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**Subject: Resident-Suggested Changes to Proposed Noise Ordinance**

I recently invited you to participate in the review of the proposed amendments to the City's noise ordinance and to provide comments and any recommended textual changes during the second round of the public input process. City staff has analyzed the comments and suggestions received and reviewed them with Council member Tower and me. We have prepared a new version of the proposed amendments that incorporates some of the requested changes and, in response to comments regarding confusion on who would be fined, revised that section to provide clarity.

This new version will once again be available on Speak Up Virginia Beach for residents to review and provide their comments. Additionally, there will be two public listening sessions. City Attorney Mark Stiles will provide a presentation regarding the comments and requested changes received and there will be an opportunity for residents to provide comment on the reconciled proposed amendments to Council member Tower and me. Those meetings will take place:

**Wednesday, November 16, 2022**

Princess Anne High School Auditorium  
4400 Virginia Beach Blvd

First meeting: 3:30-5:00 pm

Second Meeting: 6:30-8:00 pm

Enclosed is a red-lined copy of the reconciled document as well as a spreadsheet. The spreadsheet contains most of the recommended changes as well as specific concerns and/or questions that were received from the second round of public input. The designation of "policy decision" means that a decision on change/no change from provisions of the current City Code is a City Council determination.

The online survey can be accessed here <https://publicinput.com/noiseordinance>. If you do not have access to a computer or are otherwise unable to provide your comments online, please feel

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free to contact Nancy Bloom at [nbloom@ybgov.com](mailto:nbloom@ybgov.com) or (757) 385-6279 and she will receive and document your comments.

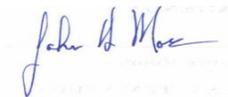
The online survey will remain open until 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, November 13. Comments will be provided to Council Member Tower and me for review prior to the public meetings.

For reference, the current noise ordinance can be found at [www.Municode.com](http://www.Municode.com) (Select *Code Library*, then *Virginia*, then *Virginia Beach*; the relevant section is Chapter 23, Article II (Section 23-63 through Section 23-73 of the City Code (not the City Charter)).

This item appeared on the City Council agenda for October 18; City Council voted to defer the matter to December 6, 2022. It will appear on City Council's agenda that day and you will have an additional opportunity to speak to the entire City Council prior to the vote on the item.

If you have any questions concerning this issue, please contact Ms. Bloom at (757) 385-6279.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John D. Moss". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

John D. Moss

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