



**CITY OF BOULDER
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

MEETING DATE: September 1, 2022

AGENDA TITLE

Second reading and consideration of a motion to adopt by emergency measure Ordinance 8531 amending Sections 5-9-6, "Unreasonable Noise Prohibited Between the Hours of 11 P.M. Through 7 A.M.," and 5-3-11, "Nuisance Party Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981, to prohibit unreasonable amplified noise during the daytime as well as nighttime hours; and setting forth related details

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to amend the city's nighttime unreasonable amplified noise regulations to include daytime hours for residential areas. Proposed Ordinance 8531 (**Attachment A**) is one of several efforts underway to reduce the level of nuisance

behaviors and improve the quality of life in neighborhoods, particularly as it relates to the University Hill neighborhood (the “Hill”). For information on the bigger city work plan please see the June 7, 2022, Information Packet Memorandum titled, “Update on University Hill Quality of Life Improvement and Citywide Nuisance Initiatives.” <https://boulder.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/CoverSheet.aspx?ItemID=4668&MeetingID=716>

Proposed Ordinance 8531 seeks to prohibit unreasonable amplified noise from 7am – 11pm that can be heard from 200 or more feet away (approximately one city block) in a residential neighborhood. An average city block is between 250 and 300 feet. It also adds daytime unreasonable amplified noise to the list of violations that can form the basis for the violation of Nuisance Party. If the social gathering is deemed to be a Nuisance Party violation by a police officer, participants shall cease the social gathering and disperse immediately upon the order of a police officer. Refusal to obey and abide by such order is also a violation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Suggested Motion Language:

Staff requests council consideration of this matter and action in the form of the following motion:

Motion to adopt by emergency measure Ordinance 8531 amending Sections 5-9-6, “Unreasonable Noise Prohibited Between the Hours of 11 P.M. Through 7 A.M.,” and 5-3-11, “Nuisance Party Prohibited,” B.R.C. 1981, to prohibit unreasonable amplified noise during the daytime as well as nighttime hours; and setting forth related details.

COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENTS AND IMPACTS

- **Economic** – None.
- **Environmental** – Limitations of noise will assist in the reduction of overall noise pollution that stems from electronically amplified sound in the city.
- **Social** – Residential neighborhoods are intended to be spaces for residents to enjoy at home. Loud electronically amplified noise during the day has negatively affected residents on the Hill, among other neighborhoods, for many years. Limitations of unreasonable electronically amplified sound will have a positive social impact.

OTHER IMPACTS

- **Fiscal** – All work for drafting will be performed within existing department budgets. The final ordinance may require additional funding to implement and enforce.

- **Staff time** – Enforcement of Proposed Ordinance 8531 will require additional police staff time and additional time for analysis of data from the IT Department.

BOARD AND COMMISSION FEEDBACK

None.

PUBLIC FEEDBACK

In addition to the robust engagement of the stakeholders on the Hill Revitalization Working Group (the “HRWG”), which includes student residents of the Hill neighborhood, staff had conversations with members of the Goss-Grove Neighborhood Association, and the Community Connectors in Residence (“Connectors”). Staff also activated a page on [Be Heard Boulder](#) to gather feedback from the general public.

Goss-Grove neighbors were for the most part in favor of the change, seeing a benefit to their neighborhood. Some residents who participated on the Be Heard Boulder page had concerns about the ability to enjoy daytime opportunities to play live music with friends.

University Hill Neighborhood Association’s Executive Committee endorsed the changes. Feedback responses from University Hill residents on Be Heard Boulder were overwhelmingly in support of the change, seeing the new ordinance as a useful tool to improve quality of life in their neighborhood. Some Hill responders shared concerns about compromising the spirit of Boulder as a college town, and negatively impacting quality of life through restrictions of enjoyment of amplified music.

Community Connectors is a group of individuals that elevate underrepresented voices and build trust between community members and city government. As community members, they partner with the city to co-design engagement opportunities, share resources and avenues to participate in city decision-making, and surface arising issues or community concerns. The city reached out to Community Connectors for its feedback on the proposed ordinance. The group raised concerns about the potential for increased calls for police service based on bias that could result from the changes. For example, informal cultural gatherings hosted during the daytime could lead to calls for police intervention. The Connectors were concerned that more options for violations could lead to an increase in “us against them” mentality between students and longtime residents on the Hill, as well as between neighbors elsewhere. The Connectors have already experienced an over-use of complaints about noise in neighborhoods where even benign and supportive police presence can be stressful for community members. The Connectors encouraged consideration of a pilot test of the ordinance only on the Hill to understand its effectiveness before applying the changes to the whole city. If the ordinance is adopted, the city intends to track the number of citations under the new law by demographic data to identify and address any disparity.

As of August 15, there have been 857 total visits to the Be Heard Boulder page; 204 of those visitors were intrigued enough to click on something offered on the page and 122

participated in the feedback form. Out of the 122 feedback participants, there are 73 participants who see no negative impacts from this ordinance and expressed support; 31 participants have some hesitancy or concern, including some respondents who live on the Hill. Many also identified bigger issues with noise ranging from mufflers and vehicle noises to airplanes and leaf blowers. The majority of responders live in the University Hill neighborhood and 23 other neighborhoods are also represented, including areas such as Gunbarrel, Martin Acres, Melody Catalpa, and Goss-Grove. Concerns include over-reach, creating unnecessary laws that could lead to harassment, and limiting people's ability to enjoy themselves and gather with music. On the flip side, supporters cited that the ordinance would ensure peaceful enjoyment of their home, allow for sleep before 11pm, a more peaceful and welcoming environment to everyone, provide a standard and expectation of neighbors, and perhaps improve relations between neighbors and students.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

In early March 2021, Boulder Police Code Enforcement and Boulder Police Department officers responded to a disturbance on the Hill, which included several parties, amid the public health emergency order that was then in place. The officers were met with growing crowds and an escalating situation. Boulder SWAT and eventually countywide SWAT were activated to respond to the escalating situation. Attendees surrounded armored rescue vehicles and began pelting officers with rocks and glass bottles. Once the disturbance reached between 500-800 attendees, officers pulled out of the area and observed the ongoing situation. Those in attendance caused property damage in addition to attacks on police officers.

After this disturbance, long-term Hill residents sent an open letter proposing potential changes to address the ongoing issues on the Hill. Through a "Nod of Five" on March 16, 2021, City Council directed city staff to begin researching ideas that could prevent such a disturbance from happening again and to address the ongoing quality of life issues present on the Hill.

City staff, with the help of a consultant, began to coordinate with an already active HRWG to discuss ongoing changes to the Hill and how to restore balance between the long-term residents of the Hill and the student population. The HRWG consists of members representing city staff (Neighborhood Services, Boulder Police Department, City Attorney's Office, Municipal Court, and Planning and Development Services), University of Colorado staff (Student Affairs, Office of Off-Campus Housing and Neighborhood Relations, Sorority and Fraternity Life, Restorative Justice, Community and Local Government Affairs); the Boulder Area Rental Housing Association; University Hill Neighborhood Association and student leaders. The HRWG and subcommittees meet at least monthly to identify systemic gaps in addressing quality of life issues and brainstorm collaborative solutions. Additionally, an internal group made up of city and university staff convenes regularly to work on the project.

The primary nuisance behaviors in the University Hill Neighborhood have been identified through multiple surveys, observations, data systems, and reports. Unreasonable noise was one of the top issues. The proposed ordinance updates one of the noise regulations to address disruptive behavior on the Hill and elsewhere. This suggestion came from the open letter authored by Hill residents after the March 2021 disturbance. Proposed Ordinance 8531 seeks to expand the prohibition of unreasonable amplified noise in residential areas from nighttime to include daytime as well. It prohibits unreasonable amplified noise from 7am – 11pm that can be heard from 200 feet away from the property line where the noise is coming from (approximately one city block) in a residential neighborhood. The current noise prohibition is limited to nighttime (11pm – 7am) and prohibits unreasonable amplified noise from 100 feet away. The daytime noise restriction is less restrictive because there is a higher expectation of quiet at night than during the day.

Also, Proposed Ordinance 8531 adds daytime unreasonable amplified noise to the list of violations that define when a social gathering becomes a public nuisance which in turn forms the basis for a Nuisance Party violation. If the social gathering is deemed to be a Nuisance Party violation by a police officer, participants are required to cease the social gathering and disperse immediately upon the order of a police officer. Refusal to obey and abide by such order is also a separate violation.

There are several affirmative defenses or exceptions to the rule including, but not limited to, sound coming from a vehicle's horn as a danger warning signal; sound made by a police alarm device, fire alarm device, car alarm; and sound coming from an event within the terms of a city manager issued permit.

Some of the feedback received dealt with other types of noise such as muffler noise, leaf blower noise, construction noise, etc. There is an entire chapter in the city code that addresses these other types of noise. In addition, there are decibel sound level restrictions in residential, mixed use, and industrial areas. The maximum decibel level permitted during the day (from 7am – 11pm) in residential is 55 dBA and 50 dBA at night (from 11pm – 7am). Decibel readings must be taken by sound level meters and require specific training to use. The proposed ordinance is intended to provide an objective way for all officers to be able to easily enforce unreasonable noise without the use of a sound level meter. In addition, the daytime restriction will allow enforcement to address unreasonable amplified noise issues, that are typically associated with parties, before they get out of hand later in the evening.

If the proposed ordinance is adopted, not only does the city intend to track the number of citations under the new law by demographic data to identify and address any potential racial disparity, but it will also track the data to determine whether the new ordinance is having a positive impact on the reduction of daytime noise.

NEXT STEPS

On August 4, 2022, council passed Proposed Ordinance 8531 on first reading. On September 1, 2022, staff is bringing forward the same ordinance on second reading as an emergency ordinance. If adopted by emergency, the ordinance would go into effect immediately without the 30-day waiting period. A two-thirds council majority vote is required to pass an emergency ordinance.

If council adopts the proposed ordinance on second reading, it will be effective immediately. It is necessary to bring the ordinance forward by emergency to accommodate the university's school start date. The police department, in collaboration with the university, will provide education about the new regulations as the students return to school in mid-August to early September.

ATTACHMENTS

- A – Proposed Emergency Ordinance 8531
- B – Community Engagement & Feedback

ORDINANCE 8531

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 5-9-6, "UNREASONABLE NOISE PROHIBITED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11 P.M. THROUGH 7 A.M., AND 5-3-11, "NUISANCE PARTY PROHIBITED," B.R.C. 1981, TO PROHIBIT UNREASONABLE AMPLIFIED NOISE DURING THE DAYTIME AS WELL AS NIGHTTIME HOURS; AND SETTING FORTH RELATED DETAILS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOULDER,

COLORADO:

Section 1. Section 5-9-6. "Unreasonable Noise Prohibited Between the Hours of 11 P.M.

Through 7 A.M.," B.R.C. 1981, is amended to read as follows:

5-9-6. - Unreasonable Noise Prohibited, Between the Hours of 11 P.M. Through 7 A.M.

~~Between the hours of 11 p.m. through 7 a.m., no person shall:~~

(a) Unreasonable Amplified Noise Sound:

(1) Nighttime Hours: Between the hours of 11 p.m. through 7 a.m., no person shall electronically amplify any sound, or make any noise by means of any electronic amplifier, which is loud enough to be audible to a person of normal hearing:

(1)(A) One hundred or more feet beyond the property line of the property upon which the loudspeakers are located where they are located in a residential district.

(2)(B) One hundred fifty or more feet beyond the property line of the property upon which the loudspeakers are located where they are located in a commercial or industrial district.

(2) Daytime Hours: Between the hours of 7 a.m. through 11 p.m., no person shall electronically amplify any sound, or make any noise by means of any electronic amplifier, which is loud enough to be audible to a person of normal hearing two hundred or more feet beyond the property line of the property upon which the loudspeakers are located where they are located in a residential district.

(3) Each resident or person in control of an activity or event in or on the premises of a dwelling unit who is present within that dwelling unit or upon the premises of that dwelling unit when sound in violation of this section is amplified or generated upon the premises shall be responsible for the generation of that sound or noise.

- (4) Each owner, manager, or person in control of an activity or event in or on the premises of a commercial or industrial property upon which sound in violation of this subsection is generated shall be responsible for the generation of that sound or noise.
- (5) It shall be an affirmative defense to a charge of violating this subsection that:
 - (A) The sound was made by an authorized emergency vehicle when responding to an emergency call or acting in time of emergency or by an emergency warning device operated by a government;
 - (B) The sound was made by the sounding of the horn of any vehicle as a danger warning signal or by the sounding of any warning device as required by law;
 - (C) The sound was made within the terms of a city manager issued permit ~~parade or temporary street closure permit issued by the city manager~~;
 - (D) The sound was made on property belonging to or leased or managed by a federal, state, or county governmental body other than the city and made by an activity of the governmental body or by others pursuant to a contract, lease, or permit granted by such governmental body;
 - (E) The sound was made by a police alarm device if the police alarm shuts off automatically after no longer than ten minutes, by a fire alarm, or by an alarm system installed in a motor vehicle, if the car alarm shuts off automatically after no longer than five minutes;
 - (F) For a charge of violation based on Paragraph (a)(3) or (a)(4) of this section, the defendant did all that a reasonable person could have done under the circumstances of the creation of the noise to prevent the offense and, if requested to do so, cooperated with law enforcement officers to identify accurately the offender or offenders; or
 - (G) For a charge of violation based on Paragraph (a)(4) of this section, the sound was made by a trespasser.

(b) Unreasonable Unamplified Sound Noise:

- (1) Between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., while on public property within a residential district, no person shall yell, scream, shout, cheer, sing, or otherwise make noise with the human voice louder than that which is reasonably necessary for normal conversational speech.
- (2) It shall be an affirmative defense to a charge of violating this subsection that the sound noise was reasonably necessary to gain assistance to prevent a crime, catch a criminal, warn of fire or other danger, or to seek assistance for a health problem or injury or for assistance in dealing with an accident.

(c) Trash Pickup: Between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., ~~N~~o person shall make any trash pickup with a truck which has a compactor or the capacity to raise and dump dumpsters in any residential or commercial district, and no employer shall fail to prevent its employee from violating this subsection while the employee is driving a trash truck owned by or under the control of the employer. For the purposes of this subsection, testimony that the name of a business which holds itself out as being in the business of trash hauling was written on the

1 trash truck shall be *prima facie* evidence that the trash truck was owned by or was under the
2 control of the employer so identified.

3 Section 2. Section 5-3-11, "Nuisance Party Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981, is amended to read
4 as follows:

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6 (b) A social gathering shall be deemed to constitute a public nuisance when, by reason of the
7 conduct of persons in attendance, it results in one or more of the following violations of this
8 code and which violations occur at the site of the social gathering, or on neighboring public
or private property:

9 Section 5-3-1, "Assault in the Third Degree," B.R.C. 1981;

10 Section 5-3-2, "Brawling," B.R.C. 1981;

11 Section 5-3-4, "Threatening Bodily Injury," B.R.C. 1981;

12 Section 5-3-5, "Obstructing Public Streets, Places, or Buildings," B.R.C. 1981;

13 Section 5-3-6, "Use of Fighting Words," B.R.C. 1981;

14 Section 5-4-1, "Damaging Property of Another," B.R.C. 1981;

15 Section 5-4-2, "Damaging Public Property," B.R.C. 1981;

16 Section 5-4-3, "Trespass," B.R.C. 1981;

17 Section 5-4-10, "Fires on Public Property," B.R.C. 1981;

18 Section 5-4-13, "Littering," B.R.C. 1981;

19 Section 5-4-14, "Graffiti Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981;

20 Section 5-5-3, "Obstructing a Peace Officer or Firefighter," B.R.C. 1981;

21 Section 5-5-10, "False Reports," B.R.C. 1981;

22 Section 5-6-6, "Fireworks," B.R.C. 1981;

23 Section 5-6-7, "Public Urination," B.R.C. 1981;

24 Section 5-7-2, "Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages in Public
Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981;

1 Section 5-7-3, "Unlawful to Sell or Give to or Procure for Minors," B.R.C. 1981;
2 Section 5-7-4, "Possession and Sale by Minors Unlawful," B.R.C. 1981;
3 Section 5-9-3, "Exceeding Decibel Sound Levels Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981;
4 Section 5-9-5, "Disrupting Quiet Enjoyment of Home," B.R.C. 1981;
5 Section 5-9-6, "Unreasonable Noise Prohibited ~~Between the Hours of 11 P.M. Through 7 A.M.~~," B.R.C. 1981;
6 A violation of any provision in Chapter 6-3, "Trash, Recyclables, and Compostables,"
7 B.R.C. 1981, relating to the unlawful deposit of trash;
8 Section 7-4-61, "Obstructing Traffic Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981;
9 Paragraph 10-8-2(b)(12), B.R.C. 1981, concerning open burning.

10 ...

11 Section 3. The City Council finds this ordinance is necessary for the immediate
12 preservation of public peace, health, safety, and property justifying the adoption of this ordinance
13 as an emergency measure.

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15 Section 4. This ordinance is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of
16 the residents of the city and covers matters of local concern.

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18 Section 5. The City Council deems it appropriate that this Ordinance be published by title
19 only and orders that copies of this Ordinance be made available in the office of the city clerk for
20 public inspection and acquisition.

1 INTRODUCED, READ ON FIRST READING, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY
2 TITLE ONLY this 4th day of August 2022.

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5 Aaron Brockett,
6 Mayor
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9 Attest:
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12 City Clerk
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14 READ ON SECOND READING, PASSED AND ADOPTED AS AN EMERGENCY
15 MEASURE BY TWO-THIRDS COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT this 1st day of September
16 2022.

17 Attest:
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19 Aaron Brockett,
20 Mayor
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23 City Clerk
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Share your thoughts

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

12 March 2018 - 15 August 2022

PROJECT NAME:

Proposed Noise Ordinance Changes



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 | Where is your neighborhood? (major intersection or neighborhood name)

Anonymous Park East (Gilpin and Evans)

6/01/2022 03:34 PM

Anonymous The hill

6/02/2022 10:38 AM

Anonymous Highland Park

6/02/2022 01:35 PM

Anonymous Maxwell Addition

6/02/2022 04:01 PM

Anonymous Chautauqua Heights

6/03/2022 05:29 AM

Anonymous Martin Acres

6/03/2022 10:05 AM

Anonymous Baseline/Inca

6/03/2022 01:12 PM

Anonymous Frasier Meadows

6/03/2022 07:24 PM

Anonymous Melody Catalpa

6/03/2022 07:46 PM

Anonymous Goss-Grove

6/03/2022 08:10 PM

Anonymous Tantra

6/03/2022 08:46 PM

Anonymous Orchard Creek, Spine Rd in Gunbarrel

6/03/2022 09:56 PM

Anonymous Gunbarrel

6/03/2022 10:02 PM

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Share your thoughts : Survey Report for 12 March 2018 to 15 August 2022

Anonymous Arapahoe ridge

6/03/2022 10:49 PM

Anonymous Whittier

6/03/2022 10:54 PM

Anonymous 9th & Mapleton

6/04/2022 12:03 AM

Anonymous The Hill

6/04/2022 05:38 AM

Anonymous Boulder Junction

6/04/2022 06:47 AM

Anonymous Gunbarrel North

6/04/2022 07:05 AM

Anonymous Parkside

6/04/2022 08:41 AM

Anonymous Monroe & Colorado

6/04/2022 09:13 AM

Anonymous 17th and Walnut

6/04/2022 09:50 AM

Anonymous Gunbarrel

6/04/2022 10:23 AM

Anonymous Table Mesa

6/04/2022 10:36 AM

Anonymous Goss Grove

6/04/2022 11:14 AM

Anonymous Iris and 15th St

6/04/2022 12:39 PM

Anonymous Portland and Broadway

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6/04/2022 01:45 PM

Anonymous Gunbarrel North

6/04/2022 01:49 PM

Anonymous Tantra Dr. and Table Mesa

6/04/2022 02:05 PM

Anonymous Gunbarrel

6/04/2022 02:32 PM

Anonymous Boulder Junction

6/04/2022 02:42 PM

Anonymous Goss Grove

6/04/2022 03:52 PM

Anonymous Northfield commons

6/04/2022 05:52 PM

Anonymous 17th Street (The Hill)

6/04/2022 07:03 PM

Anonymous University Hill

6/04/2022 07:27 PM

Anonymous South Broadway and Grinnell Ave

6/05/2022 05:42 PM

Anonymous 15th and Euclid

6/05/2022 08:20 PM

Anonymous Goss-Grove

6/06/2022 12:12 PM

Anonymous Goss-Grove

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Anonymous Goss-Grove

6/06/2022 01:05 PM

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Anonymous Goss grove

6/06/2022 01:52 PM

Anonymous Goss Grove

6/07/2022 06:11 AM

Anonymous 9th and Mapleton

6/07/2022 09:53 AM

Anonymous Goss Grove--15th to Folsom and Arapahoe to Canyon

6/08/2022 05:52 AM

Anonymous University Hill

6/08/2022 10:47 AM

Anonymous 9th and Euclid

6/08/2022 11:48 AM

Anonymous The Hill

6/08/2022 12:12 PM

Anonymous Lincoln and Euclid

6/08/2022 12:38 PM

Anonymous Rural North Boulder

6/10/2022 12:43 AM

Anonymous Goss Grove

6/10/2022 02:32 PM

Anonymous Goss-Grove

6/11/2022 02:00 PM

Anonymous The Hill

7/20/2022 02:55 PM

Anonymous Palo park

7/28/2022 12:57 PM

Anonymous Palo Park

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Anonymous 30th and Colorado
8/1/2022 03:57 AM

Anonymous Maxwell Addition
8/1/2022 08:59 PM

Anonymous Highlands
8/12/2022 06:41 AM

Anonymous chautauqua heights
8/12/2022 02:19 PM

Anonymous East Arapahoe
8/13/2022 06:46 AM

Anonymous University Hill
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Anonymous Euclid and Lincoln
8/13/2022 11:46 AM

Anonymous University Hill
8/13/2022 11:49 AM

Anonymous Rose Hill. College and 8th
8/13/2022 11:54 AM

Anonymous 15th and Aurora
8/13/2022 12:05 PM

Anonymous 9th and university, on the hill
8/13/2022 12:10 PM

Anonymous The Hill
8/13/2022 12:11 PM

Anonymous The Hill, 9th & Aurora
8/13/2022 12:13 PM

Anonymous University Hill
8/13/2022 12:18 PM

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Anonymous Lincoln Place and Euclid Avenue

8/13/2022 02:22 PM

Anonymous University Hill

8/13/2022 02:29 PM

Anonymous University Hill

8/13/2022 02:39 PM

Anonymous 11th and Baseline (Cascade)

8/13/2022 02:44 PM

Anonymous University Hill

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Anonymous University Hill

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Anonymous The hill. 11th and Aurora

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Anonymous University Heights (Uni Hill)

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Anonymous University Hill, 8th and Euclid

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Anonymous college & 10th

8/13/2022 04:16 PM

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Anonymous Baseline/13th

8/13/2022 05:25 PM

Anonymous Lincoln and Grandview

8/13/2022 05:35 PM

Anonymous University Hill

8/13/2022 07:53 PM

Anonymous University Hill

8/13/2022 07:57 PM

Anonymous Euclid & Lincoln plane

8/13/2022 07:58 PM

Anonymous Lower Chautauqua

8/13/2022 08:05 PM

Anonymous Euclid and Lincoln

8/13/2022 08:15 PM

Anonymous The Hill

8/13/2022 08:17 PM

Anonymous Euclid and 10th St

8/14/2022 05:51 AM

Anonymous University Hill / Chataqua

8/14/2022 06:02 AM

Anonymous Hill Neighborhood

8/14/2022 06:46 AM

Anonymous The Hill

8/14/2022 07:12 AM

Anonymous The Hill. Cascade and 9th St area

8/14/2022 07:51 AM

Anonymous Near 9th St. & College Ave.

8/14/2022 08:06 AM

Anonymous Euclid and Lincoln Place
8/14/2022 08:57 AM

Anonymous Grant and Euclid
8/14/2022 09:36 AM

Anonymous 7th & College
8/14/2022 09:41 AM

Anonymous University Hill area, corner of 16th St and Cascade
8/14/2022 10:56 AM

Anonymous University Hill (15th and Cascade)
8/14/2022 12:34 PM

Anonymous Grant Place
8/14/2022 02:18 PM

Anonymous University Hill (Lincoln Place at Euclid)
8/14/2022 03:11 PM

Anonymous 11th and Cascade
8/14/2022 03:13 PM

Anonymous Hill
8/14/2022 05:26 PM

Anonymous University Hill
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Anonymous University Hill
8/15/2022 09:46 AM

Anonymous The Hill
8/15/2022 10:39 AM

Anonymous Baseline and 13th
8/15/2022 12:35 PM

Optional question (122 response(s), 0 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question

Q2 | What positive impacts would the proposed changes have on your neighborhood?

Anonymous
6/01/2022 03:34 PM
I am virtually never bothered by amplified noise nearby, so don't expect to be impacted much.

Anonymous
6/02/2022 10:38 AM
none

Anonymous
6/02/2022 01:35 PM
Reduce noise.

Anonymous
6/02/2022 04:01 PM
Make daytime noise violations enforceable

Anonymous
6/03/2022 05:29 AM
We live on Baseline where on a daily and nightly basis cars race up and down Flagstaff, modified mufflers and backfires from both cars and motorcycles are a consistent occurrence. Wildlife migrates and lives on both sides of this area. Reducing noise during daytime and nighttime hours that is actually enforced would help improve the quality of residents, patrons of the open space and the safety of human and wildlife.

Anonymous
6/03/2022 10:05 AM
Allow us to have some guidance regarding noise issues with our neighbors

Anonymous
6/03/2022 01:12 PM
We don't have amplified sound issues from speakers but we have horrific noise issues from modified vehicle mufflers on cars and motorcycles purposefully forcefully accelerating up and down Baseline late at night and early morning.

Anonymous
6/03/2022 07:24 PM
None

Anonymous
6/03/2022 07:46 PM
While noise complaints are not frequent in this neighborhood, it would be a welcome ordinance to help ensure all our neighbors have peaceful enjoyment of their home. We're all for it.

Anonymous
6/03/2022 08:10 PM
None.

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Anonymous None

6/03/2022 08:46 PM

Anonymous It is a huge problem in my daughter's neighborhood. (She is a CU student living near Broadway and 17th.) They can't even control the late night music there. How will they control daytime loud music? In our neighborhood it is only a problem 2-3 times a year.

Anonymous None. My problem is the constant airplane noise from BDU and RMMA.

Anonymous I don't support this idea

6/03/2022 10:49 PM

Anonymous If it means restaurants also can't have live music outside, it would improve life immeasurably in the neighborhood

Anonymous I don't know of any as we don't have any problems that this solves.

6/04/2022 12:03 AM

Anonymous I don't mind a little music during the day but the giant thumping party zone at 2pm while trying to work... will happily see that gone.

Anonymous None, any noise issues I have are already covered by the nighttime regulations.

Anonymous None

6/04/2022 07:05 AM

Anonymous None

6/04/2022 09:13 AM

Anonymous None-this is a silly proposal that clearly shows Boulder's leadership has lost its way. There are far more pressing issues in this town (crime, vandalism, unhoused, litter, road damage (at an all-time worst), and general safety. How about we have the PD spend less time enforcing noise ordinance and more time catching actual criminals or cleaning up the Creek Path so that it's not just a separate homeless community.

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Anonymous
6/04/2022 10:23 AM
Low flying aircraft noise issues could be added to this concern for neighborhood quiet goals.

Anonymous
6/04/2022 10:36 AM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 11:14 AM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 12:39 PM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 01:45 PM
Neighborhood is already pretty quiet, excessive laws seem unnecessary and constraining.

Anonymous
6/04/2022 01:49 PM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 02:05 PM
This change would make it easier to sleep before 11:00 by prohibiting loud music that is commonly heard in this neighborhood.

Anonymous
6/04/2022 02:32 PM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 02:42 PM
None.

Anonymous
6/04/2022 03:52 PM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 05:52 PM
None

Anonymous
6/04/2022 07:03 PM
Absolutely none.

Anonymous
6/04/2022 07:27 PM
The 5% of older people who live around the hill might be a little happier. With this said, this is very underrepresenting of the population of that neighborhood as a whole.

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Anonymous

6/05/2022 05:42 PM

The 'church' at the intersection of Grinnell Ave and Broadway blasts amplified bass every Sunday morning between 7:45-11:45am from May-Sept. it can be heard at homes, indoors and outdoors, for a couple of blocks around it. Hopefully, the ordinance will stop this noise pollution. Yay!

Anonymous

6/05/2022 08:20 PM

It would make the people who already don't like the college atmosphere happier. It would fine more homes which would make the city more money.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 12:12 PM

Make Goss-Grove more peaceful and welcoming to everyone.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 12:15 PM

Thrive got a permit for amplified noise. It was way above 100 decibels a block from the business. This change would allow the police to shut down events like this. A quiet neighborhood is livable neighborhood.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 01:05 PM

none

Anonymous

6/07/2022 06:11 AM

Would encourage Goss Grove residents, particularly students, to keep noise to a reasonable level during the day.

Anonymous

6/07/2022 09:53 AM

None

Anonymous

6/08/2022 05:52 AM

less stress

Anonymous

6/08/2022 10:47 AM

Allows for police response without neighbors reporting on each other; allows for better monitoring during known party times (football games, halloween, st. patrick's day, first nice weather in spring)

Anonymous

6/08/2022 11:48 AM

We are a family with 4 children, our home has students living next door (in a house that has been split into 2 units with 8 students) and we also have student housing directly opposite and on both sides of 9th Street. The extended noise ordinance is very much welcomed - it will provide us with a 'standard and expectation which we communicate with our neighboring students regarding unreasonable noise during the day. At present, our hands have been 'tied' until 11

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pm. Many students have day-time parties, play music very loud, and have large gatherings in their outdoor space which we did not feel we could say 'anything' and has impacted our ability to enjoy our own backyard/patio.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 12:12 PM

Daytime parties are all too common with loud music traveling several blocks from the source. This sours our ability to utilize our outdoor space peacefully. In addition, bringing my young children to Beach Park is unpleasant with multiple loud music sources blaring. I'm of course OK with the college kids socializing, but why they need to do that with extremely loud music that blankets many blocks is beyond me.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 12:38 PM

There would be rules during the day as well as the night. I could tell people who are thinking of buying a house that a 24 hour noise ordinance applies. I could remind landlords and students. Maybe, a robust ordinance would improve relations between neighbors and students. Currently, my goodwill, particularly since the pandemic and the last riot, has been entirely drained. I would like to once again have amicable feelings towards CU students in particular, and a belief that the City of Boulder cares for my neighborhood. I've been encouraged by CU's gestures and actions over the past year.

Anonymous

6/10/2022 12:43 AM

None

Anonymous

6/10/2022 02:32 PM

Little to none

Anonymous

6/11/2022 02:00 PM

We are often outside, walking, working in gardens etc... being able to do so would be so much more calming. Often have to go back inside due to noise.

Anonymous

7/20/2022 02:55 PM

Fewer parties, students would not be as interested in gathering for parties, and they might actually study! It would improve mental health for people and animals. It would add to safety for the entire community.

Anonymous

7/28/2022 12:57 PM

I think this is a good idea. A lot of people work from home now and it can be noisy during the working daytime hours.

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Anonymous
8/11/2022 03:57 AM
I would hope that these changes would apply to vehicles with illegal exhaust systems that shatter the silence, and I would hope that the police would ticket drivers of obviously-loud vehicles.

Anonymous
8/11/2022 08:59 PM
Give recourse for unreasonable daytime noise

Anonymous
8/12/2022 06:41 AM
Less noise

Anonymous
8/12/2022 02:19 PM
increased quiet, increased wildlife, fewer raucous parties

Anonymous
8/13/2022 06:46 AM
We live in townhome complex. It might help with neighbors playing loud music while cleaning cars and garages or workshops in/ near public areas.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 11:36 AM
The proposed amendment to the Noise Ordinance will be a game changer in our neighborhood (for both permanent residents and students alike) by expanding the limits to include daytime hours and pivot the responsibility for reporting from neighbors to the police. It is the first step of many to address the environmental and social issues we face.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 11:46 AM
Allow me and my kids and pets to sleep at night. Allow me to want to stay living in Boulder and not go somewhere where we can sleep in peace.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 11:49 AM
It will restrain noise and unwieldy parties.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 11:54 AM
Stop my dog from freaking out at the fireworks.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 12:05 PM
It would reduce the staggering noise associated with parties on the Hill, day and night. Sometimes the noise is so loud that the doors inside my house shake.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 12:10 PM
Better ability to enforce issues related to noise and parties, decrease need for neighbors policing each other

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Anonymous It would make living near the students more appealing. Hopefully fewer calls to the non emergency line
8/13/2022 12:11 PM

Anonymous Have more control over protection from noise that has been disrupting our home. Hope for return to normalcy that we had when we moved here.
8/13/2022 12:13 PM

Anonymous Quiet enjoyment of home. Perhaps tamper down the loud parties that lead to rowdy behavior that leads to riots and major destruction of property.
8/13/2022 12:18 PM

Anonymous I ciukd sleep through the night, my dogs and kids wouldnt have so mich anxiety, i would feel more charitable toward students
8/13/2022 12:19 PM

Anonymous Quieter, higher quality of life, better sleep.
8/13/2022 12:45 PM

Anonymous Reduced noise, reduced drunken parties, reduced burden to report parties.
8/13/2022 12:45 PM

Anonymous My hope is that the changes would lead, over the long term, to more neighborhood stability and a healthy community. Around St. Patrick's Day, the 4th of July and game days I am really alarmed that something bad will happen--something bad usually does happen (riots, shots being fired, a murder some years ago). I hope the new ordinance would help police to, basically, supervise unsupervised students, and to keep the peace with simple, clear guidelines. Also, since CU is going to grow by thousands, we really have to figure this out for the rest of Boulder!
8/13/2022 12:49 PM

Anonymous Not much
8/13/2022 12:50 PM

Anonymous We would feel like we could have some control over the parties and outrageous drinking behaviour that we have to deal with every week living next to students. Instead of waiting till 11pm we could ask students to be respectful. We are a family with 4 children who go to bed long before 11pm, yet we are hopeless with nothing we can do till this time.
8/13/2022 01:05 PM

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Anonymous
8/13/2022 01:10 PM
My children, myself, and my dog would be able to both sleep with the windows open and actually sleep undisturbed. It was extremely annoying when my husband with brain cancer was still alive and his sleep (and ours) was habitually interrupted.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 01:19 PM
Improved safety, mental health, social welfare. Improved relationship between students and non-students.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 01:19 PM
Reducing late night party noise and the noise from exploding fire works. Being able to sleep through the night without waking up to loud noise, music, screaming, etc. A mitigation of the stress that has going along with years of out of control noise. A positive feeling that this is a relatively quiet neighborhood.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 01:24 PM
Reducing late night party noise and the noise from exploding fire works. Being able to sleep through the night without waking up to loud noise, music, screaming, etc. A mitigation of the stress that has going along with years of out of control noise. A positive feeling that this is a relatively quiet neighborhood.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 02:00 PM
Our neighborhood suffers from excessive student noise, fireworks, trash, and in general discourteous student behavior. We are in desperate need of oversight and consequences for violation of neighborly behavior.

Anonymous
8/13/2022 02:03 PM
Allow us the peaceful enjoyment of our backyard without constant low frequency noise from the PA systems at student parties, day and night

Anonymous
8/13/2022 02:04 PM
My children (6 and 7 years old) would be able to sleep through the night uninterrupted on a regular basis. My husband and I would be able to do the same!

Anonymous
8/13/2022 02:20 PM
This would allow police to shut down problematic parties much earlier than currently. This will prevent parties getting out of control. My young children (4 years old, 5 months old) would grow up in a much nicer neighborhood if late night music, fireworks, parties and riots were eliminated.

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Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:22 PM

Allowing the enforcement of reasonable noise limits throughout the day will prevent the ongoing noise pollution of this iconic and historic neighborhood. There are many families that are drawn to this neighborhood, but even in the short time that I've lived here, several have already left due to noise (and unnecessarily burdensome reporting mechanisms), not to mention litter, parking and other challenges that appear during the school year. Allowing enforcement by authorities at all hours without the need for a specific complaint by a neighbor certainly seems more consistent with other regulations intended to preserve the experience of our city such as restrictions on outdoor lighting, as well as forward thinking energy efficiency initiatives.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:29 PM

They would help enable us to enjoy peace and quiet in our homes.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:39 PM

Being able to have a bit of quiet enjoyment that other citizens take for granted. Better sleep. Hopefully this will reduce the large parties on the Hill that are loud and have led to violence, drunkenness and other unlawful behaviors.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:44 PM

Consistently reasonable quiet.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:47 PM

Reduction of crime, noise, trash issues, renegade slumlords, anti-social behavior, unruly pets -- reduction of all quality of life issues and increasing ability of residents to enjoy quiet and safety they deserve in their homes and surrounding neighborhood.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:15 PM

Some peace and quiet. The ability to do some work at my desk in the daytime without losing my mind. Maybe a chance to sleep at night without explosions that lift me out of bed? Escape from horrible music played horribly loudly.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:26 PM

With the ability of the police to be able to directly enforce noise ordinances without the need for a citizen to make a report I expect that the nuisance noise issues will be greatly reduced. Quality of life will improve.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:46 PM

Specifically, ending the nightly fireworks explosions would stop, everyone would rest easier. This is not a victimless issue. Veterans with PTSD, infants and the elderly, not to mention dogs would benefit.

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If we weren't all on high alert every night we might be able to actually hear when there is an issue to be dealt with (actual gun shots, trespassing, vandalism and animal damage)

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:47 PM

Improved quality of life

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:51 PM

The proposed noise ordinance would provide police with clear, enforceable standards for limiting loud noise emanating from large parties on Hill. Enforcement of the noise ordinance would have the broader effect of helping police to curb other negative behaviors that result from large gatherings on the Hill, including public drunkenness, illegal fireworks, riots and (most recently) random gunfire in residential neighborhoods. The ordinance would improve the quality of life for everyone, students as well as permanent residents; most of the students I have talked with since the March 2021 riot want a quieter, safer neighborhood environment.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:53 PM

Many of my neighbors are fantastic. However, some are not respectful neighbors and create a great deal of disruption. This change would create additional avenues towards enforcing norms about all residents being good neighbors, especially as it pertains to disruption. Moreover, it would help continue to make my neighborhood a good place to raise my kids.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 04:05 PM

Reduced noise would allow me to sleep with my windows open at night. It will allow my grandchildren to come over and be abruptly wakened and frightened at night.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 04:16 PM

Hopefully fewer fireworks and elimination of outdoor amplified music.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 05:25 PM

We are living with drag racing, modified exhaust and firework noise 24/7. All of these things exceed the acceptable decibel sound level. Anything at all, to help with the onslaught outside of our homes.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 05:35 PM

That's what allow noise ordinance to be better enforced and decrease the need for neighbors to call non-emergency police for noise disruptions. These are consistent of parties, fireworks and very loud music all hours of the day and night.

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Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:53 PM

My kids would visit us with their dogs if we didn't have fireworks going off! We'd enjoy our backyard more if there wasn't loud music with base. We welcome college students that respect the quietness of our family neighborhood. We enjoy hearing the CU stadium activities and university life.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:57 PM

Like a lot more people these days, I often work from home. Having quiet during the day is as important as quiet at night. I also have a dog who shakes and tries to hide from fireworks, many of which are much louder than in days past. It would improve his life and consequently, mine! I only see upsides!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:58 PM

As the mother of two small children (6 and 3) we have spent a lot of time making noise complaints for music that shakes our house during nap and bedtime. I'm also a practicing physician and need to sleep so I can safely do my job. Hopefully this measure will allow for quiet during nap, bedtime and middle of the night so that we can all be fully functioning members of society when it matters!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 08:05 PM

It would make all the difference in the world. All it takes in one student household within a block that plays bass all hours of the day and night to destroy a sense of peace and quiet. I have no problem with noise some of the time, but the constant and loud (like being able to hear it blocks away) nature of it is so frustrating.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 08:15 PM

This proposal would help my family live in this neighborhood. It is a critical improvement to make this community one that we can thrive in. Specifically, it would help deal with the number one issue - out of control student parties and noise. My family, including two kids and another on the way, loves living on the hill. However, we call the cops at least 4 days per months, often multiple times per issue, to deal with student noise that is interfering with our kids naps during the day or our kids and ours night time sleep. We respect a reasonable amount of noise but this is raging, wake you out of deep slumber, house party that sounds like it is in your house. It is frustrating that currently the responsibility lies solely with the neighbor to call to deal with the noise. This approach does not work. In fact, the recent July 4th weekend showed that / and an uncontrolled house party brought gun violence to the streets. I don't understand why students get to treat off campus housing like it is on campus. I imagine on campus security has more authority to deal with student issues. That is why I think this noise ordinance would improve the neighborhood. It would enable a more holistic approach to regulate student noise.

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Anonymous 8/13/2022 08:17 PM	Huge!!! The police would be able to address noise without the neighbors being responsible for reporting every time, and they would be able to calm loud parties early before they become riots. Fireworks are the biggest problem we have. Calming loud parties may help reduce fireworks.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 05:51 AM	better sleep for me, husband and 3 kids - enjoyment of yard
Anonymous 8/14/2022 06:02 AM	Significant improvement to daily life, night rest, and overall well-being
Anonymous 8/14/2022 06:46 AM	Stop late night noise and year-round fireworks
Anonymous 8/14/2022 07:12 AM	Increased evening enjoyment of quiet hours, better sleep, enduring fewer complaints from neighbors on listservs and NextDoor.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 07:51 AM	It would help curb firework noise in the earlier hours of the evening when they can frequently be heard beginning at sundown
Anonymous 8/14/2022 08:06 AM	Better quality of life for neighbors of problem properties.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 08:57 AM	It would bring peace and quiet to our neighborhood that has become unruly due to students who could care less about our community.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 09:36 AM	Peace and Quiet. I am hoping that this ordinance will have a calming affect on the students. But it will only work if the city enforces this ordinance.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 09:41 AM	Increased public safety , decreased fire danger, decreased property damage, decreased noise and decreased likelihood of injury to residents.
Anonymous 8/14/2022 10:56 AM	New noise ordinance would provides a tool for police to intervene at out of control parties before cover of darkness
Anonymous	We have small kids and value a quiet community in which we can

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8/14/2022 12:34 PM

raise them. We understand there will be noise in a college town, but the current process to report excessively loud neighborhood activity has not been effective.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 02:18 PM

I can say this - there is a noise problem - including non-party noise - such as gatherings in backyards and rooftops that go into the wee hours (3am) regularly. Add to that houses with basketball courts and drunk college kids can't resist. Try to sleep with that right out your window. And when I call the police, the answer is most often "we couldn't find any source of noise". Frustrating.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 03:11 PM

This would hopefully reduce both daytime and evening noise in our neighborhood. The noise generated by university students make many things difficult: enjoying our outdoor spaces, getting our young child down to bed, and generally relaxing at home.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 03:13 PM

Will encourage responsible tenants and neighborhood harmony

Anonymous

8/14/2022 05:26 PM

Enforcing reasonable noise ordinances along with firework control would benefit the Hill community. It doesn't seem that the current noise ordinance is being enforced.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 05:48 PM

Able to sleep at night and work during the day.

Anonymous

8/15/2022 09:46 AM

The noise ordinance changes would allow the city to intervene as parties grow in our neighborhood and de-escalate these situations before they become more dangerous and lead to riot-level conditions.

Anonymous

8/15/2022 10:39 AM

Sleep would improve for me and my family and dog. The almost daily fireworks often wake up our dog and we need to wake up to calm her down.

Anonymous

8/15/2022 12:35 PM

Less sleep disturbance due to firecrackers and hopefully safer neighborhoods.

Optional question (119 response(s), 3 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q3 What negative impacts would the proposed changes have on your neighborhood?

Anonymous

6/01/2022 03:34 PM

I would hate to see people being unfairly targeted for enjoying an event with some amplification, but I doubt too many people in my neighborhood will get complaints.

Anonymous

6/02/2022 10:38 AM

Ruining the culture of one of the most beloved college campuses in the nation. Music is a huge part of student life and I think the noise ordinance for Boulder is fine the way it is.

Anonymous

6/02/2022 01:35 PM

None.

Anonymous

6/02/2022 04:01 PM

None

Anonymous

6/03/2022 05:29 AM

None

Anonymous

6/03/2022 10:05 AM

None

Anonymous

6/03/2022 01:12 PM

None

Anonymous

6/03/2022 07:24 PM

None

Anonymous

6/03/2022 07:46 PM

I don't see any.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 08:10 PM

My household of musicians could face consequences for playing music at home or hosting get-togethers and jam sessions.

Anonymous

6/03/2022 08:46 PM

Not letting people have fun

Anonymous

6/03/2022 10:02 PM

None

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Anonymous 6/03/2022 10:49 PM	It would create a cheap police state where even if the entire neighborhood is enjoying the day the police can issue citations. Fuck that.
Anonymous 6/03/2022 10:54 PM	None. There is already too much noise. Let's ban leaf blowers too.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 12:03 AM	Some people like to listen to amplified music and they should be allowed to do so during the day.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 05:38 AM	None.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 06:47 AM	Make me and all my neighbors have to worry about doing anything that makes noise lest we be fined.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 07:05 AM	Children's birthday parties could be ticketed. Neighborhood block parties could be ticketed. We don't need nanny laws, fix the big problems (homelessness, theft, staffing) first before wasting time on this.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 09:13 AM	Cops enforcing nanny-state Karen laws.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 09:50 AM	Draw away scarce city and police resources from addressing/solving actual problems facing the city. Seriously, this is a terrible waste of resources and if it passes I'll vote against all city council members who supported when they come up for reelection.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 10:23 AM	None.
Anonymous 6/04/2022 10:36 AM	It's ridiculous
Anonymous 6/04/2022 11:14 AM	Empowering Karens
Anonymous 6/04/2022 12:39 PM	This would make our annual HOA party much less fun. If our whole neighborhood approves of having sound at our party, why make us

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criminals for it??!?

Anonymous

6/04/2022 01:45 PM

Much less fun area, there is a certain musical ambiance that is to be appreciated, people should also be able to gather and listen to music during reasonable hours.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 01:49 PM

Gives whining busybodies a sense of outsized importance.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:05 PM

None

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:32 PM

I don't have an issue with my neighbors playing music during the daytime, I think it's fine.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:42 PM

It would instill fear, uncertainty, and doubt in our neighbors whenever they would consider having any amplified sound for any reason. That is no way to live.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 03:52 PM

Hurting local musicians

Anonymous

6/04/2022 05:52 PM

Music improves peoples quality of life. Also people are constitutionally given the freedom from unreasonable search and seizure. Allowing police to enter a property solely because they hear loud music is potentially opening up a lot of troubling legal quandaries down the line that I believe the DA should weight in on prior to making a legal decision to change policing laws.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 07:03 PM

The proposed changes would be extremely negative. The spirit of the town can be heard on nice days when people are laughing and playing music outside. These proposed changes would completely kill the culture and ruin the feeling of Boulder. Going out on a sunny day and being able to hear the sounds of people enjoying the weather is one of the most enjoyable things about Boulder. These proposed changes would result in a significantly more depressing atmosphere.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 07:27 PM

The fact that the changes are planned to be put in place/or not before students come back from the fall semester is ridiculous. This is some low life stuff that you are trying to sneak by the majority of the population of the hill while they are away on break. It reminds me of

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the attack on the capital building trying to get pence out of there so they could rig the election. I absolutely despise the way college students are being treated over the last few years with COVID. Noise from our music doesn't change anything. Close your windows and you won't be able to hear it. If you have a problem, come ask us instead of trying to sneak legislation behind our backs. If you tell anyone you didn't listen to music outside on a nice warm day during you are not being truthful.

Anonymous

6/05/2022 05:42 PM

None!

Anonymous

6/05/2022 08:20 PM

The freedom to live a college life and enjoy music. Quiet hours should not be inflicted in the day. At that point garbage trucks should be made to be more quiet when they pick up my trash. Construction near homes should be ticketed as well when they are too loud. This is simply another proposition to silence college students and limit their freedom that is harmless. I understand the noise levels being kept to a minimum during the night when people are sleeping on the weekdays, but other than that if you live near the hill you signed yourself up to at least a small amount of disturbance. Thousands of college kids live in this area and thousands will always reside here.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 12:12 PM

None.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 12:15 PM

None. No amplified noise in a neighborhood should ever be this loud.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 01:05 PM

killing any semblance of a music scene this town (barely) continues to hang onto, driving artists and musicians out of town, empowering old NIMBY types at the expense of a vibrant arts scene, granting more power to Boulder PD and their selective enforcement of, well, whatever they're supposedly enforcing these days, forcing people to do a bunch of annoying paperwork, continuing to turn Boulder into an awful resort town for old rich folk with diversified retirement plans, really all sorts of dumb and awful things.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 01:52 PM

Gentrification

Anonymous

6/07/2022 06:11 AM

None.

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Anonymous

6/07/2022 09:53 AM

More means for cops to harass people just trying to have a good time, especially since to my understanding this would allow cops to issue citations without a complaint. Any time we "empower law enforcement" that gives them more means to harass people who are not really causing problems. Being able to cite without a complaint seems very silly to me. The existing sound ordinance is sufficient, I find constant loud landscaping equipment (leaf blowers, mowers etc.) far far more disruptive than music, even when I lived on the Hill. Most loud music gets played during the weekend, whereas landscaping equipment is during weekday mornings when I am trying to work.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 05:52 AM

can't think of a negative to quiet

Anonymous

6/08/2022 10:47 AM

None that I can think of.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 11:48 AM

None.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 12:12 PM

I can't think of any.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 12:38 PM

None that I can see. If the ordinance can be respected, quality of life will improve for the entire neighborhood, including students. I would certainly not want my kids to live in party houses, throwing up from alcohol and so on. That's not a decent life style.

Anonymous

6/10/2022 12:43 AM

People would be scared to play nice, normal, amplified music outdoors during the day. Boulder would feel like a weird police state, with cops roaming around to give tickets to people playing music? Incredibly lame. If a neighbor doesn't like another neighbor's music, they should kindly ask them to turn it down. That's the Colorado way. Not police giving out tickets.

Anonymous

6/10/2022 02:32 PM

Allowing police officers to penalize residents for playing music in the daytime

Anonymous

6/11/2022 02:00 PM

none that I can think of except students may be mad about it.

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Anonymous None

7/20/2022 02:55 PM

Anonymous n/a

7/28/2022 12:57 PM

Anonymous None. The area has become too noisy. More peace and quiet would be very desirable.

Anonymous None

8/11/2022 03:57 AM

Anonymous None

8/12/2022 06:41 AM

Anonymous -

8/12/2022 02:19 PM

Anonymous None

8/13/2022 06:46 AM

Anonymous None.

8/13/2022 11:36 AM

Anonymous n/a

8/13/2022 11:49 AM

Anonymous None

8/13/2022 11:54 AM

Anonymous None.

8/13/2022 12:05 PM

Anonymous None, the police currently rarely stop a party that is blasting music that can be heard blocks away, so it can only get better from here.

Anonymous None

8/13/2022 12:11 PM

Anonymous Absolutely none as long as they can be enforced.

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8/13/2022 12:13 PM

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:18 PM

Don't see any. This would be a vast improvement to the environment that is the currently situation on University Hill

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:19 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:45 PM

None for us. Drunk, screaming students may be disappointed.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:45 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:49 PM

At the moment, I can't think of any.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:50 PM

Not clearly laid out activities that drive neighbors wild: Loud shouting at midnight Tromping through gardens Damaging personal property Very loud foul language

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:05 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:10 PM

Can't think of any

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:19 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:19 PM

None.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:24 PM

None.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:00 PM

Noise control is only a positive thing.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:03 PM

None

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Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:04 PM

I can see no negative impacts whatsoever. This is a residential neighborhood and the majority of full time residents value quiet late at night.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:20 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:22 PM

We as citizens will also have to monitor our own noise, which is not exactly a negative. However, there was a complaint last year against a long term family of residents who were signing and playing music on their front porch. We can't simply level this ordinance against "them", and assume that "we" are not subject to it.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:29 PM

None that I can think of.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:39 PM

Disappointment if not enforced.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:44 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:47 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:15 PM

What is negative about considerate neighbors who behave like responsible adults instead of hooligans?

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:26 PM

Absolutely none

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:46 PM

I can't think of a negative impact for my neighborhood if the ordinance was enforced.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:47 PM

None

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:51 PM

I can think of no negative impacts.

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Anonymous

None.

8/13/2022 03:53 PM

Anonymous

I cannot think of one negative impact on our neighborhood.

8/13/2022 04:05 PM

Anonymous

None.

8/13/2022 05:25 PM

Anonymous

None.

8/13/2022 05:35 PM

Anonymous

None

8/13/2022 07:53 PM

Anonymous

I can't even begin to think of a negative impact!

8/13/2022 07:57 PM

Anonymous

I imagine students will feel it restricts their freedom to play loud music that disrupt their neighbors.

Anonymous

None at all. It would be great for long-term and non-student residents, students that need to study, the Academy as a business and it's residents, Chautauqua and all the people that stay there, and more.

Anonymous

I do not think there would be any negative impacts. I guess student residents may be upset that they can't live on the hill and party as much as they used to. But I bet they would still chose to live on the hill.

Anonymous

None

8/13/2022 08:17 PM

Anonymous

none

8/14/2022 05:51 AM

Anonymous

None

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Anonymous

None

8/14/2022 06:46 AM

Anonymous

I'm sure students wouldn't be super jazzed about it?

8/14/2022 07:12 AM

Anonymous

None, if it is reasonably enforced

8/14/2022 07:51 AM

Anonymous

None.

8/14/2022 08:06 AM

Anonymous

None

8/14/2022 08:57 AM

Anonymous

None

8/14/2022 09:36 AM

Anonymous

None

8/14/2022 09:41 AM

Anonymous

Could potentially be used to curtail unavoidable noise from

construction.

Anonymous

None

8/14/2022 12:34 PM

Anonymous

None. More should be done, including holding both tenants and landlords accountable. Like evictions and removal of rental licenses (especially grandfathered ones that allow certain houses to be over occupied - talk about getting landlords invested in a solution!). Interestingly, in the mountain communities (e.g. Winter Park), you can't get a rental license without having someone who is on call locally to deal with problems. This should be required in Boulder, too.

Anonymous

n/a

8/14/2022 03:11 PM

Anonymous

none I can think of

8/14/2022 03:13 PM

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Anonymous
8/14/2022 05:26 PM
Extreme noise restrictions during day time hours 8 AM - 8 PM
discourages gatherings that may promote community and family and friend interactions. Enforcement should involve working to determine the source of the problem and working with property owners to find solutions.

Anonymous
8/14/2022 05:48 PM
None

Anonymous
8/15/2022 09:46 AM
None.

Anonymous
8/15/2022 10:39 AM
None

Anonymous
8/15/2022 12:35 PM
None that I can think of.

Optional question (117 response(s), 5 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q4 | What else would you like us to know?

Anonymous
6/02/2022 04:01 PM
This is a great move to keep neighborhoods quiet. I'd love to see the chalked messages on houses be removed. Essentially they're like billboards and should be prohibited. I walk or drive by the "Fox Den" and "The Girls Next Door" frequently and feel it's inappropriate. I'd also love to see the streets repaved on the Hill. 9th St especially between Canyon and University but also up to Baseline has many potholes, patches and utility cover holes so you have to dodge them. Some side streets are almost back to gravel. The Hill is one of our most precious historic neighborhoods and great for students and families but it deserves the same standards and maintenance as the rest of our city.

Anonymous
6/03/2022 05:29 AM
The rate of speed occurring on and around the main arteries of the Hill and Chautauqua area have only become worse during the pandemic. Without speed and safety reduction methods this will continue to become an area that actually promotes noise not a reduction. Our neighborhood has been tolerate of the freeway like behavior for far too long. Now safety is being compromised.

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Anonymous 6/03/2022 07:24 PM	Instead of banning music during daytime houses the city should ban the noise of gas-powered yard equipment which is considerably more disturbing to my peaceful and quiet enjoyment of my property. There are 100% electric solutions which are commercially available and no reason for the constant drone of leaf blowers all summer long during the daytime
Anonymous 6/03/2022 07:46 PM	This is a great and welcome change. Can we add noise from gas powered leaf blowers to this or future restriction/legislation?
Anonymous 6/03/2022 08:10 PM	This ban is ridiculous. If you want to reduce the amount of noise pollution in residential areas, ban leafblowers and other gas-powered machines used to do nothing but maintain lawns. It's an absolutely horrible restriction of normal daytime activity (listening to or playing music) and times in which plenty of other noise is allowed and unrestricted. Of all kinds of noise, music is certainly more pleasant than lawnmowers, leafblowers, various vehicles, construction, etc.
Anonymous 6/03/2022 08:46 PM	This is ridiculous people should be able to listen to loud music during the day. If people are annoyed by it they can leave their house it's extremely simple problem to solve that doesn't require any legal action, we live in Boulder, Colorado they can go on a walk or a hike or sit in a park this is so atrocious
Anonymous 6/03/2022 09:56 PM	A much bigger problem that affects more Boulder residents, is the endless looping of loud planes flying low over our neighborhood. We just cannot understand why the city allows this to go on. We can't even sit outside anymore. 150 student pilots and plane owners are holding tens of thousands of Boulder residents hostage under the lead-exhaust spewing planes. It is just a matter of time until a student pilot crashes into a neighborhood. Until then the increase of flight school traffic over previously Quiet Zone neighborhoods has ruined our quality of life and will affect our home values as well. There is some kind of corruption going on between the Boulder Airport and flight school, and our city council, and the FAA. We have lived here 27 years and it was never a problem until the pandemic started. Please, we are BEGGING you to do something about this!
Anonymous 6/03/2022 10:02 PM	Forget this crap, stop the incessant airplane noise from unnecessary pilot schools
Anonymous	Boulder was a shit show of police "cracking down" on students even

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6/03/2022 10:49 PM in the 90s. This sort of NIMBY law making is what ruins this city. Fuck this idea and all it represents.

Anonymous As more people pack into the city, the noise increases. Limiting it is possibly the only way.

Anonymous if you really want to improve the noise situation, instead of this you should ban gas powered leaf blowers.

Anonymous Leaf blowers and lawn mowers next please.

Anonymous This is an ill-conceived idea.

Anonymous I understand the sentiment of this change, but I would ask that this not be rolled out to the whole city until we understand the pros and cons in a small, affected area like University Hill. A daytime ban discourages neighbors to communicate with one another and instead rely on law enforcement to interact with residents. Because this problem is not city-wide, and is a problem in a few areas of town, I recommend the city begin with a pilot program on the Hill before making recommendations of a change on the Hill. If, in that pilot, it is recommended that a change be made for the entire city, that can be considered as well.

Anonymous Leave people alone.

Anonymous Let's focus our government resources on making Boulder safe again and economically prosperous rather than worrying about the impact of college students--it is, after all, a college town so regulating against our economic reality is simply the wrong focus. With so many empty store-fronts around Boulder wouldn't it makes more sense to focus on revitalization, etc., than making laws that benefit people who moved to the Hill knowing full well it's a college neighborhood who now complain about their neighbors. There's an analogous legal theory called Coming to the Nuisance that is instructive in situations like this one.

Anonymous Please listen to the comments about pilot training planes from other responders. It is maddening really.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 11:14 AM

So this is, "I hate college students - the ordinance," basically? How the hell would a noise ordinance have done anything to prevent the "March 6 Incident"? The police already had full power to do something about it and didn't at the time. So now you're just going to make loud music illegal? I'm sorry, what country do we live in again?

Anonymous

6/04/2022 12:39 PM

Keep the complaint based mechanism. If nobody is bothered by it, why make us criminals? If someone is bothered by it, then they can call it in.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 01:45 PM

This is an absurd proposal and it is overly restrictive, and further chips away at the little character boulder has left. The punishment of this ordinance is being taken out on the whole city body for the irresponsible actions of a select few students who probably won't even live in boulder in the upcoming years. Keep boulder at least semi interesting instead of a gentrified sterile dystopia where rich people hoard real estate. Smh

Anonymous

6/04/2022 01:49 PM

The existing law is fine, although it would be fine to just use the state law which imposes a lower maximum volume than Boulder's existing law. Please do not pander to busybodies.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:32 PM

This seems like overreach targeted towards college students. I say let them have fun. Is the city going to cite everyone who rolls through town on a loud motorcycle? People using leaf blowers?

Anonymous

6/04/2022 02:42 PM

Amplified sound is not the problem. Leaf blowers, lawn mowers, and other gas-powered lawn equipment are the problem. Please consider instead limiting the sale and/or use of these incredibly loud—to the point of being dangerous—machines.

Anonymous

6/04/2022 05:52 PM

This seems like some sort of footloose plot point. Did someone on the city council have some flowers die and they are blaming their neighbors music? This seems like one of the dumbest laws since I moved here twelve years ago. This city has changed so much for the worse in that time. Its almost as if people moved here to retire and next want to get rid of the university. If people want a colorado retirement community then they should look elsewhere because boulder is and will always be a college town with a strong college spirit.

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Anonymous

6/05/2022 05:42 PM

If people would decrease the BASS setting of their 'radio' then the music would be FAR less bothersome. Bass waves travel farther and penetrate deeper! People can learn how to decrease bass for outdoor parties by reading the owner's manual—even online. I was thus able to adjust down the bass setting of my Bose SoundTouch radio so I could listen to news/music in my house with the windows open. Can't hear my radio outside now, even with the volume turned up a bit :) Booming BASS is inescapable noise pollution when the bass is turned up, even when the volume is turned down after a complaint. As population density increases, we must be increasingly considerate of our neighbors' precious home space and turn down the bass, or buy and install sound insulation—AND check to make sure it is used correctly and effective! Then there's the matter of mega bass speakers in cars with open windows....dangerous and annoying.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 12:15 PM

5% off heart attacks are brought on by noise. Need enforcement against loud cars and motorcycles at all hours.

Anonymous

6/06/2022 01:05 PM

that this is a bad idea and whomever listened to some old crank that wonders why Boulder ain't the way it used to be back in the 70s needs to learn how to say "hey, let's maybe not do this"

Anonymous

6/06/2022 01:52 PM

I do not support this initiative

Anonymous

6/07/2022 06:11 AM

We LOVE our students that live in the neighborhood, but sometimes things get out of hand, so it's important to have some rules so it's a level playing field.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 05:52 AM

Many other noise issues should be addressed such as mufflers, vehicle sound systems, gas leaf blowers etc. Thanks

Anonymous

6/08/2022 11:48 AM

Please can you campaign with CU Boulder students about the dangers of setting off fireworks in our high fire risk location. As a family who moved to the Hill in 2018, we have one child at Flatirons and would love to see Boulder City putting more incentives into encouraging more families moving to Boulder to purchase homes on the Hill, these are lovely family homes that have been trashed by students. If Boulder could de-incentivize landlords (perhaps raising the rental H&S standard of all rental homes) which would require significant investment e.g replace fire hazards such as knob/tube

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electrical, repairs to staircases/balconies which are rotten, standardized fire prevention - eg hard-wired smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, restriction of illegal bedrooms in poorly insulated with no heat source bedrooms (e.g converted basement and garage rooms). If rentals were not so profitable then these homes would be sold and more families could purchase these homes and help rejuvenate the Hill.

Anonymous

6/08/2022 12:38 PM

I worry that two hundred feet allows someone to be pretty noisy. For instance, if I am a hundred feet away from the amplified music, my windows are closed and fans are running, and it is day time, and I am hearing the bass--what are my options? Can I then fall back on an appeal to "peaceful enjoyment of everyday life"? I worry that noise from cars is not in the ordinance, as they also degrade quality of life. And, having just learned that city council wants to delay consideration, I am entirely devastated. What does this mean? Houses are going up for sale NOW. This is not a time to delay, but a time to act. I would like you to know that people in this neighborhood are probably much more supportive of real affordable housing than anywhere else in Boulder. The problem is rentals.

Anonymous

6/10/2022 12:43 AM

The loud lawnmowers and leaf blowers in my neighborhood are far, far, more loud and annoying than any amplified music I have ever heard in Boulder. I can't play Rachmaninov on a speaker, but my neighbor can ravage every beautiful summer morning with a gas lawnmower? Respectfully... that's absurd.

Anonymous

6/10/2022 02:32 PM

The hours at which is it unreasonable to play loud music inside one's own home are already restricted (11pm to 7am). The proposed changes are a legislative overstep which will alienate the younger populations in the city. If the city is concerned that the frats on University Hill are causing disturbances, there are plenty of options to police those frats which do not include prohibiting harmless activities that some may find annoying. Modified car mufflers and lawn equipment are both much more common sources of loud noise in neighborhoods but nothing is being done about these, leading me to believe this really isn't about the noise.

Anonymous

6/11/2022 02:00 PM

Our homes and yards are right on top of each other due to our zoning. We are already bombarded by light from neighbors' windows, cigarette and pot smoke wafting into our doors and yards, clothes dryer smell wafting across our gardens...it's pretty awful. Taking noise off the list would be amazing. Thank you.

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Anonymous

7/20/2022 02:55 PM

I don't understand this verbiage: "with a measurement of 200 or more feet beyond the property line of the property upon which the loudspeakers are located in a residential district." The correct verbiage should be something like this: "Speakers or noise from loudspeakers should not be heard from beyond the property line." or if you feel you have to give them 100 feet, you could say "Speakers or noise from loudspeakers should not be heard from beyond 100 feet from the property line".

Anonymous

8/11/2022 03:57 AM

30th Street is a residential area, yet drivers treat it like a highway. There is not enough respect for the people who live along 30th Street in terms of quiet driving behavior. These souped-up cars, trucks, and motorcycles are a blight to peaceful enjoyment of home.

Anonymous

8/11/2022 08:59 PM

I think this is a great idea. The peaceful and quiet enjoyment of one's home is so important.

Anonymous

8/12/2022 02:19 PM

I think you should ban gas-powered landscaping in the city, in part because it is so loud - it might even be subject to this ordinance!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 06:46 AM

Could we have and enforce loud cars that drive foothills and Arapahoe endlessly day and night? That is a bigger issue for our neighborhood.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 11:36 AM

I want to thank our police chief for her proactive approach to addressing the myriad of issues we face in our Hill Neighborhood, particularly for instigating the creation of a data base that has given us neighbors the credibility after all these years of trying to bring our situation to the attention of the City Council. I also thank the City Council for providing the resources (support of the HRWG) necessary to move positive action forward.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 11:49 AM

Quantitative measures of noise are not spelled out.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:05 PM

Most students make wonderful neighbors. But the few who throw noisy, alcohol-drenched parties are destroying the Hill. This noise ordinance, IF ENFORCED, would help persuade the rowdy students to move elsewhere.

Anonymous

Parties here are loud as fuck. I am a permanent resident of this

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8/13/2022 12:10 PM

neighborhood and am sick of a new group of students moving in each year with no regard for their neighbors, and treating the neighborhood like a trashcan.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:13 PM

The extreme amount this summer, especially the gunfire and fireworks also produce fear of uncontrollable fires and the inability to sleep reasonably undisturbed.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:18 PM

Just pass the ordinance.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:19 PM

It is literally every single night. More so during the school year, but even in the summer, the fireworks (and gun shots on July 4th). We cannot sleep with our windows open and are using AC more as a result. I want you to know the neighborhood had suffered long enough. Please institute this noise ordinance asap

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:45 PM

Hopefully this will be a first positive step in resolving an important issue that has been overlooked for the past 20 years.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:45 PM

The proposed noise ordinance should be just a first step in restoring order to the University Hill that in addition to having headline-making riots and disorderly parties is the site of countless middle of the night fireworks explosions and drunken parties that waken residents from deep sleep. This ordinance is so important to me that any city council member that votes against it will almost certainly not receive my vote in the next election.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:49 PM

I love this neighborhood and have lived here since I was an infant. I know it will always be different, but things have gotten seriously out of hand, let's turn it around, onward!!!!!!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 12:50 PM

We live here too. Appreciate friendliness, questions, reasonable comments, jokes. Asking for help or asking to help. Smiles

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:05 PM

The hill neighbourhood is perfectly located for families with Flatirons Elementary ideally situated to cope with more children/capacity. We would love to see Boulder de-incentive landlords profiting from high rents and zero investment/allowing all the property to decline/become extremely run down and instead, spread student housing across Boulder and dilute this 'hill party reputation'. The entire area which

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has to endure parties, urination on our property, music, fireworks, inconsiderate parking, abuse of our trash, chalking on house exteriors, couches/trash dumping and unreasonable sound all through night from returning from parties are fed up of this behaviour which seems to be been tolerated without consequence for too long.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:10 PM

I think it's imperative for us all to remember the invaluable connection of a respectful community.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:19 PM

I'd like you to make passing this legislation a priority. Then, move on to other actions, both legislatively and non. The City Manager's office needs to be much more proactive about code enforcement on the Hill. In addition, please take action against property owners of regularly abusive properties. Thank you.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:19 PM

I appreciate that the city is, after many years, responding to the residents of the hill area. Far too long we have felt overlooked. Needless to say, we are happy that you are finally addressing one of our major concerns. Thank you.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 01:24 PM

I appreciate that the city is, after many years, responding to the residents of the hill area. Far too long we have felt overlooked. Needless to say, we are happy that you are finally addressing one of our major concerns. Thank you.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:00 PM

I have lived on the hill for 28 years and can say that things have gotten truly out of control. It is in many ways a nightmare to live here now (it makes me sad to say this because I have always loved the hill). The students do what they want with no consequences. I would love to see them receive tickets for noise, trash, and bad behavior. We need help, particularly from absentee landlords who don't live here and have no idea what's going on. The rest of us (i.e. live in home-owners) have to deal with the consequences of their negligent behavior. I would above all love to see absentee landlords fined severely for renting to bad (read: loud, disrespectful, etc.) students. Please help us!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:04 PM

Please consider this for the health of the children and families who choose to call this neighborhood home.

Anonymous

This has been a long time coming, and it will take some time for it to

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settle in. I know that there was a well intentioned plan to delay it in order to allow the students to have a voice when they returned. I think it's important to note that if they were invested in this neighborhood, they would have been here, either physically or virtually when the council was originally to have discussed it. It was short-sighted to pretend that a small representative body of students could speak for future classes. Let's not forget that they are largely guests in our neighborhood. Over the course of their college careers they move to other neighborhoods; they move to other schools. Perhaps some do choose to stay longer term. The council should consider who they represent. Those who live here, vote here, pay taxes here, and care so deeply for their neighbors and their neighborhood. Do your job in protecting all of the neighbors and neighborhoods, whether on the 4th of July, Game Day (parking enforcement!), or any other day.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:29 PM

Excessive noise at all hours takes a heavy toll on our psyches, as well as on our pets and wildlife. It may be helpful to remember that loud and insistent noise has long been used as a potent instrument of torture against prisoners of war.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:39 PM

It is critical that the city takes steps to increase the safety of residents on the Hill. This is one step. The problems related to students on the Hill have increased in recent years. The loud music and large parties are out of control. We are losing families on the Hill as a result.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:44 PM

Thank you for helping us out!

Anonymous

8/13/2022 02:47 PM

Please pass this amended ordinance ASAP.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:15 PM

The city of Boulder and its police department has not, for years now, enforced traffic rules, parking rules that we pay extra charges for, or existing noise and garbage rules. How can we trust that you will now enforce all rules, old or new.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:26 PM

We're very happy with the new ordinances.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:46 PM

I have lived in this neighborhood for 38 years and the past couple of years have been the most egregious yet for noise issues. I have no problems with the noises from Chautauqua, the Hill community area or CU campus. This is never a silent neighborhood. Some noises

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have more impact than others.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:47 PM

Living with the noise is awful - not having ordinances to protect residents is ignorant. Please pass the proposed ordinance.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 03:51 PM

I moved to the Hill because in order to be close to my job at the University. Over the decade I have lived on the Hill, a noticeable increase in the percentage of rental housing in the neighborhood and a decrease in housing for long term residents has negatively impacted the quality of life in the Hill neighborhood. If the current quality of life is to be maintain and/or improved, we must find a better balance between housing for permanent residents and short-term renters.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 04:05 PM

If you enact these rules, please ENFORCE THEM. A big problem is that there seems to be little enforcement. Provide the necessary funding to make this program a success.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 05:25 PM

The city needs to accept that there are various sources of noise, all extremely disruptive to sleep and stress levels. In addition to parties and fireworks, for example, the cars and motorcycles that come tearing up our streets, popping their exhausts. Where is the enforcement??

Anonymous

8/13/2022 05:35 PM

During my 15 years of living on the Hill I've had beer bottles thrown at me, bottles broken in my yard, my scooter defecated on. Not to mention the constant noise and fireworks that go off year round. I love the Hill and our community but it's frustrating that there's no enforcement for the folks that utilize our neighborhood as transient party grounds for a year then move on.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:53 PM

Nothing. Thanks

Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:57 PM

I've lived on the Hill since 1982. The noise has never been as bad as the past couple of years. Years ago, you'd hear fireworks on the 4th of July and then a few for a few days after. There has been virtually no enforcement, so we now have a bad situation that will be difficult to roll back. And if I hear one more person say we need more education, I'm going to scream!! If the kids are bright enough to get into CU, they're bright enough to know that exploding fireworks is illegal, annoying, and a fire danger. This has GOT to end! There are

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also many more daytime parties with loud music. Requests to turn down the music are met with either obscenities, blank stares, or statements that this is a college town and they can do what they want. Seriously.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 07:58 PM

I love this neighborhood, I grew up here and have moved back with two small children and my husband. I am concerned that powerful landlords & the student who rent from them are ruining the family culture of this neighborhood.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 08:05 PM

An update to the noise ordinance wouldn't hurt anyone. The students could still have a wonderful college experience while being a bit more conscientious of their impact, which isn't a bad thing to learn anyways.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 08:15 PM

It is time to take action. Every non-student neighbor on the hill lists student noise as the #1 issue in the neighborhood. Some are considering moving just to get away from uncontrolled student noise. I love living here but acknowledge that I am only one extra rowdy student neighbor away from feeling helpless. This seems unreasonable in such a wonderful neighborhood as the hill. Please support this ordinance to help uni hill be non student friendly. I think the students will still love to rent here - even with some noise regulation.

Anonymous

8/13/2022 08:17 PM

The Hill neighborhood has suffered badly, and the problems have gotten much worse over the past few years. Some of the students living in our neighborhood treat the longterm residents with great disdain and hatred. It gets scary sometimes, but, in general, it is getting difficult to just live. We have built a bunker in our basement for the nights that are out of control. Large fireworks disrupt our sleep all night many nights of the week for much of the year. Our dogs are traumatized. They don't even like to go outside anymore. Then there's the fire danger. We can see the firework firebrands flying over our houses. It's a dangerous situation.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 05:51 AM

hoping you all can help keep the hill a nice place for families as well as students.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 06:46 AM

These issues have not been addressed for many years. Please take action to remedy these problems.

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Anonymous

8/14/2022 07:12 AM

The Hill (and other neighborhoods) have long been suffering due to parties, riots, fireworks and dangerous behavior. There's absolutely no reason that students and full time residents can't live together peacefully and respectfully. This Noise Ordinance Amendment is a step in the right direction.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 07:51 AM

My dog has had to be put on sedatives because of evening firework noise. I can no longer walk her in the evening because she's terrified of the explosions.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 08:06 AM

Major contributors to noise are loud parties and fireworks.

Enforcement is key to any ordinance and that currently seems limited.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 08:57 AM

CU needs to become accountable for the lack of respect their students continue to bring to our family neighborhood.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 09:36 AM

As a 32 year resident of the Hill, the quality of life has significantly degraded because CU has not provided adequate housing for its growing enrollment. The effect is that it is driving out families to the demise of the local elementary schools. So sad.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 09:41 AM

This proposed ordinance is a common sense change to the current noise ordinance. We strongly encourage council to take positive steps to improve the public safety of the community by passing this ordinance.

Anonymous

8/14/2022 10:56 AM

The large and loud gatherings on the University Hill are frequently in rental properties. The landlords of these properties (I am a landlord) rely on current rental licenses for income. Leases (like the ones used by Fox Management) prohibits furniture or ping pong tables in the front yard. Enforcement of existing nuisance regulations pressure landlords to tighten the language in their leases, and requiring such restrictions on tenant behavior provides a tool for landlords to evict unruly tenants before they risk losing their rental license. Thank you, City Council, for considering this suggestion!!!

Anonymous

8/14/2022 02:18 PM

See above. Thank you for considering how to turn the tide from increasingly uninhabitable to increasingly desirable. I am one of the "normally quiet" voices (we have so many repetitive complainers trying to make an impact). I wouldn't be surprised if this appears to those listening as a vocal minority. However, I expect that most long

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term residents on the hill (like me) would agree that habitability has been on a steady decline.

Anonymous
8/14/2022 03:11 PM

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Anonymous
8/14/2022 05:26 PM

The idea of all noise being equal seems unreasonable. Noise restrictions should reflect a difference between day time and night time hours allowing for REASONABLE noise during the day such as kids, students and adults playing, babies crying, dogs barking (within reason), construction, tree trimming, school yards, and small gatherings while targeting loud music especially after 8 PM, fireworks, and gatherings involving more than a typical small gathering.

Anonymous
8/14/2022 05:48 PM

We need this !! Amplified noise can be heard blocks away

Anonymous
8/15/2022 09:46 AM

Calling the police on my neighbors is something I NEVER did in my 50+ years prior to moving to the University Hill neighborhood, and now I have lost track of how many times it was necessary for me to report conditions that make it impossible for a person with average hearing to sleep or conditions that threaten the fire safety of everyone.

Anonymous
8/15/2022 12:35 PM

The noise from firecrackers is not only disturbing for humans but also for animals.

Optional question (92 response(s), 30 skipped)

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