of the people living in the neighborhood.

Per your request your letter will be included as part of the public record at the next PRMCC meeting on August 21, 2012. Also attached is City Ordinance 8.34.010 relating to amplified sound.

We hope that the Alhambra Multi-Decade Reunion will be a great success with minimal impact on you and your neighbors. Please contact us if you have any further questions or comments, or would like to be put in touch with the applicant.

Very truly yours,

Dylan Radke
Chair Martinez, Park, Recreation, Marina, and Cultural Commission

Enclosure

8.34.010 - Purpose.

It is the intent of the City, in the exercise of its police power, to control, and in some instances, prohibit, noise and vibration, in order to protect properties and the general health, safety and welfare of persons from unnecessary, excessive and annoying noise disturbances. At certain levels, noises are detrimental to the health and welfare of the citizenry and, in the public interest, shall be prohibited or systematically proscribed.

It is the purpose of this chapter to implement the goals of the Noise Element of the General Plan by prescribing standards prohibiting detrimental levels of noise and by providing an effective and readily available remedy for violations. The provisions of this Chapter and the remedies contained herein shall be cumulative and are not intended to replace any otherwise available remedies for public, private, or mixed nuisances, nor any other civil or criminal remedies otherwise available.

In addition, the regulations contained herein are not intended to substitute for any noise analysis conducted as a part of the City's environmental review process for discretionary permit approvals, nor intended to limit more strict noise control requirements for discretionary permit approvals, should more strict measures be found to be necessary, in order to maintain noise levels that are not detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens.

(Ord. 1288 C.S. § 1 (part), 2001.)

8.34.020 - Noise Standards.

A.

Acceptable standards for noise levels shall be as follows:

1.

A day-night noise level (Ldn) of 45 dB is the standard for interior noise levels. An Ldn of 45 dBA is achieved by an allowable interior noise level of 35 dBA between 10 p.m. — 7 a.m. and 45 dBA between 7 a.m. — 10 p.m.

2.

A day-night level (Ldn) of 60 dB is the standard for exterior noise. An Ldn of 60 dBA is a maximum noise level of 50 dBA between 10 p.m. — 7 a.m. and 60 dBA between 7 a.m. — 10 p.m.

(Ord. 1288 C.S. § 1 (part), 2001.)