

ATTACHMENT 3

Summary of All Public Comments Received

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Gloria Sitton

From: Jeanne Snapp <jeanne.moss.snapp@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 09, 2021 8:21 AM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]For City Council Meeting November 9, Docket Item 30, Noise Ordinance Work Session

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Please vote against measures in the Noise Ordinance that support greater noise in our beautiful city. I can't imagine why we townspeople would want to experience higher levels of noise throughout our community.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Jeanne Snapp
517 North Overlook Drive

Sent from my iPhone

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Gloria Sitton

From: Ally Anderson <allyanderson44@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 09, 2021 9:04 AM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]For City Council meeting November 9, 2021 - Docket item 30, Noise Ordinance Work Session

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Dear Mayor and City Council:

As Alexandria residents living right across the street from the Envoy Nursing Home at 900 Virginia Avenue, I am very concerned about Options 1 and 5.

The nursing home benefits the entire community, yet those of us whose houses surround this commercial facility bear the brunt of noise from:

- emergency vehicles and lights flashing, at all hours
- trucks making deliveries in the wee hours
- very large Sysco trucks delivering food
- extra large trash trucks
- massive mowers and leaf blowers
- humongous air conditioning roof unit that can be often heard for several blocks
- slamming car doors and voices of staff during shift changes at 7am and 11pm.

All this is occurring while the nursing home is held by the current ordinance to residential noise limits.

Now up for discussion is Option 1, which would eliminate consideration of the surrounding residential neighborhood and allow the Envoy facility to use the commercial standard, and Option 5, which would raise the Commercial noise limit. We vehemently oppose these changes, which could only add to the noise emanating from across the street. It is only fair that properties completely surrounded by residential uses abide by residential standards.

In contrast, we very much support Option 7, which would ban deliveries between 11pm and 7am. It would be better still if they were banned between 7pm and 7am. Mornings and evenings would be much more pleasant and early-to-bed residents such as small children wouldn't be awakened.

Less noise is better in a residential neighborhood..

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ally Anderson & Jason Burnett
2420 Farm Road

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Gloria Sitton

From: Sunny Yoder <sunnyyoder@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, November 08, 2021 11:19 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Cc: Sunny Yoder
Subject: [EXTERNAL]For City Council meeting November 9, 2021 - Docket Item 30, Noise Ordinance Work Session

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Dear Mayor and Council:

As one of the Alexandria residents whose houses surround the Envoy Nursing Home at 900 Virginia Avenue, I am very concerned about Options 1 and 5.

The nursing home benefits the entire community, yet those of us whose houses surround this commercial facility bear the brunt of noise from:

- emergency vehicles, lights flashing, at all hours,
- trucks making deliveries in the wee hours—beep beep beep!
- very large Sysco trucks delivering food
- extra large trash trucks
- massive mowers and leaf blowers
- and the slamming car doors and voices of staff during shift changes at 7am and 11pm.

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Sunny Yoder
2422 Farm Road

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Gloria Sitton

From: Laura Partee <laura.partee@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 08, 2021 9:09 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Opposition to Option 1 - November 9 City Council work session

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Dear Ms. Sitton,

I am writing to express my opposition to Option 1 of Docket Item 30 of the November 9 City Council work session on noise ordinance. As a resident living directly across the street from an assisted living facility (the Envoy of Alexandria) any increase to noise levels allowed would be to the detriment of my family and fellow property owners in the Braddock Heights neighborhood, especially those within a 1-2 block radius of the facility.

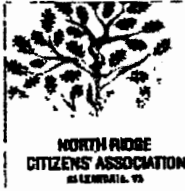
For example, two summers ago, the Envoy had an aging HVAC system on the roof of their property. All summer and the summer before it was replaced, the decibel levels (measured with a decibel reader) averaged at 65-70 of continuous din. It was so uncomfortable, that my family and I could only be outside for short periods of time before the noise drove us inside. Having two small children who love playing in the backyard, this was unacceptable. Neighbors and I complained at the quarterly SUP meetings, and to the City until the unit was replaced. Having lived with that level of noise by a commercial building in a residential area, I can tell you how severely it reduces your quality of life. We could hear that 65-70 decibel aging HVAC not only outside, but indoors as well. It was a constant drone from April to late October.

The stated goal of increasing the vibrancy in commercial areas is not universal throughout the city; an assisted living facility in a residential neighborhood is not doing anything to increase the vibrancy of the neighborhood. This standard should be modified only in areas with businesses such as restaurants, shops, music venues, etc., not for all commercial properties. There are many commercial uses that provide necessary services but do not contribute to the vibrancy of an area and therefore do not need license to increase their noise levels when located in residential areas.

We struggle enough with deliveries and trash pickup throughout the day that give our block an industrial feel that is already out of sync with the neighborhood. We kindly request that you do not apply this type of blanket policy change without considering these unintended consequences to neighbors of one-off commercial properties like that of the Envoy.

Sincerely,
Laura Partee
2423 Central Ave, 22302

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NRCA, P.O. Box 3242, Alexandria, VA 22302

November 6, 2021

Yon Lambert, Director
Department of Transportation and Environmental Services
Alexandria, VA 22314
yon.lambert@alexandriava.gov

Re: Phase II Revision of Noise Ordinance

Dear Mr. Lambert:

North Ridge Citizens' Association appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Transportation and Environmental Services (T&ES) Department's proposed options for revising the noise ordinance. For ease of discussion, we have summarized the options as follows:

1. Replace the "predominant use" criterion with "property use of noise source."
2. Regulate DIY construction to the same hours as other construction.
3. Give responsibility for enforcing neighbor-to-neighbor noise inside buildings to the City, rather than leaving it to building management/condo boards.
4. Establish "plainly audible" as the standard for neighbor-to-neighbor noise from 11 pm to 7 am.
5. Increase the commercial property limit from 60 to 65 dB (day).
6. Allow less restrictive noise standards via a SUP.
7. Prohibit loading, unloading, and delivery between 11 pm and 7 am if within 500 ft of a residential area.
8. Expand "noise in public places" rules from the central business district to the entire City.
9. Remove the 75 dB limit on lawn and garden power equipment, or only control by hours/days of the week.
10. Increase civil penalties for violations.

First and foremost, the quality of life in Alexandria is not enhanced by noise. The City should take steps to reduce noise as much as reasonably possible. And, at a minimum, any proposal to weaken noise protections should be strictly scrutinized and considered only where absolutely necessary to enhance our citizens' quality of life. For these reasons, we oppose Options 1, 5, 6, and 9 and support Options 2, 4, 7, 8, and 10. We take no position on Option 3.

OPPOSE:

Option 1—We strenuously oppose Option 1 because it would remove consideration of the predominant use of the immediate surrounding neighborhood in setting noise limits. While we recognize that there may be a rare instance where the predominant use might be difficult to determine, in the vast majority of cases (such as single-family-zoned residential areas) there is no ambiguity and no reason to weaken the requirement.

When a commercial, institutional, or industrial facility is entirely surrounded by residential properties, the residential noise limits should absolutely prevail, as they currently do. An even stronger case can be made when a commercial or institutional property is inserted into a residential neighborhood through the SUP process.

Further, “predominant use” is a common-sense term employed in other contexts in the City zoning ordinance, as well as in other contexts such as tax law. All these reasons counsel against deleting it as a criterion.

Options 5 and 6—We strongly oppose Option 5, which would increase the noise limit for commercial properties, and Option 6, which would make it possible to increase noise limits beyond the levels provided in the ordinance through the SUP process. The attractiveness of Alexandria as a place to live is not improved by more noise. Also, allowing increased noise would exacerbate and increase the frequency of disputes between neighbors, which are already on the rise due to increased density and reduced setbacks allowed by the City.

Option 9—Option 9 would delete the 75 dB limit on lawn and garden power equipment—apparently because the noise made by this kind of equipment routinely exceeds 75 dB—and instead only limit its use to certain hours of the day. We oppose this weakening of the current requirements. Moreover, the City should begin a process that ultimately could lead to banning the commercial use of such equipment. Not only are the two-stroke gasoline engines that power them extremely loud, they pollute the air—hardly consistent with the idea of a “green” city.

SUPPORT:

Options 2, 4, 7, 8, and 10—NRCA supports these options, which would further restrict noise in the City. We agree that noise-producing do-it-yourself (DIY) projects should be limited to the same hours as projects done by contractors (Option 2), and that “plainly audible” is an appropriate standard for neighbor-to-neighbor noise in residential neighborhoods between 11 pm and 7 pm. The 11 pm “cutoff” time actually is quite late for residents such as those with young children who have early bedtimes and those who would like to enjoy a quiet evening outdoors.

In the middle of the night, the noise of truck engines and slamming doors, and their backup beep, beep, beep, is enough to make anyone sit straight-up in bed. Thus, we strongly support Option 7, which would prohibit loading, unloading, and deliveries between the hours of 11 pm and 7 am. Further, we encourage the City to consider starting the no-delivery period earlier, e.g. 7 pm. This would still allow a 12-hour window for loading, unloading, and deliveries, while affording residents an opportunity to enjoy quiet evenings before bedtime.

We support Option 8 that would apply existing limits on noise from City-owned facilities in the central business district to the rest of the City.

We concur with Option 10 which would increase the civil monetary penalties for violations of the sound ordinance. We also ask that the City explicitly address the issue of enforcement as it considers these changes. Will the City commit the necessary staff and other enforcement resources? If residents cannot count on the City to enforce its rules, there is no purpose in enacting them.

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In addition, we ask that the City consider converting (or requiring the conversion of) trash and recycling collection trucks to electric-only. Like leaf blowers, the noise from these trucks is horrendous. These trucks also are big polluters.

NRCA looks forward to engaging with you and your staff and with the City Council as these discussions move toward final action.

Sincerely,



John Fehrenbach
President

cc: City Council
Mayor

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11-9-21

Gloria Sitton

From: Kyle King <kbking23@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 08, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Gloria Sitton; Sunny Yoder; Carla Schneier
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Noise ordinance change

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Hi Gloria. I apologize for the last minute nature of this note but it pertains to this evening's discussion of proposed changes being contemplated by the Council and I initially wrote to Alex311.

My comment original note pertained to my strong opposition to a proposal that will allow commercial establishments located in residential neighborhoods to generate more noise. A survey about this matter was poorly advertised and did not give residents a chance to speak out. I live across the street from a commercial care facility that already has to be constantly reminded of noise and other SUP requirements that allow it to operate in a residential neighborhood. Please don't make this situation worse....Kyle King. 2500 Central Ave. Kbking23@yahoo.com

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Khoa Tran

From: Catharine Rice <catharine.rice@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 11:04 AM
To: Khoa Tran
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Noise ordinance change

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Dear Mr. Hoadinh:

I have provided feedback on the noise ordinance changes. In June 2019, I participated in a number of the public feedback sessions. I heard many people say the same thing I was saying -- please limit the hours when powered lawn equipment can be used. But your 10 options exclude any mention of this requested change, in essence, just ignoring and keeping in place the 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. hours. Is there a legal reason you are keeping those hours?

Please consider changing the powered lawn equipment hours to this:

Mon-Saturday - 9 a.m. - 6pm
Sunday - NO POWERED Lawn use.

I provided more detail in my response,
Many thanks for your consideration,
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Khoa Tran

From: Catharine Rice <catharine.rice@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 8:00 AM
To: Justin Wilson; John Chapman; Del Pepper; Elizabeth Bennett-Parker; Canek Aguirre; Amy Jackson; Mo Seifeldin
Cc: Khoa Tran
Subject: Re: For Dec 14: Please restrict gas powered lawn equipment hours

When you receive and discuss the Noise ordinance on Dec 14, **please recommend reducing the hours when gas powered lawn equipment can be used.** During the council's noise discussion on Nov 9th, one council member seemed to reject the notion of limiting gas-powered hours because she thought it was a good thing that landscaping companies can start early and make more money. In fact, **we aren't saying they can't start early. We are saying that if they start before 9 a.m. they can only use electric powered lawn equipment (or manual tools).** Starting early in the summer to protect the workers' health also lacks credibility when you read about the gas powered leaf blower's detrimental health impacts.

Our recommendation is:
Instead of Monday-Friday 7am -9pm
Change this to Monday -Friday 9 am - 7pm.

Instead of from Saturday and Sunday 9 am to 9pm
Change this to Saturday & Sunday 12-6pm

Staff were instructed on Nov 9th to research limits other communities are imposing. The District of Columbia and California have banned gas powered leaf blowers, along with 100 others who have regulated or banned same.

Thank you for always listening and considering this solution.

PHASE II REVISION

SURVEYMONKEY FEEDBACK FORM QUESTIONNAIRE

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Q1 What is your ZIP code? (home or business)

Answered: 358 Skipped: 1

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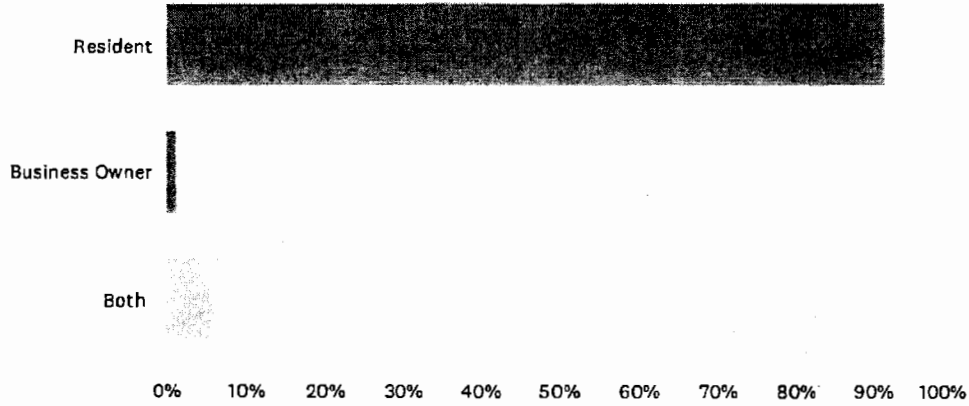
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Q2 Are you a City resident, business owner, or both?

Answered: 358 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES

Resident

Business Owner

Both

TOTAL

RESPONSES

91.62%

1.40%

6.98%

328

5

25

358

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Q3 Please provide an email address if you would like to receive future correspondence on this survey and the revised noise ordinance being developed.

Answered: 237 Skipped: 122

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3	neeta@classicalmovements.com	10/22/2021 5:14 PM
4	damato.chris@gmail.com	10/22/2021 5:07 PM
5	plass_cora@yahoo.com	10/22/2021 3:18 PM
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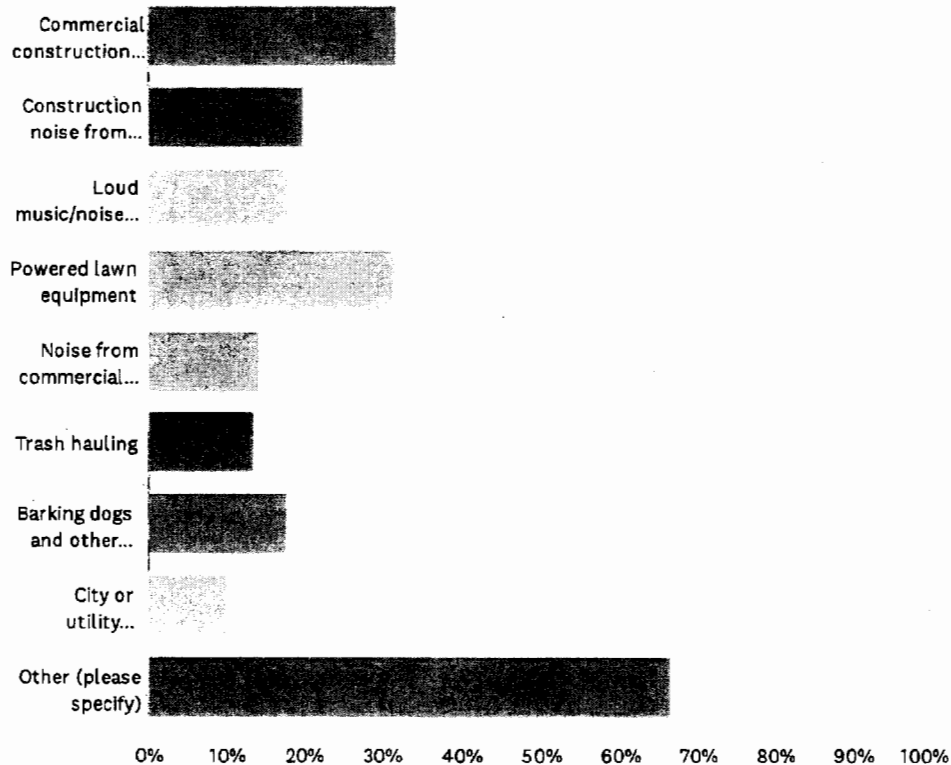
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230	pedeef48@gmail.com	9/21/2021 11:59 AM
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232	emilyallen5588@yahoo.com	9/21/2021 11:56 AM
233	vineetaa@gmail.com	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
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237	olegbulshteyn@hotmail.com	9/19/2021 12:44 PM

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Q4 What are the top three noise issues in the City that you encountered during the last three years? Please choose three of the following options.

Answered: 359 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Commercial construction site noise	32.03%	115
Construction noise from neighbors	20.06%	72
Loud music/noise from neighbors	17.83%	64
Powered lawn equipment	31.48%	113
Noise from commercial establishments	14.21%	51
Trash hauling	13.65%	49
Barking dogs and other animal noises	17.83%	64
City or utility companies' activities/projects	10.31%	37
Other (please specify)	66.57%	239
Total Respondents: 359		

OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)

DATE

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1	Cars with mufflers removed or loud engines	10/22/2021 11:21 PM
2	Car/motorcycle	10/22/2021 9:05 PM
3	Train horn	10/22/2021 7:17 PM
4	Harassment and retaliating loud/music/noise from residential neighbor when operating under approved SUP	10/22/2021 5:14 PM
5	Trains, airplanes/helicopters, vehicle (car, truck, motorcycle)	10/22/2021 3:27 PM
6	Vent pipe noise emitting from water heaters located on the balconies the condo units where I live. The pipes point toward bedroom windows and are very loud making it impossible for me to sleep in my bedroom..	10/22/2021 3:18 PM
7	Sirens on Duke Street	10/22/2021 2:32 PM
8	Georges Lane noise - Whole Foods fans, Whole Foods equipment (mezzanine), Whole Foods vendor trucks that idle, SHRM Office exhaust pipe which creates noise and diesel output from their parking garage (when generator goes off), SHRM generator, SHRM contractors arriving early and on weekends for construction and renovation projects, SHRM shredding vendor	10/22/2021 2:28 PM
9	commercial construction site noise; city or utility Co. activities/projects; unregulated traffic noise(police) from speeding cars/trucks and loud mufflers.	10/22/2021 12:43 PM
10	Cars and motorcycles with modified exhaust systems	10/22/2021 11:02 AM
11	Car noise	10/22/2021 9:48 AM
12	Airplane traffic, loud cars	10/22/2021 9:41 AM
13	Airlines	10/22/2021 8:18 AM
14	City emergency vehicles	10/22/2021 8:04 AM
15	airplane noise	10/22/2021 7:57 AM
16	Motorcycles & loud cars	10/22/2021 7:56 AM
17	Open or aftermarket exhausts on vehicles and motorcycles frequently (several per hour) traveling on Seminary Road. I have measured many at 100 decibels. In addition, heavy trucks using "Jake" brakes decelerating on Seminary and Beauregard in West Alexandria, clearly against ordinances, and there are no city signs at the borders indicating this practice is illegal.	10/22/2021 6:24 AM
18	Delivery truck noise, mixed use commercial noise, lawn work	10/21/2021 10:21 PM
19	noise from industrial zone on Wheeler Ave, which abuts a purely residential neighborhood.	10/21/2021 10:06 PM
20	Train horn especially at night. I see no reason for trains to sound their horns. Most of the tracks are elevated and one can hear the train coming without horns. It's even obnoxious from inside the train too.	10/21/2021 9:59 PM
21	Trains in the Carlyle neighborhood	10/21/2021 9:05 PM
22	Racing cars, loud mufflers all day and night!	10/21/2021 8:03 PM
23	Noise from Whole Foods Deliveries as when the building was in the planning stages, Staff neglected noise from the trucks and instead focused ONLY on Duke Street traffic noise.	10/21/2021 7:27 PM
24	Very loud concerts in nearby park.	10/21/2021 6:41 PM
25	Train noise	10/21/2021 6:10 PM
26	Planes	10/21/2021 5:57 PM
27	drag racing, noisy mufflers	10/21/2021 4:43 PM
28	Flights from National that now start earlier and end later.	10/21/2021 4:25 PM
29	Cars with loud exhaust systems	10/21/2021 4:05 PM
30	Aircraft noise	10/21/2021 4:03 PM
31	Noise from vehicles on streets (exhaust, music, etc.)	10/21/2021 3:56 PM

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32	"Buskers" on King Street, you know, sidewalk musicians etc.	10/21/2021 3:34 PM
33	Un muffled am and pm old vehicle revving after the traffic light at The Thornton apts. I've even put in new windows at my Porto Vecchio apt	10/21/2021 3:20 PM
34	Airplane takeoffs have moved from the center of the river to right over houses in SE old town	10/21/2021 2:57 PM
35	people revving/racing loud vehicles at night	10/21/2021 2:54 PM
36	Airplane traffic (esp. take-offs	10/21/2021 2:44 PM
37	495 Traffic/Racing	10/21/2021 1:27 PM
38	Whole foods delivery trucks	10/21/2021 1:00 PM
39	Train horns passing under Duke St	10/21/2021 9:23 AM
40	Train whistles on Northbound trains as they enter tunnel under Duke Street	10/21/2021 9:15 AM
41	Gun range	10/21/2021 8:42 AM
42	Drag racing.	10/21/2021 7:37 AM
43	train horns	10/21/2021 6:20 AM
44	Whole Foods trucks and mech. equipment so I cant open the doors/windows nor enjoy my balcony due to tremendous noise	10/20/2021 10:40 PM
45	None	10/20/2021 10:39 PM
46	Trains that blow their horns	10/20/2021 10:21 PM
47	Train horn noise	10/20/2021 8:47 PM
48	Aircraft	10/20/2021 7:43 PM
49	train horn	10/20/2021 7:36 PM
50	Trains - primarily operators leaning on the horn, maintains the noise for longer time than necessary.	10/20/2021 7:17 PM
51	Train horns; ambulances	10/20/2021 7:08 PM
52	Train horns from Amtrak, Virginia Railway Express, and Metro	10/20/2021 7:05 PM
53	Excessive Train horn noise from freight and passenger trains	10/20/2021 6:40 PM
54	Train horns	10/20/2021 5:54 PM
55	TRAIN HORN NOISE!!	10/20/2021 5:44 PM
56	Train horn noise	10/20/2021 5:22 PM
57	Train noises. Almost every afternoon at 430, loud horns.	10/20/2021 4:43 PM
58	Train whistles throughout the night	10/20/2021 4:09 PM
59	Train horns	10/20/2021 4:03 PM
60	Train horn from Alexandria stations	10/20/2021 3:44 PM
61	Trains	10/20/2021 3:22 PM
62	Metro subway trains above ground at Carlyle Towers	10/20/2021 2:55 PM
63	Train Horn - King Street	10/20/2021 2:09 PM
64	Train horns	10/20/2021 1:56 PM
65	train horns	10/20/2021 1:49 PM
66	TRAIN HORNS	10/20/2021 1:37 PM
67	Train horns, very loud and sustained	10/20/2021 12:53 PM

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68	Noise from cars/traffic	10/20/2021 12:33 PM
69	drive-thru motorcyclists turn up their volume to high when they cruise thru town & drag racing vehicles coming from the Wilson Bridge race thru streets late at night	10/20/2021 12:11 PM
70	train horns	10/20/2021 11:26 AM
71	Horns on trains every time they get close to Alexandria Union Station	10/20/2021 11:23 AM
72	Train horns approaching King Street station	10/20/2021 11:02 AM
73	Train horn noise	10/20/2021 10:48 AM
74	all of these noises are just common noises and ordinary living situations, some neighbors complain about the trains in Carlyle the trains were here long before those people moved in they should move or deal with it.	10/20/2021 10:40 AM
75	Trains	10/20/2021 10:32 AM
76	trains	10/20/2021 10:31 AM
77	Train horn noise	10/20/2021 10:31 AM
78	Train noise, especially warning blasts, at the Duke St underpass.	10/20/2021 10:27 AM
79	Train horns	10/20/2021 10:26 AM
80	train horns	10/20/2021 10:22 AM
81	train and metro	10/20/2021 10:19 AM
82	Train horns	10/20/2021 10:11 AM
83	Trains	10/20/2021 10:06 AM
84	Since noise can have devastating effects on health, it is desirable to eliminate horns sounding on trains approaching and departing the Alexandria Union Station.	10/19/2021 11:22 PM
85	Duke Street traffic	10/19/2021 8:42 PM
86	Amtrak/CSX/Metro blowing their train horns	10/19/2021 6:56 PM
87	loud cars/motorcycles	10/19/2021 5:07 PM
88	railroad (CSX, AMTRAK and VRE) train horn noise	10/19/2021 4:42 PM
89	specifically gas powered leaf blowers	10/19/2021 3:56 PM
90	Loud cars	10/19/2021 3:05 PM
91	NOISE FROM LOUD SPEEDING CARS ON S LEE /DUKE	10/19/2021 1:47 PM
92	Metro and train horns	10/19/2021 1:42 PM
93	train horn King St station	10/19/2021 1:25 PM
94	Train Horns	10/19/2021 1:01 PM
95	Train horns	10/19/2021 12:44 PM
96	None this is nonsense we are a community with typical noise	10/19/2021 12:20 PM
97	train noise, particularly very loud wistle/horn blowing at all hours	10/19/2021 12:14 PM
98	Train Horns	10/19/2021 11:54 AM
99	Train whistles early in the morning.	10/19/2021 11:52 AM
100	Trains blaring horns	10/19/2021 11:46 AM
101	Trains (Amtrak, VRE, metro, freight)	10/19/2021 11:43 AM
102	cars and motorcycles without mufflers – throughout Old Town but also on the Woodrow Wilson bridge, which we hear despite being four blocks away. Also leaf blowers are a huge problem.	10/19/2021 11:34 AM

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103	Train horns from VRE, Commercial, Amtrak at King Street station	10/19/2021 11:25 AM
104	Train whistle	10/19/2021 11:20 AM
105	Excessive train horns Cars modified to increase noise and motorcycles	10/19/2021 11:19 AM
106	There is construction of a joint Wegmans & apartment building on Mill Rd which is frequently very loud during the night, for hours. My children and I have trouble falling asleep due to the noise and bright lights, even with windows closed and shades drawn. We also have issue with the metro train horns repeatedly sounding as trains pass. I do NOT mind 1-2 toots of the horn as they pass by. Done trains toot 5-8 times while passing, other trains blare their horns constantly for 10+seconds. It would be nice if they could just toot the horns a couple times, I'm not sure why more than a couple toots or long-holding of horns is necessary for safety? If it's for safety reasons that's OK, but since only some of the trains do it I feel it's probably not for safety.	10/19/2021 11:13 AM
107	Noise from train horns: some of the train drivers make a point of blowing the horn loudly as they approach Alexandria Union Station and as they come under the Duke Street underpass area.	10/19/2021 11:13 AM
108	Trains honking in and out of tunnels all the time. Some just lay on the horn for 5 seconds or longer multiple times as they pass	10/19/2021 11:01 AM
109	Railroad trains, Metro trains	10/19/2021 10:59 AM
110	Train horns	10/19/2021 10:57 AM
111	Trains blowing horns	10/19/2021 10:48 AM
112	Train horns	10/19/2021 10:44 AM
113	Amtrak, Commercial Train and VRE Train Honking Noise Heading North into the station	10/19/2021 10:43 AM
114	Train horns	10/19/2021 10:41 AM
115	Noise from train horns approaching Alexandria station (Amtrak, Freight trains)	10/19/2021 10:41 AM
116	Train horns vicinity Alexandria Amtrak Station and King Street Metro Station	10/19/2021 10:40 AM
117	None - train horns are necessary for safety!	10/19/2021 10:35 AM
118	Since noise can have devastating effects on health, it is desirable to eliminate horns sounding on trains approaching and departing the Alexandria Station.	10/19/2021 10:32 AM
119	Train horns	10/19/2021 10:18 AM
120	Metro and Train Horns	10/19/2021 10:15 AM
121	VRE and Amtrak unnecessary use of horns. In particular blowing horns very loud and long when approaching the King Street station. Also do not understand why horns are used when departing the station. Totally crazy and abusive use of the horns.	10/19/2021 10:10 AM
122	Trains horns	10/19/2021 10:10 AM
123	Train and metro noise from horns	10/19/2021 10:06 AM
124	train whistles during the entire day including night time hours	10/19/2021 10:01 AM
125	Train noise - whistles and long, heavy trains	10/19/2021 10:01 AM
126	1. Train horns sounding starting 5:30 AM at Duke Street underpass as they head East towards station. 2. CONSTANT call king of vehicle horns as drivers turn right from Callahan Drive to Duke Street. Drivers do not realize they can turn right on red if no pedestrians are in the crosswalk. Traffic sign there is misleading.	10/19/2021 9:59 AM
127	Trains	10/19/2021 9:59 AM
128	Train horns	10/19/2021 9:56 AM
129	Train horns	10/19/2021 9:56 AM
130	Train Horns, unnecessarily loud in a city, used when trains approach the Duke Street underpass/Alexandria Train Station. They are plenty loud enough without needing to blow a	10/19/2021 9:53 AM

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	horn.	
131	the train horns on arrival to alexandria train station are loud and unnecessary. some train operators sound the horns for extremely long periods of time.	10/19/2021 9:53 AM
132	Train Horns - Street musicians - Motorcycles & cars with modified mufflers.	10/19/2021 9:50 AM
133	Racing cars	10/19/2021 3:44 AM
134	Very loud cars	10/18/2021 9:04 PM
135	Extremely loud traffic, racing motors, poor mufflers.	10/18/2021 7:47 PM
136	Noise from unmuffled cars	10/18/2021 6:18 PM
137	Emergency firetrucks and ambulances	10/18/2021 6:16 PM
138	Motorcycles, muscle cars with mufflers tuned very loud	10/18/2021 5:02 PM
139	Air Traffic from National Airport	10/18/2021 4:38 PM
140	Airplane traffic.	10/18/2021 4:25 PM
141	Businesses violating the noise rules within their SUP	10/18/2021 8:09 AM
142	Sirens	10/17/2021 10:36 PM
143	Emergency vehicles	10/17/2021 10:31 PM
144	Two more votes for noise from local businesses (and MANY challenges working with the businesses and City to remedy them)	10/17/2021 10:20 PM
145	cars or motorcycles driving unnecessarily fast/revving engines/loud mufflers	10/17/2021 10:12 AM
146	Citizen's with loud speakers in public places with no permit, very loud "fake" Church bell speakers	10/13/2021 10:24 PM
147	Neighborhood get-togethers are great	10/12/2021 4:50 PM
148	Whole foods delivery trucks deliver at all times of day and night	10/12/2021 4:10 PM
149	Would love a ban on gas-powered lawn equipment, especially leaf blowers. Outdoor noise from nearby Hops 'n Shine disturbs neighborhood children's sleep.	10/12/2021 3:48 PM
150	Tree removal/chipping	10/11/2021 8:32 PM
151	Aircraft	10/11/2021 5:23 AM
152	Mostly street performers, who keep going after 10 pm all days o the week. Most of us have to go to work in the morning. Also, people driving motorcycles or cars BLASTING their music, where we can hear it 7 stories up!	10/8/2021 3:13 PM
153	aircraft noise	10/8/2021 3:11 PM
154	Music played at corner of king and union street	10/6/2021 10:45 PM
155	Use of amplifiers by individual speakers on the street	10/6/2021 9:26 AM
156	cars/motorcycles with modified mufflers	10/5/2021 10:12 PM
157	helicopters and car exhaust systems	10/4/2021 12:18 PM
158	Noise from passenger vehicles with modified or no mufflers.	10/2/2021 5:25 AM
159	Illegal fireworks being set off throughout the year.	10/1/2021 12:28 PM
160	Low flying Helicopters even at 11 PM and drag racers without mufflers on 395	9/30/2021 4:01 PM
161	Vehicles	9/30/2021 9:49 AM
162	Traffic, planes	9/29/2021 1:34 PM
163	airplanes	9/29/2021 11:31 AM
164	Street performers	9/28/2021 7:55 PM

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165	Powered cleaning equipment (such as commercial carpet cleaning trucks, power washers, etc)	9/28/2021 7:44 PM
166	Vehicle mufflers; motorcycle noise; noise from vehicles racing on city streets and Beltway	9/28/2021 5:30 PM
167	Noise on the boardwalk behind my home.	9/27/2021 5:07 PM
168	Buskers on the corner of Union and King Streets who use amplification and large Brass Bands. Also the revving of motor bird and cars without exhaust silencers	9/27/2021 4:36 PM
169	VEHICLES - drag racing and radios	9/27/2021 10:42 AM
170	DASH/METRO/REX buses 34 ft from residential windows; drumming circle at Alexandria Garden on Fridays without permit; Leaf blowers with loud decibel operating before 8 am	9/26/2021 8:05 PM
171	Loud cars racing down N Washington St in the dead of night -- and often during the day on other streets.	9/26/2021 4:07 PM
172	Airport noise	9/26/2021 1:30 PM
173	Cars and motorcycles with modified or faulty mufflers, and Fire department sirens/horns	9/26/2021 10:04 AM
174	aircraft	9/25/2021 10:46 PM
175	Cars racing with loud mufflers day and night!	9/25/2021 11:05 AM
176	1. Amplified music by street performers and people partying on the waterfront. If business must get a permit for amplified music, street performers should have to as well. 2. Overly loud cars and motorcycles (engine and stereo)	9/25/2021 8:24 AM
177	Street Performers at intersection of King Street & North Union Street	9/24/2021 8:10 PM
178	Truck deliveries to a commercial establishment within my residential neighborhood.	9/24/2021 5:22 PM
179	helicopters and airplane noise pollution is incredible. Somehow Arlington is able to make positive impacts to noise pollution while Alexandria has done nothing. I'm seeing neighbor noise becoming the final straw as more people are fleeing the city.	9/24/2021 12:43 PM
180	Commercial trucks on residential streets	9/24/2021 12:00 PM
181	Loud music from cars	9/24/2021 8:34 AM
182	Loud Vehicles	9/24/2021 5:09 AM
183	Duke St, loud traffic from cars and motorcycle... suggestion lower the speed to 25, sometimes maybe because of absence of police cars and motorcycles pass Duke St high speed making a lot of noise	9/23/2021 8:57 PM
184	Noise from "cruising vehicles" in the Old Town area; extremely loud music, car noise, etc.	9/23/2021 7:43 PM
185	Motorcycles, specifically Rolling Thunder, I live across from Potomac Yards shopping center and every year I would need to leave over Memorial Day weekend due to the 22 hours of high decible noise. This appeared to be intentional by many drivers as they cruised up and down Richmond Highway. That it was announced it would be curtailed left many to rejoice. Hopefully it's canceled for good!	9/23/2021 6:43 PM
186	CSX trains	9/23/2021 3:01 PM
187	Diesel fueled trains	9/23/2021 2:50 PM
188	Roadway noises from vehicles with inappropriately loud emissions/engines, drag racing sounds on 395 corridor.	9/23/2021 1:47 PM
189	Car and motorcycle engine noise	9/23/2021 11:07 AM
190	Muscle cars. Motorcycles.	9/23/2021 10:30 AM
191	Loud vehicles speeding through the neighborhood all parts of the day and night	9/23/2021 3:02 AM
192	Loud cars after midnight. I can hear them on Brenman Park Drive, Duke Street, and even on 495!	9/22/2021 10:48 PM
193	loud cars	9/22/2021 9:25 PM

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194	Cars and trucks traveling on Patrick St. continually violate the noise ordinance throughout the day and night. The violation is especially egregious when the vehicles travel in excess of 25 mph, which accounts for 90% of all vehicles traveling on Patrick St. Why is nothing being done or considered about this issue?	9/22/2021 5:15 PM
195	Noisy, fast cars and motorcycles without adequate sound mufflers	9/22/2021 3:54 PM
196	Speeding traffic, racing on city streets, particularly early morning and late at night.	9/22/2021 3:44 PM
197	Cars and trucks, especially sportscars with modified mufflers	9/22/2021 2:37 PM
198	High-Powered Leaf Blowers used by lawn grooming companies	9/22/2021 1:07 PM
199	1. DCA Flight path has changed and now planes fly right over my house instead of over the river. 2. Cars with modified exhaust (very loud) racing on the approach to the Woodrow Wilson Bridge, and right through the SE quadrant, late at night.	9/22/2021 12:55 PM
200	airplanes flying to and from Reagan airport	9/22/2021 12:32 PM
201	modified engines and loud car & motorcycle noises	9/22/2021 12:13 PM
202	Modified mufflers and drag racing	9/22/2021 11:49 AM
203	none	9/22/2021 11:45 AM
204	helicopter noise	9/22/2021 11:33 AM
205	Trains going well over speed limit despite going through residential areas creating noise vibrations in our house	9/22/2021 10:58 AM
206	Noise from some type of gas or liquid semi truck loading or unloading at the business behind our residential neighborhood. It goes on for hours when they are here.	9/22/2021 8:10 AM
207	Noise from amplified music on lower King St and Waterfront Park	9/22/2021 7:17 AM
208	auto engines	9/22/2021 4:43 AM
209	Commercial delivery trucks (usually 18-wheelers), WMATA buses (over speeds and in evenings), general traffic	9/21/2021 9:36 PM
210	Tree cutting and removal	9/21/2021 6:45 PM
211	There is an ultra noisy car (light blue sedan) that drives along our street almost every day. I think the owner has removed the muffler. It is a terrible nuisance.	9/21/2021 6:07 PM
212	loud cars! they make so much noise at all hours of the night.	9/21/2021 5:05 PM
213	Neighbor's wind chimes	9/21/2021 4:57 PM
214	Loud cars and motorcycles	9/21/2021 4:45 PM
215	Loud motorcycles driven by speeding douchebags	9/21/2021 4:44 PM
216	Drag racing on city streets/Beltway	9/21/2021 4:14 PM
217	Racing cars with straight pipes/glasspacks, particularly in the West End.	9/21/2021 3:38 PM
218	fix the muffler issue. You know what i am talking about. The modified exhausts. I dont care who is driving. At 2 in the morning it is a nuisance. DO YOUR JOB.	9/21/2021 3:10 PM
219	Drag racing, particularly at night. Emergency vehicles using sirens when there is no traffic. Loud music from cars in residential zones.	9/21/2021 2:31 PM
220	Noise from vehicles (loud cars, motorcycles, racing) within the City limits and around the Beltway	9/21/2021 2:22 PM
221	trains to/from the asphalt plant, helicopters flying overhead	9/21/2021 2:20 PM
222	Young men racing souped-up cars with no mufflers on Beauregard St going south from Seminary Rd.	9/21/2021 1:29 PM
223	Airplanes, helicopters, private generators, air conditioning unites	9/21/2021 1:26 PM
224	Traffic noise	9/21/2021 1:19 PM

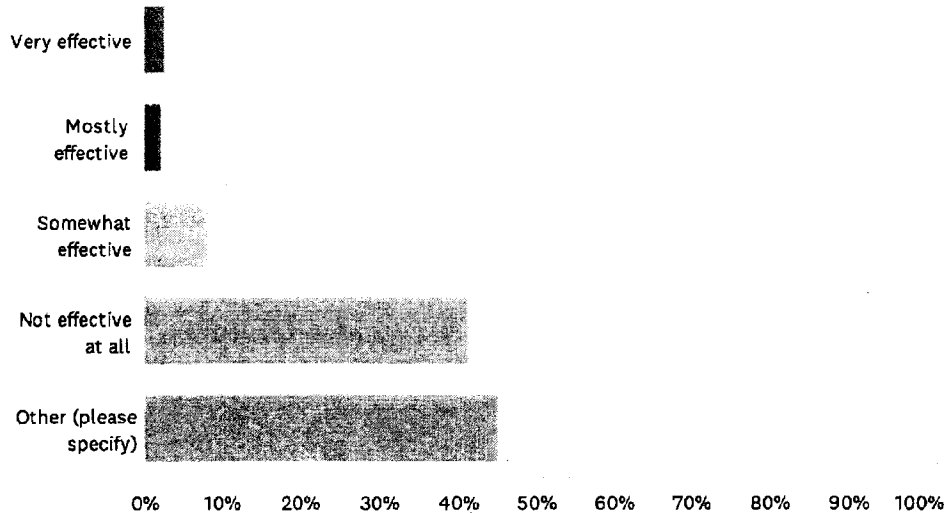
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225	Drag racing	9/21/2021 1:10 PM
226	noise on the streets people outside being loud and why do the police not enforce if they see and drive by why is does a person have to call	9/21/2021 12:57 PM
227	Amplified music at church	9/21/2021 12:55 PM
228	Airplanes	9/21/2021 12:51 PM
229	immature drivers revvvving their car engines at ALL HOURS especially on YOAKUM PARKWAY w no regard for those of us trying to sleep and/or enjoy our balconies during the day/evening hours.	9/21/2021 12:22 PM
230	Aircraft	9/21/2021 12:22 PM
231	Airplanes	9/21/2021 12:15 PM
232	Car noise	9/21/2021 12:13 PM
233	Delivery trucks left running on the street for long periods when making deliveries to retail establishments, especially daily food service deliveries. Uncontrolled noise from very loud neighbors in the condominium complex where I live, with nothing being done to resolve by the board or the management company.	9/21/2021 12:12 PM
234	Racing cars with high decible engine/ exhaust modifications driving 24/7 in neighborhood	9/21/2021 11:59 AM
235	Cars and motorcycles drag racing on Eisenhower Avenue, Braddock Road, Telegraph Road, Rt. 1 and other streets in the city	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
236	Trucks supplying restaurants and hotel and construction sites	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
237	Racing cars on wee hours	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
238	Vehicles	9/21/2021 11:46 AM
239	LOUD screaming/clapping emanating from the Simpson Park soccer fields!	9/19/2021 12:44 PM

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Q5 How effective was the City's response to your noise concerns/complaints during this period? Please choose one option below that is closest to your assessment.

Answered: 336 Skipped: 23



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very effective	2.68%	9
Mostly effective	2.38%	8
Somewhat effective	8.33%	28
Not effective at all	41.37%	139
Other (please specify)	45.24%	152
TOTAL		336

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Not enough ways to report	10/22/2021 11:02 PM
2	need a response - did not do anything about the issue - poor survey construction - seriously - for the next question - I have no idea what 'property use of noise source' means. A definition would be helpful. as well as a Don't know. Again VERY poor survey	10/22/2021 9:05 PM
3	I have not filed a complaint with the city	10/22/2021 5:15 PM
4	The city needs to put pressure on commercial sites (e.g., Whole Foods) in close proximity with residential units to reduce noise levels and ensure compliance. Further, the city should establish policies and incentives to encourage more than just the bare minimum compliance. The city broaden its jurisdiction to protect residents who live in condos and be able to direct condo associations to take action to make areas (even off the street, such as courtyards) comply with the limits established by the city. The city should NOT be play politics to appease a commercial site.	10/22/2021 3:18 PM
5	Other - noise from traffic concerns have to be addressed at that time & not at a time that the	10/22/2021 12:43 PM

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	police show up.	
6	never complained	10/22/2021 11:43 AM
7	Nothing has been done about the predominant sources of noise, at least in my part of the city.	10/22/2021 11:02 AM
8	I didn't log any complaints	10/22/2021 9:55 AM
9	I have not reported to the city. I spoke to the business owners, but they have ignored me.	10/22/2021 9:48 AM
10	No complaints filed	10/22/2021 8:26 AM
11	Did not contact city	10/22/2021 8:18 AM
12	Not applicable	10/22/2021 8:04 AM
13	I didn't complain	10/22/2021 7:57 AM
14	Did not ask city to intervene	10/22/2021 7:56 AM
15	Not happy, but didn't complain to the City.	10/22/2021 7:56 AM
16	Varying between not effective at all to very effective	10/21/2021 10:24 PM
17	Didn't complain	10/21/2021 10:11 PM
18	No opinion.	10/21/2021 9:59 PM
19	If one reads the original DSUP for 1700 Duke Street, you will see that Staff made numerous errors, including the number of available loading bays (they thought it was three) and neglected to study the effect of noise in the REAR of the building. They only concerned themselves with Duke/Holland rather than Georges/Jamieson.	10/21/2021 7:27 PM
20	Unknown	10/21/2021 6:10 PM
21	I did not complain	10/21/2021 5:13 PM
22	Law allowing loud construction at 7 am	10/21/2021 4:25 PM
23	Did not file any complaints	10/21/2021 4:25 PM
24	Did not complain	10/21/2021 3:56 PM
25	Have never complained	10/21/2021 3:20 PM
26	Did not file any complaints	10/21/2021 2:38 PM
27	I did not file any complaints	10/21/2021 1:52 PM
28	Concerns are raised, but deliveries are done regardless of the time of day	10/21/2021 1:00 PM
29	did not complain to the city	10/21/2021 6:20 AM
30	N/A	10/20/2021 10:39 PM
31	Didn't have a complaint	10/20/2021 10:37 PM
32	Did not complain	10/20/2021 7:51 PM
33	I couldn't find enough information on how to make a complaint. This led to not making a complaint.	10/20/2021 7:48 PM
34	Contrary to occasional misinformation there are no state or federal restrictions preventing a local government from prohibiting train horns. There is no evidence based developed from rigorous research that sounding horns prevents human casualties and promote safety.	10/20/2021 6:40 PM
35	Didn't ask	10/20/2021 4:43 PM
36	They give out special use permits which undermines the rules on the books	10/20/2021 4:09 PM
37	I like the train sounds! Let it be. The trains were here long before Carlyle. I resent the nut job here trying to stop the train whistles.	10/20/2021 3:22 PM
38	did not complain	10/20/2021 2:55 PM

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39	Have not complained	10/20/2021 1:37 PM
40	I expressed no concerns and made no complaints.	10/20/2021 12:33 PM
41	I understand there have been numerous complaints about racing cars, & it seems the problem has not been abated.	10/20/2021 12:11 PM
42	This is the first time I'm participating so have no history to share.	10/20/2021 11:48 AM
43	I have not complained to the City.	10/20/2021 11:18 AM
44	NO problems	10/20/2021 10:40 AM
45	I didn't lodge a complaint, until now.	10/20/2021 10:22 AM
46	Did not submit complaints	10/20/2021 10:11 AM
47	Question * is not Yes / No. It should be left to the HOA or UOA, not the city, Sound is measure by SOUND POWER or Sound PRESSURE.. If Sound pressure then the distance should be provided. Are the Sound levels in this survey Sound Power or Sound Pressure?	10/19/2021 11:22 PM
48	Have not launched any complaints yet.	10/19/2021 8:45 PM
49	Did not submit any complaints	10/19/2021 7:10 PM
50	never complained yet, didn't think the city could do anything	10/19/2021 6:56 PM
51	I was completely unaware of the City response. We live in a city. If I wanted quiet I would move to Orange, VA	10/19/2021 6:04 PM
52	did not contact	10/19/2021 5:07 PM
53	I didn't complain because I knew it wouldn't be effective.	10/19/2021 3:56 PM
54	No complaints filed	10/19/2021 3:05 PM
55	I have never complained about noise.	10/19/2021 1:47 PM
56	I have not made a noise complaint, but the Metro and train horns are an issue - too often, too loud, likely unnecessary for safety or for other operating reasons.	10/19/2021 1:42 PM
57	have not complained as I did not know if there was anything that could be done re: train horns	10/19/2021 12:44 PM
58	I would never ask	10/19/2021 12:20 PM
59	I did not lodge a complaint because many many other people have already done so	10/19/2021 12:14 PM
60	I have not complained before.	10/19/2021 11:52 AM
61	Did not submit complaint	10/19/2021 11:43 AM
62	Didn't make complaints -- but thrilled you are addressing noise	10/19/2021 11:34 AM
63	The city currently does not regulate train horn noise. This is a VERY serious issue for residents who live near the King Street station. PLEASE work to eliminate train horns.	10/19/2021 11:25 AM
64	Haven't complained	10/19/2021 11:20 AM
65	Have not raised concerns	10/19/2021 11:19 AM
66	Did not complain	10/19/2021 10:59 AM
67	I did not complain, but we are new and I am disturbed nightly by the horns that are not at traffic or pedestrian areas (near king street station and the Amtrak station)	10/19/2021 10:57 AM
68	Did not complain	10/19/2021 10:48 AM
69	NA	10/19/2021 10:35 AM
70	I did not complain	10/19/2021 9:59 AM
71	We have been told the city can't limit train noise	10/19/2021 9:56 AM
72	Have not complained to the city before. Was advised the train horns were a federal railroad requirement and out of the city's control.	10/19/2021 9:53 AM

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73	N/A	10/18/2021 8:47 PM
74	No way to complain.	10/18/2021 7:47 PM
75	Never made a complaint	10/18/2021 5:59 PM
76	I did not seek a response from the city (the problems aren't that pervasive)	10/18/2021 10:17 AM
77	It was okay for the Popeye's situation on Mt. Vernon Ave., but, not for Hop & Shine - they are awful!	10/18/2021 8:50 AM
78	City police do not share information with the city. The burden is on the residential owner to report, fill out an affidavit and follow up with the city for any action to occur	10/18/2021 8:09 AM
79	Less than somewhat effective	10/18/2021 12:19 AM
80	I did not register any complaints	10/17/2021 10:31 PM
81	N/A	10/17/2021 10:12 AM
82	I did not file a complaint	10/12/2021 4:50 PM
83	I did not lodge a noise complaint.	10/12/2021 3:48 PM
84	I have not filed a complaint, yet	10/11/2021 8:32 PM
85	Never made a complaint.	10/11/2021 5:23 AM
86	did not make complaints	10/9/2021 8:09 PM
87	Very very very ineffective! We were told that they will not do anything about these performers, or stop them from using loudspeakers even though it is after 10pm	10/8/2021 3:13 PM
88	City has no noise control of air space and Congress can't do anything/federal agencies don't care	10/4/2021 12:18 PM
89	Did not complain	10/3/2021 9:10 PM
90	I didn't contact the city though my husband and I have been very concerned about noise from gas-powered leaf blowers and private snow removal equipment at Fords Landing	10/1/2021 4:12 PM
91	I have not submitted any complaints so far	9/30/2021 9:49 AM
92	I did not complain	9/29/2021 1:34 PM
93	I did not report my concerns.	9/29/2021 11:31 AM
94	One of our neighbors is spear-heading this issue.	9/28/2021 7:55 PM
95	Not. Applicable	9/28/2021 7:44 PM
96	I never filed a complaint. I live in a City so I expect noise.	9/28/2021 7:28 PM
97	Did not file complaints	9/27/2021 4:24 PM
98	I did not complain because I felt my complaint would do no good.	9/27/2021 11:05 AM
99	The city government has ignored repeated complaints from residents and does not observe noise or idling ordinances.	9/26/2021 8:05 PM
100	I have been told that there is nothing the city could do about this -- which seems insane to me.	9/26/2021 4:07 PM
101	i have not contacted the city	9/25/2021 10:46 PM
102	I never filed complaint	9/25/2021 11:05 AM
103	Not at all. I have called the police over 30 times and they are unable to do anything about loud music from street performers. I can clearly hear them from my home and I am 150 feet away from where they perform.	9/24/2021 8:10 PM
104	I have complained to the business owner but not filed complaints with the city	9/24/2021 5:22 PM
105	Not Applicable	9/24/2021 12:00 PM

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106	did not complain formally	9/24/2021 9:07 AM
107	Didn't complain	9/24/2021 8:34 AM
108	I did not report	9/24/2021 5:09 AM
109	first time making a comment	9/23/2021 8:57 PM
110	I did not file a complaint, but wanted to provide feedback. Have lived in Old Town for over 5 years, and the trend in the last few years from car noise has been especially disconcerting.	9/23/2021 7:43 PM
111	Did not complain	9/23/2021 3:01 PM
112	Haven't complained lately	9/23/2021 2:50 PM
113	I have not made any formal complaint because I live in an apartment community and didn't know where to send any complaint.	9/23/2021 1:47 PM
114	No complaints made to the city	9/23/2021 11:07 AM
115	Did not contact City	9/23/2021 10:02 AM
116	I haven't complained... except to neighbors.	9/22/2021 10:48 PM
117	Did not file any complaints	9/22/2021 1:07 PM
118	I did not complain.	9/22/2021 1:04 PM
119	don't know	9/22/2021 12:32 PM
120	Not applicable	9/22/2021 9:49 AM
121	No complaint registered	9/22/2021 7:17 AM
122	N/A	9/22/2021 4:43 AM
123	NO COMPLAINT FILED	9/21/2021 10:48 PM
124	n/a, no City response requested	9/21/2021 9:36 PM
125	I didn't complain	9/21/2021 8:01 PM
126	Did not file complaints.	9/21/2021 6:50 PM
127	Did not raise complaints	9/21/2021 6:45 PM
128	Don't know how/to whom to report this kind of problem.	9/21/2021 6:07 PM
129	No complaints submitted. Just dealt with it.	9/21/2021 5:51 PM
130	I didn't complain to the City	9/21/2021 5:38 PM
131	Our homeowners association deals with most noise issues since there are only two City streets in my community.	9/21/2021 5:30 PM
132	The intermittent noise from wind chimes should not be allowed at all during night time hours in densely populated areas as even the intermittent ringing at less than 55dB is disturbing. My bedroom is only about 8' from the chimes and they can be heard intermittently throughout the day but are particularly bad on windy nights when I need to sleep. To measure the sound is difficult as the sound varies throughout the day/night when city officials come out and take a measurement. I shouldn't have to wear earplugs to sleep.	9/21/2021 4:57 PM
133	Did not file a complaint	9/21/2021 4:51 PM
134	Not applicable	9/21/2021 4:44 PM
135	I did not contact the City to resolve my issue. It involves my neighbors and I did not want to get into an issue with my neighbors.	9/21/2021 4:22 PM
136	No complaints filed.	9/21/2021 3:06 PM
137	Did not make complaints	9/21/2021 2:41 PM
138	I did not raise issues with the City, but I am aware that others broached the topic of street	9/21/2021 2:22 PM

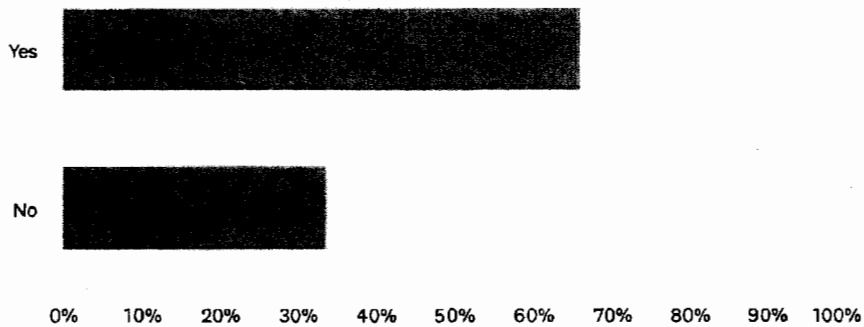
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	noise.	
139	Did not submit any complaints	9/21/2021 2:20 PM
140	I did not alert the city to noise disturbances.	9/21/2021 1:46 PM
141	They kindly said that there is nothing they could do.	9/21/2021 1:29 PM
142	I have not complained	9/21/2021 1:08 PM
143	have not asked the City for assistance	9/21/2021 12:51 PM
144	I understand Police cannot stop / curtail these engine revving immature drivers? IMO our police should b tasked w stopping/ticketing these noise violators.	9/21/2021 12:22 PM
145	Noise didn't lead to complaint	9/21/2021 12:15 PM
146	N/AA	9/21/2021 12:13 PM
147	I have not complained	9/21/2021 12:08 PM
148	Did not register any complaints	9/21/2021 12:03 PM
149	Have not complained hard to identify cars	9/21/2021 11:59 AM
150	I spoke directly with the lawn noise people (mowing before the allowable time on a weekend morning) and that worked, although I wish the ordinance had an even later time for weekend lawn noise commencement. Re: the dog. I was concerned about it's welfare so talked to AWLA. They investigated the next day, and I never heard the dog again. But. They gave the owner my email address without my knowledge or consent. I find that to be appalling and potentially a safety issue. Much as I would love to have a conversation with owners, you never know who you are dealing with, and I'm not looking to get shot. That sharing of information should not be allowed. Re: construction noise, I haven't complained. It's not excessive, just there, and I look forward to it being gone!	9/21/2021 11:56 AM
151	No enforcement	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
152	No reports made by me.	9/21/2021 11:53 AM

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Q6 Should the City replace the "predominant use" standard with a standard based on the 'property use of noise source' in determining noise limit at property lines?

Answered: 275 Skipped: 84



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

66.18%

33.82%

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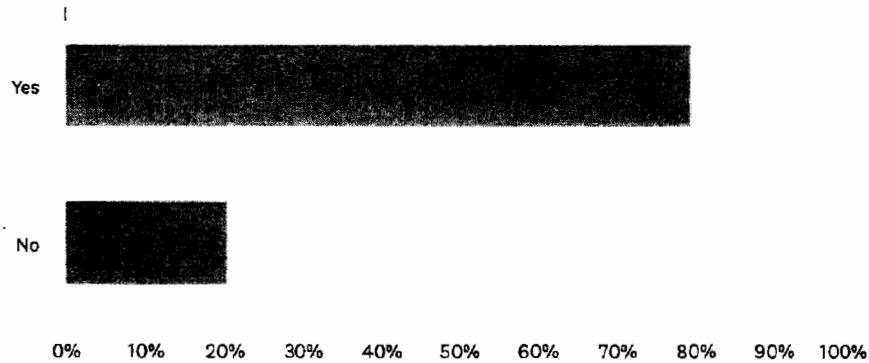
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Q7 Should the City regulate do-it-yourself (DIY) construction activities and only allow these activities during the following hours? Currently, these activities are exempt from the noise ordinance. Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Weekends and holidays: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Answered: 333 Skipped: 26



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

79.58%

20.42%

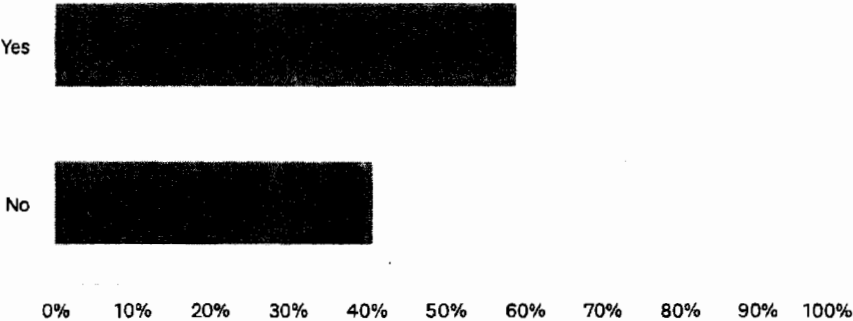
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Q8 Should the City adopt new changes to the noise ordinance to better enforce neighbor-to-neighbor noise in multi-familial buildings or leave the enforcement to condominium HOAs and/or building property management?

Answered: 307 Skipped: 52



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

58.96%

41.04%

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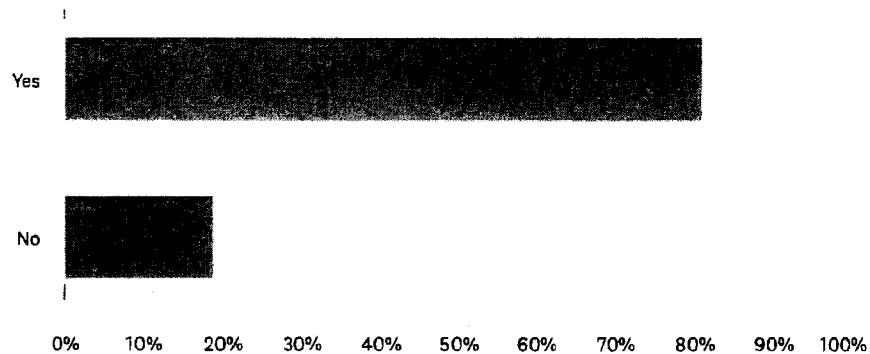
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Q9 Should the City adopt the “plainly audible” standard for night-time (11 p.m. to 7 a.m.) residential property use? The plainly audible standard would be more restrictive than the 55 dB(A) standard and does not require the use of a noise meter.

Answered: 339 Skipped: 20



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

81.12%

18.88%

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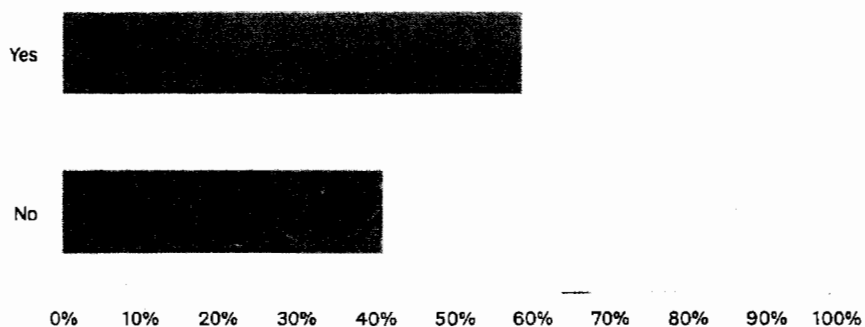
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Q10 Should the City consider establishing new daytime (7 a.m. to 11 p.m.) decibel standard for commercial use at 65 dB(A) and revert back to the present standard of 60 dB(A) during nighttime (11 p.m. to 7 a.m.)?

Answered: 321 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

58.88%

41.12%

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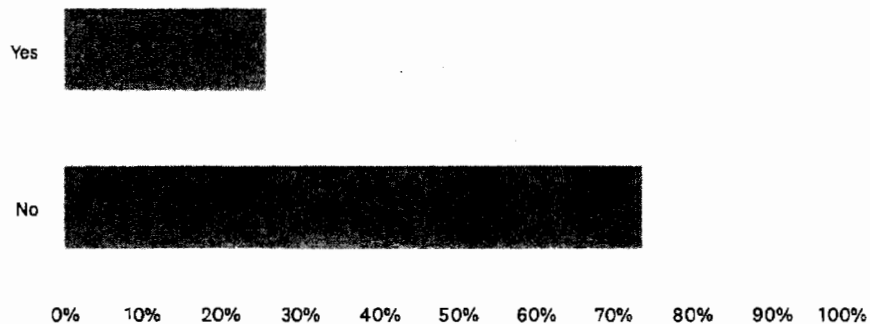
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Q11 Currently, every Special Use Permit (SUP) has to comply with the City noise ordinance as a minimum. Should the City allow SUP noise conditions to be less restrictive than the noise ordinance?

Answered: 322 Skipped: 37



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

26.09%

73.91%

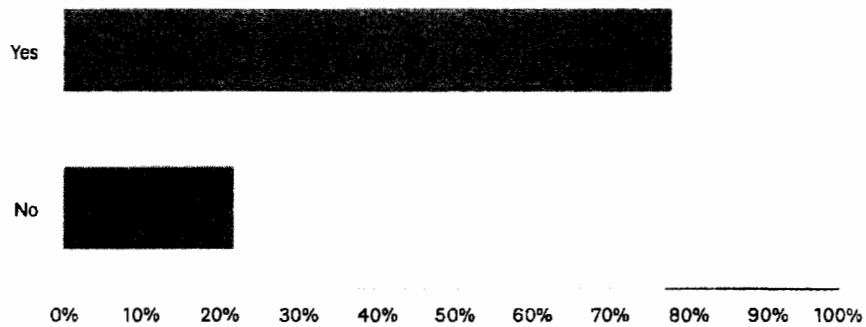
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Q12 Should the City consider a policy option that does not allow loading, unloading and delivery activities between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. if these activities are within 500 feet of residential areas?

Answered: 327 Skipped: 32



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

77.98%

22.02%

255

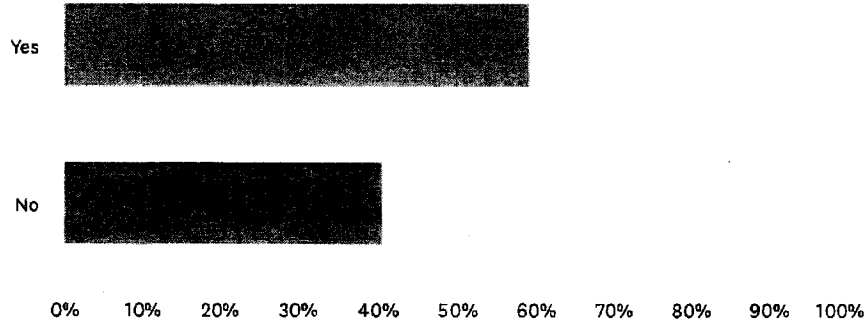
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Q13 Central Business District is established as the area between Prince and Queen Streets and between the Potomac River to S. Peyton, Harvard and N. West Streets. Should the City expand the "Noise in public places - Central Business District" provisions to the entire City?

Answered: 307 Skipped: 52



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

59.28%

40.72%

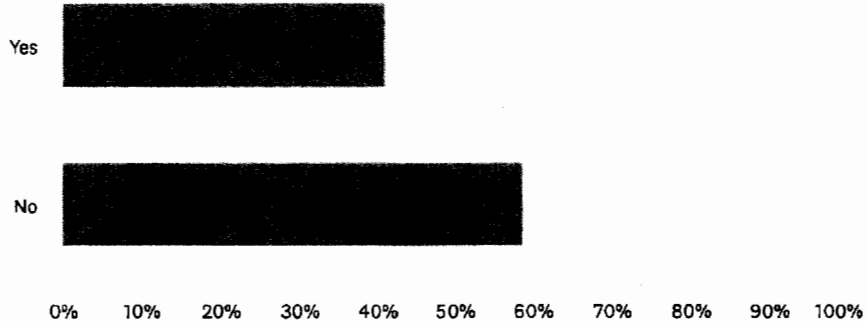
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Q14 Should the City remove the decibel limit at property lines of 75 dB(A) for power lawn equipment and continue to regulate this use by the following permitted hours? Weekdays from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Weekends and holidays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Answered: 316 Skipped: 43



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

41.14%

58.86%

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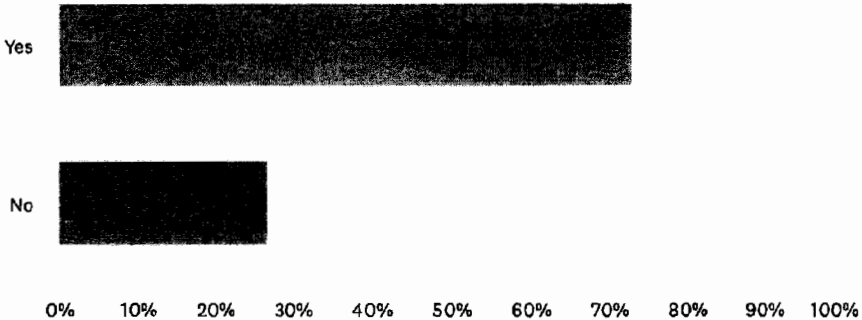
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Q15 In the absence of criminal penalty resulting from recent City Council decision, should the City increase the civil penalty for violating the noise ordinance from the present \$50 for first violation, \$100 for second violation and \$500 for third violation?

Answered: 332 Skipped: 27



ANSWER CHOICES

Yes

No

TOTAL

RESPONSES

73.19%

26.81%

243

89

332

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Q16 What other issues would you like the City to address in the revised ordinance?

Answered: 253 Skipped: 106

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Police need to stop and ticket vehicles that are loud and this should be done no matter where they are either public or private places. Vehicles are supposed to be inspected for noise control and that should be enforced by police.	10/22/2021 11:21 PM
2	7 am is too early to run lawn equipment in residential areas, consider 9 am	10/22/2021 11:02 PM
3	Cars... and motorcycles that have poor mufflers/expanded motor. And, pls - this survey was so poorly constructed... there is little I would consider valid - and I am a research professional. Just look at Q 15... you say should they increase from the present - but give no number for the increase. And - not including don't knows.... only shows the questions are meant to be biased. The city can do better on surveys.	10/22/2021 9:05 PM
4	the hours should be shorter. 9pm is ridiculous, people are putting kids to bed way before then, besides, sunset isn't even ever that late in ALX (latest in 2021 was 8:37pm).	10/22/2021 7:28 PM
5	Regarding Question #14: In dense neighborhoods (like where we live in Del Ray), people working from home are impacted nearly every day because one property or another nearby is receiving lawn maintenance using leaf blowers, weed wackers, and lawn mowers. The city should assure that the total number of hours of impact per week is limited.	10/22/2021 5:15 PM
6	The Planning Commission and City Council should have flexibility to be less restrictive with the noise ordinance when approving or updating Special Use Permits especially for Live Entertainment use. This change to the noise ordinance will allow the city to be fair and equitable and less burdensome for private for-profit commercial businesses who are required to get a Special Use Permit vs. public and non-profit organizations (properties such as the Carlyle House, Lloyd House and Lee-Fendall House) who are allowed to have similar activities (based on "noise" or music emitted) without a Special Use Permit. This is especially important when the process to obtain and retain a Special Use Permit for Live Entertainment and other uses are arbitrary and capricious. The Special Use Permit process is confusing, intimidating, time consuming, and it is not business friendly. Hopefully changes to the noise ordinance will take place so that it can operate in the City without wasting the police departments valuable time or under constant threat of violations and fines when operating under an approved Special Use Permit. Special Use Permit holders should be afforded the same exemptions given to others in the city. The City gives exemptions of up to 3 years for construction (which are the loudest noises of all), allows leaf blowers and lawn mowers, loud vehicles, delivery trucks that stand with loud running engines for an hour at a time, airplanes, special permits for all day parades, marches, public concerts on city property, and allows for 75 db(A) 10 feet from the property line in the CBD which is only one block away from us. It is arbitrary that the City cannot make provisions within the current City code for small businesses such as ours, who have live music less than 1% of the year, just outside the CBD district, with an approved Special Use Permit for Live Entertainment and other uses when they do so for so many others. The noise ordinance from the 1960's is outdated and should be modernized for commercial uses. The outdated commercial standard of 60 db(A) does not consider site-specific factors that reasonably support louder sound because of prevailing noise from airplanes, traffic, wind, sirens, birds, whistles, HVAC, construction, and other sources in our urban area. Commercial properties should be permitted a modernized commercial standard of 65 db(A) especially when you consider surrounding areas allow 65 db(A) or more for commercial use. The city of Norfolk has allows 67 db(A) daytime and 62 db(A) nighttime, Fairfax County allows 65 db(A), Arlington County allows 65 db(A), Falls Church allows 65 db(A), Loudoun County allows 65 db(A), Prince George's County allows 67 db(A) daytime and 62 db(A) nighttime, Montgomery County allows 67 db(A) daytime and 62 db(A) nighttime, the District allows 65 db(A), just to give a few examples. How is it that other urban areas as well as suburban and rural areas are allowed higher decibel levels than our City? We are losing business and the City is losing revenue to other counties in our area because we have too many restrictions from the noise ordinance.	10/22/2021 5:14 PM

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- 7 I would like the city to revise how it treats the Alexandria City PD gun range at 5261 Eisenhower Ave. The PD should be required to alert the residents of Cameron Station each time training is being conducted. The training is very audible even a half mile away from 7am until 9pm which is unfair to local residents. 10/22/2021 5:07 PM
- 8 Train noise. Beltway and street racing noise. Airplane and helicopter noise. 10/22/2021 3:27 PM
- 9 There are many condos and other residential units in the city in close proximity to commercial units. It is very important to keep the residential limit at 55 decibels. Also, the city should broaden its jurisdiction to areas off the street that affect residents. Currently, residents are at the mercy of the condo association or their specific apartment building for noise control. Noise may be coming from a commercial unit or equipment within the condo building that seriously affects residents' quality of life. The city should have requirements that must be met, including within courtyards and off the streets to protect its residents. The city should not rely on condo associations or apartment management, which may have other priorities and not be responsive to the concerns and complaints of residents. Government should be our safety net to ensure a decent quality of life for those who live in Alexandria. 10/22/2021 3:18 PM
- 10 -SUPs with a much higher than average volume, frequency, severity, or some other reasonable threshold of documented noise complaints should be immediately subject to review and revised/enhanced regulations to protect those harmed by incessant noise violations. Those SUPs cannot be left "as is" because they have failed to protect people who live under them. I live under such an SUP (The Royakton Condominium/ Whole Foods Market), and it is a complete failure because the assumptions underlying the sources of noise were overly simplistic. One judgmentally selected residential unit on Duke Street was the proxy for the determination about noise levels for the entire building; meanwhile, commercial equipment and store operations were completely ignored. The City did not put in adequate conditions for the developer to meet (quality of construction including windows, siting of commercial equipment including 24/7/365 fans right next to residences without any enclosures or noise attenuation features, inadequate bays for volume of products, etc.) as well as protective conditions for store operations (no enforcement of noise and idling in fire lanes on Georges Lane and the loading dock, or the use of "jake" brakes and a host of other noise, like after-hours trash compacting, repetitive honking, employee noise). -The biggest problems with the noise code are lack of enforcement, lack of effective deterrents (no fines or inadequate fines that just become a small cost of "doing business" for a profitable commercial store like Whole Foods), and difficult to understand or follow altogether. No one can understand, for example, how noise in our (non-enclosed) loading dock is supposed to be handled because it crosses the property line after-hours and there are a variety of sources contributing to the noise that are not easily identified in the noise ordinance (including misuse of parking spaces for storage and loading and unloading of goods; in other words, factors that have to do with the faulty SUP). -The Alexandria Police has not been responsive in after-hours enforcement, which is exactly the time when the more severe nuisance violations take place (e.g. when people are trying to sleep). It is unacceptable to have a noise ordinance that no resident can count on in time of greatest need, or to give the impression that the Police can be counted on when calling the non-emergency number. -HOAs and Building Managers are not interested, equipped, or have the expertise or the legal authority to enforce the noise ordinance. It is naïve to assume that they would be better at it than the City, since the governing documents do not give them much authority. In a mixed-use building, they would be very reticent to "fine" or discipline a commercial tenant, and this has been borne out by 15 years of experience since my building was erected. -When a commercial entity has been shown for years not to comply with a single maximum 60 decibel standard, how can they be trusted to comply with two sets of standards (one for day time and another for night-time)? This makes no sense and doubles the enforcement burden, which is inadequate to begin with. The source of the noise at my residence is equipment that runs continuously, not a restaurant or pub operation that simply "stop" at a certain time and "restart" at another. Therefore, the 2 noise standards would not work at all for my mixed-use building. -The objective of a noise ordinance is to protect the public and their health, not to protect commercial entities. The idea of raising decibel standards around residential units is indicative of the City being co-opted by commercial interests. More people than ever work from home now, and will continue to do so. They pay their property taxes and expect to be protected from nuisances that make it hard for them to work, concentrate, enjoy their leisure time after work, and most of all, be able to sleep at night. 10/22/2021 2:28 PM
- 11 I have no idea if any of my answers were recorded, except for those with a space to type in responses. When I mark Y or N, nothing happens. I've marked the work, tried to type it = can't; nothing shows my answer. Have I wasted my time? 10/22/2021 12:43 PM

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12	Powered lawn equipment and modified exhaust systems need major enforcement. Even unmodified lawn equipment is often 80db+ at 10-20 feet. With ongoing work from home they are a completely unmitigated nuisance!	10/22/2021 11:02 AM
13	We support the Classical Movements concerts. It is a shame that one neighbor loudly tries to disrupt this cultural event.	10/22/2021 10:51 AM
14	As a founding member of the board of Musical Movements for Change (MMC), a nonprofit based in Alexandria committed to supporting projects the use music to bring people and cultures together, I have had countless occasions to witness the transformative power of concerts and other musical projects – and the value it can add to communities around the world. Classical Movements' concerts at the Rectory on Princess Street have led the way, reintroducing live classical music after the silence imposed by the pandemic and offering Alexandrians a uniquely intimate way to experience great music in a beautiful setting. The comments made by artists and audience members alike (including those who have made donations to MMC to underwrite concerts and initiatives to make concerts accessible to students, veterans, foster children and other underprivileged persons) demonstrate the tremendous value this project has introduced to Alexandria. However, the recent activity of one neighbor also the shortcomings of the City's Noise Ordinance, if it has been used to further a vindictive and petty effort to expose Classical Movements to a level of scrutiny unseen elsewhere in the city – and an attempt to deprive the community of a project that has brought comfort and joy to so many. The noise created by construction crews is louder and more irritating than classical music, as is the the extremely loud noise created by the. Neighbor objecting to music A five second note, above the established decimal range is hardly irritating Why would you allow one neighbor to cause so much trouble? I spend time in Lake Geneva . Wisconsin They have live, loud music nearly every evening. People in the city enforcement role should be rational and judicious.	10/22/2021 9:17 AM
15	Leaf blowers	10/22/2021 8:26 AM
16	Could the city also address the use of emergency vehicle sirens during overnight hours. Some vehicles just use lights but other blast sirens. Seems if some can do lights only, emergency services could review standard overnight procedures to limit sirens in residential neighborhoods. Of all the categories in this survey, this is by far what disturbs my family the most. Other than that, the other sources of noise in my neighborhood are manageable.	10/22/2021 8:04 AM
17	I have attended several outdoor concerts in the city of Alexandria and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of being outside in our beautiful city while listening to great music. Classical music is not noise, but a beautiful meditation of expertly performed sounds that transport us to a new place. This opportunity, to hear classical music outside, is a huge bonus to our city and it should not be restricted.	10/22/2021 7:57 AM
18	Limit leaf blowers to weekdays only and only October through January.	10/22/2021 7:56 AM
19	Motorcycles and noisy vehicles!!!	10/22/2021 7:56 AM
20	These questions are very poorly constructed. Some are either/or with only a Y/N option (so unclear what you are responding to with your selection), many give no context for current regulations so you can't evaluate what the change would be. If I think that the present situation — whatever it is — is or is not sufficient, I can't respond to questions that don't tell me whether the change would be more or less restrictive (or in what ways). Please structure surveys better in the future to better capture citizen thoughts. My main issue is living on a block that is all residential but for two or three commercial establishments at the end - there can be loud truck deliveries and it would be nice for more restrictions on this.	10/22/2021 7:43 AM
21	Post noise ordinance signs at key locations (e.g. Seminary, Braddock, Beauregard, Rt 7, etc.) to inform the public that such regulations are in place and enforced.	10/22/2021 6:24 AM
22	Penalties are so weak, there is no motivation for construction projects to comply. I've been living next to one for about a year and a half, and there have been ongoing offenses for the duration. We have about another 6 months of torture to live through.	10/21/2021 10:24 PM
23	The City of Alexandria is empowered to be the gatekeeper of the health and safety of its citizens, with that, the city should realize that noise over the 60 decibel limit is unhealthy and detrimental to the health of its citizens. The World Health Organization outlines the negative health effects of loud noise, especially constant noise at high levels. A special revision for mixed use is critical for residents living and teleworking above and around commercial equipment owned by the businesses around the residents of a mixed use building. I have been	10/21/2021 10:21 PM

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permanently harmed, left with constant tinnitus from the constant illegal 24/7 noise from the Whole Foods store on Duke Street, as a result of the constant, ongoing noise, I have been left with screaming tinnitus. The city did investigate my particular noise complaint which lasted over a year, however, nothing changed with the Whole Foods noise levels, taking noise measurements during different seasons is crucial and having adjustments made to equipment prior to measurements can temporarily alter results. I ended up selling my property so I could live a healthier life. A special carve out, which I mentioned in the first round of comments, for mixed use buildings, which was not added to any additional options, is critical. The City of Alexandria has allowed the building of several new mixed use buildings, where residents live above commercial establishments, however, the options and discussions related to the proposed revisions mention nothing about mixed use buildings. Along with a new mixed use ordinance, local building codes should be updated to ensure that any new mixed use construction would keep noise levels with healthy and legal limits. Unless one has lived with non-stop illegal noise, 24/7 hours day after day, for months on end, one will not be able to understand how critical it is to have environmental noise within legal and healthy limits. Also, the city should not allow special construction permits (for example, this happened across from the condo I owned last year where the city gave a special construction permit for work 2am to 4 am off Duke Street, I am not sure how this type of permit ensures the health and safety of the citizens living around the area where the special permit was approved. I verified with the city that there was in fact a special permit approved. Last, your presentation mentioned the police can be called to help stop a noise issue. The last time I called the police for a noise complaint I was told they were acting on noise complaints. Thank you.

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| 24 | Air conditioner noise | 10/21/2021 10:11 PM |
| 25 | The city needs to do more to protect the quality of life for homeowners, especially in areas where haphazard development has placed industrial and commercial zones next to preexisting residential zones (e.g., Wheeler Ave., which abuts S. French St. and Vermont Ave.; and S. Jordan, where houses built in the 1950s share property lines with much newer businesses). Sound travels much farther than 200 feet from its source. Homeowners, who pay the bulk of tax in this city, deserve to enjoy their properties in peace. Owners of dogs that bark continuously outdoors for more than 10 minutes must be subject to tickets and fines. Fairfax County already has such a rule; Alexandria needs to catch up. | 10/21/2021 10:06 PM |
| 26 | Stop the train horn noise!!! | 10/21/2021 9:59 PM |
| 27 | Alexandria should prohibit trains (Amtrak and others) from sounding their horns upon entering King Street station. | 10/21/2021 9:05 PM |
| 28 | The City should give deference to homeowners when it comes to noise levels and NOT to restaurants, churches, schools and other commercial entities. Those establishments should NOT all be equal and their location (in a residential area) should be considered first and foremost. The homeowners/residents deserve first consideration and more teeth in those noise ordinances that control noise and maintain quality of life. | 10/21/2021 8:08 PM |
| 29 | Survey is very confusing. I am not in favor of more noise. Q6??? The noise from car mufflers is suspiciously absent especially since residents complain daily to no avail. What is going to be done about the car noise and racing every night? The noise goes all night from beltway and surrounding streets. | 10/21/2021 8:03 PM |
| 30 | Mixed Use Developments are completely ignored. When 1700 Duke Street was originally proposed, they had no idea that placing tractor trailers within a few feet of a Resident's window MIGHT be an issue, and thus NO MEASURES WERE TAKEN to sound proof the building as Staff only focused on conventional traffic noise on Duke Street rather than the 90-100+ DB noise being generated by certain refrigerated vehicles during the Summer months. Plus the equipment on Georges lane consistently goes out of ? alignment ? and vibrates/pulses.. probably on account of the Georges Lane alley being so filthy with exhaust and other debris - gums up the motors and fans? The mistakes made in 2003 where Staff completely overlooked the impact of delivery vehicles in an environment where sound is reflected back at the residential units - their only concern was "traffic noise" and not noise from any other sources. That led to NO additional sound requirements being made during construction - as no one considered the implications. Then the use of only ONE loading bay during peak times - and the store doing much more business than it was originally designed before - increased deliveries and truck traffic, etc. None of the Staff understood the implications of a mixed use development, so they dropped the ball completely. Getting the number of loading bays wrong was another oversight on by Staff, had they understood the delivery traffic would be much much higher and only one bay used... ..maybe they would have done a better job. But not | 10/21/2021 7:27 PM |

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even being able to distinguish the residential loading bay from the commercial ones - what other mistakes did they make? Not understanding the noise issues has led to numerous problems, which is why the noise restrictions should NOT be lessened to 65 or 70, when anyone who comes by during the Summer can go hang out by certain refrigerated trucks and plan to go deaf (no kidding).

31	An evening concert by the symphony is lovely, but this past week-end there was a very loud concert in a nearby park that started in the afternoon and went on until 9 p.m. Way too loud and way too long for nearby residents.	10/21/2021 6:41 PM
32	Eliminate use of train whistle between 9:00 pm and 7:00 am.	10/21/2021 6:10 PM
33	I would like the City to address drag racing and noisy mufflers.	10/21/2021 4:43 PM
34	Poorly designed survey in several cases. Use of technical and unfamiliar terms—eg, "property use of noise source." Some questions asked about 2 different policies—eg, question 14. The big issue for me isn't even being considered: moving M-F construction start time ESPECIALLY IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS and the row house areas of Old Town back from 7 am to the original 8 am.	10/21/2021 4:25 PM
35	We need more restrictive rules for powered lawn equipment, not less.	10/21/2021 4:25 PM
36	CARS WITH LOUD EXHAUST SYSTEMS	10/21/2021 4:05 PM
37	Aircraft noise!!	10/21/2021 4:03 PM
38	Re: #14: Don't remove the decibel limit for power lawn equipment but limit use to the hours specified.	10/21/2021 3:56 PM
39	the City should standardize who to call for noise complaints. It is burdensome for citizens to have to figure out whether to call Animal Control, the Police, or the Environmental Office	10/21/2021 3:47 PM
40	more enforcement	10/21/2021 3:34 PM
41	No pain to people, just common sense. Loud car radios playing rap are very unpleasant	10/21/2021 3:20 PM
42	Clarify that the police are empowered to enforce the noise ordinance after work hours. Currently, the police now say they are not enforcing it, even though the presentation indicates they are. There has to be reliable coverage for enforcement after 5 pm when city staff goes home. Given there is not enough after-hours staff for complaints, the police must be charged with the responsibility to enforce the noise ordinance and actually do it. Also, I wonder why the "daytime" noise hours last until 11 p.m. at night. Has any thought been given to why 11 p.m. is daytime? This seems very late to be considered acceptable levels for daytime.	10/21/2021 2:58 PM
43	Make sure that temporary entertainment-related noise (e.g. live music at restaurants) is not prohibited, but rather managed to be not disruptive.	10/21/2021 2:54 PM
44	If there is a valid complaint about a barking dog, require owner to take training on dog-noise prevention. This could be in lieu of a fine. Also, the city should offer incentives for landscapers to purchase less-noisy equipment, and should consider banning leaf blowers in residential areas.	10/21/2021 1:52 PM
45	What are the consequences for continual violations of the noise ordinance?	10/21/2021 1:00 PM
46	Banning train horns in the same 11-7 overnight hours	10/21/2021 9:23 AM
47	The gun range has a contract with local PD and we hear rapid fire shooting at all hours. Contacted the city and told the gun range was here before our development. No resolution. You can hear it through closed windows really early in the AM and into the late night.	10/21/2021 8:42 AM
48	The only real issue is the drag racing. Alexandria must work with other jurisdictions to address that issue, but this endless series of excuses is unacceptable.	10/21/2021 7:37 AM
49	I would like for the city to evaluate whether gas powered leaf blowers are indeed louder than electric ones. If so, the city should consider prohibiting or further limiting the use of gas powered leaf blowers. Limiting the use of gas powered leaf blowers also has environmental benefits.	10/21/2021 6:47 AM
50	Train Horns. The use of horns may be required by some regulatory agency, but the length of time that the horn is sounded and the decibel level of the horn quite obviously are not. There are great differences in the horns from one train to another....and this could be more	10/21/2021 6:20 AM

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standardized and regulated. Horns should only be sounded for the minimal time allowed and at the lowest decibel level allowed. If all trains are currently compliant, then the loudest trains can have the decibel level and length of sounding reduced to the level of the least loud trains.

51	Enforcement is important. Whole Foods trucks and mech. equipment are incredible noisy on Georges Lane at all times so I cant even open the doors/windows nor enjoy my balcony due to the tremendous inhuman noise. Although GL is s firelane and nobody is supposed to park there, constantly people park for at least half an hour having the engine running. The city could make a lot of money by ticketing them and it would be more environmental friendly and would reduce the noise and air quality for humans living here.	10/20/2021 10:40 PM
52	Please make the trains stop blowing their horns when they enter/leave the King Street station.	10/20/2021 10:21 PM
53	Alexandria is a "dog friendly" city, which means there are a LOT of dogs. Anything the city can do to encourage dog owners to discourage excessive/extended barking would be appreciated by all neighbors. I am not sure I have a solution, but now that many are working from home offices, persistent barking is impacting more than just peace and quiet at home, it is impacting residents workplaces. (Same goes for never-ending power equipment used by landscapers.)	10/20/2021 8:49 PM
54	Train horn noise is very serious. It should be banned at the residential area or the there should be some restriction at the frequent or deshbell of the horn.	10/20/2021 8:47 PM
55	Ban gas powered leaf blowers!!!	10/20/2021 7:51 PM
56	Additional clarity and more restrictions for DIY construction activity is needed. DIY construction that includes demolition, the use of any power or pneumatic tools, or work on shared walls or roof, should be regulated like other residential construction and restricted so that it does not pose such imposition to neighbors and residents. Additionally, DIY construction should be limited to a certain number of hours in a determined timeframe to save residential neighbors from lengthy, months-long projects taking place primarily on weekends and evenings with little regulation.	10/20/2021 7:48 PM
57	Aircraft noise, particularly low-flying aircraft to or from Reagan between 9pm and 7am.	10/20/2021 7:43 PM
58	Noise from train horns	10/20/2021 7:08 PM
59	Eliminate train horns of all types between the borders of the City of Alexandria. Some train operators sit on their horns, others just beep, but current technology should eliminate the need for any of this disruptive noise.	10/20/2021 7:05 PM
60	HOAs and/or building property management are ineffective at regulating construction noise in multi-familial buildings. HOAs especially are disincentivized to change bylaws to be more restrictive regarding individual condo owner construction projects since they themselves may benefit from less restrictions. This issue has been exacerbated during COVID. Data demonstrate that more property owners are investing in home enhancement projects. These projects are disruptive to neighbors and are largely unmanaged and unregulated by the property owner, the property management company, and HOAs. There are no consequences to condo owners for excessive noise related to construction projects or projects that extend beyond their stated deadlines. There are no bylaws on how many construction projects are permitted in a building during a given time period. As a result, you have multiple projects occurring concurrently in any given time period. The city must establish ordinances related to multi-familial buildings; enforcement mechanisms that hold accountable the property owner, the management company, and the HOA; and a reasonable complaint procedure that results in action.	10/20/2021 6:40 PM
61	Noise levels should be restricted from 10pm - 9am seven days a week. Train horns are very disruptive	10/20/2021 5:54 PM
62	The train horns as they approach the Duke Street underpass. Please!!!	10/20/2021 5:44 PM
63	The tunnel train horns are outdated and not needed	10/20/2021 5:22 PM
64	No special use permits at all to construction. Carlyle has been severely impacted in a way that should never have been allowed. Construction starts every day at 6am	10/20/2021 4:09 PM
65	trains blowing horns many times coming in and out of Alexandria stations before 7 a.m.	10/20/2021 3:44 PM
66	Don't stop the train whistles.	10/20/2021 3:22 PM
67	Train horns entering Union Station...Amtrak in particular	10/20/2021 2:55 PM

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68	being awakened at 5 am most morning by train horns	10/20/2021 1:49 PM
69	Work with local authorities to stop the drag racing on Woodrow Wilson Bridge	10/20/2021 1:37 PM
70	Train horns	10/20/2021 12:53 PM
71	As a resident in a mixed-use neighborhood (I live on Columbus Street, around the corner from a bagel shop and fish market and down the street from a live classical music venue), I encourage liberal permission for commercial and entertainment noise. Noise from trash removal and other related services are a cost worth bearing for the privilege of living in a dense, multi-use neighborhood. I would approve of ordinances that encourage development of such neighborhoods. My primary noise concerns are related to loud traffic noise, particularly from Washington and Route 1. Anything to encourage alternative modes of transportation would help alleviate this negative.	10/20/2021 12:33 PM
72	Noise from trains ! It is disturbing, does not allow me to sleep through the night. It is damaging to the health of all residents that live close to the train tracks.	10/20/2021 11:23 AM
73	Freight trains, passenger trains, and Metro trains all sound their loud horns multiple times when approaching the tunnel under Duke Street and the King Street Station. There is no federal, state or local law, ordinance, or regulation that requires this. Train horns are not just annoying, but have serious health consequences over time. Thousands of Alexandria's citizens live and work in the Carlyle neighborhood and are impacted daily by this unnecessary nuisance.	10/20/2021 11:02 AM
74	Noise from trains	10/20/2021 10:48 AM
75	The trains are a necessary part of living and a noise restriction on the horn will reduce the safety along the track and under the tunnels..... please remind the people of this.	10/20/2021 10:40 AM
76	Train noises. Way to loud	10/20/2021 10:32 AM
77	Blowing of train whistles.	10/20/2021 10:31 AM
78	Generator use at night to that causes reverberations indoors through closed windows.	10/20/2021 10:31 AM
79	None of the above questions address the train noise levels on Duke St. We are not bothered by the noise of the trains themselves, but the three horn blasts that supposedly are required when a train goes through that underpass disturb the entire neighborhood. As train traffic increased, so did the blasts, and somehow also the length of the blast. It is most disturbing during the night and the early morning hours. Perhaps the City could request the elimination of horn blasts from 11 pm to 7 am. Thank you.	10/20/2021 10:27 AM
80	I don't understand why the trains need to blow their horns all the time. I don't understand why infrared thermal imaging cameras haven't been installed in the tunnels to identify trespassers via an AI algorithm and change track signals to allow time for railroad authorities to clear the tunnels.	10/20/2021 10:22 AM
81	The metro trains have been increasing the horn noise at times blowing them constantly every 5 seconds as they pass our buildings. Commercial trains violate the night time hours	10/20/2021 10:19 AM
82	Train horns in Eisenhower / Carlyle. Also, question #8 is not a yes/no.	10/20/2021 10:11 AM
83	The city has not been enforcing existing noise ordinance violations and needs to step up and hold SUP holders accountable for compliance with the current (and new) standards. Issuing fines on commercial businesses for repeated violations should be routine and bureaucratically simple if any of the rules are actually going to be followed.	10/20/2021 8:33 AM
84	Whatever the rules are, actually enforcing them. Complaints about noise infractions get low priority for APD responses (which I understand) but leave residents feeling helpless when businesses know they will face no actual penalty for violations.	10/20/2021 7:47 AM
85	Since noise can have devastating effects on health, it is desirable to eliminate horns sounding on trains approaching and departing the Alexandria Union Station.	10/19/2021 11:22 PM
86	I strongly recommend granting special exemption to the Secret Garden on 711 Princess Street. Musical sound coming out from live performances should not be considered noise. The surrounding location has very few residences. The concert hours are short and end early in the evenings. Since the City supports restaurants allowing roadside dining, we can certainly go for some food for the soul, music and dance in a small scale.	10/19/2021 8:45 PM

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87	Provisions for Classical Movements	10/19/2021 7:10 PM
88	No more horn blowing of the trains in the city limits. Enforce excessive motor vehicle noises, especially motor cycles	10/19/2021 6:56 PM
89	Car/exhaust noise Pets in condo buildings how loud can music be, and what hours, in condo buildings When can trash be dumped from construction sites	10/19/2021 5:07 PM
90	Alexandria can mitigate the effects of train horn noise by establishing a "quiet zone." In this quiet zone, railroads can be directed to cease the routine sounding of their horns when approaching the Alexandria station. Train horns may still be used in emergency situations.	10/19/2021 4:42 PM
91	Alexandria claims to be an eco city. Consider migrating landscaping companies to battery operated lawn care equipment that is less noisy and less polluting. I believe California has done that with recent legislation. Do not eliminate the decibel limit at property lines for this equipment. The level of noise from this equipment is downright unhealthy.	10/19/2021 3:56 PM
92	Consider restriction of residential construction and landscaping noise levels above 60 decibels from 8 am - 7pm on weekdays and 12pm to 5pm on Sundays. Enforce noise ordinance for after market auto exhausts Prohibit fully the use of 2stroke gas powered leaf blowers within city limits.	10/19/2021 3:05 PM
93	Have a dedicated complaint line for noise issues.	10/19/2021 1:55 PM
94	The noise from cars / very very loud music /very very loud mufflers AND very dangerous speeding on Duke has to be dealt with. It is unsustainable for the community.	10/19/2021 1:47 PM
95	The Metro and train horns are a significant issue: too often, too loud, likely unnecessary for safety or for other operating reasons.	10/19/2021 1:42 PM
96	Stop the VRE and freight trains from blowing their horns around the King St station.	10/19/2021 1:25 PM
97	Train horns are horrible loud. They should be stopped	10/19/2021 1:01 PM
98	My main issue is with the train horns which truly don't seem to serve any purpose. Construction can be loud but I get that it needs to happen. But those trains!! :-)	10/19/2021 12:44 PM
99	Drop this issue embarrassing	10/19/2021 12:20 PM
100	I understand that trains are exempt from the noise ordinance. I don't know if that is due to jurisdictional issues. However, the apparent "safety" reasons for the current whistle blowing practice can be addressed in other ways at the Alex Amtrak station.	10/19/2021 12:14 PM
101	Address the train horns. City working with other stakeholders should modify the Alexandria train station so that passengers are not allowed onto the platform until the Amtrak and VRE trains have arrived and stopped. They do this at Union station, which permits the Amtrak/VRE trains to NOT blow horns while entering the station. City should also work with stakeholders to develop a warning system so that the Amtrak/VRE trains do not have to blow their horns when departing the station. Once passengers are no longer present on the platform, then the CSX freight trains can pass through the station without sounding their horns.	10/19/2021 11:54 AM
102	Please hold amtrak, VRE, and CSX accountable for blaring horns at Alexandria station, especially at night	10/19/2021 11:46 AM
103	Trains - I realize federal regs override any local concerns but I live close to King St and we get 4 diff types of trains - horn blasting varies by "type" Amtrak and VRE esp have very loud long blasts - is that really necessary?!	10/19/2021 11:43 AM
104	PLEASE work to stop the train horns as they enter/leave the King Street station. They are VERY loud and disruptive. This is a serious quality of life and property value issue. Please consider this.	10/19/2021 11:25 AM
105	Train whistle noise when entering and leaving the station.	10/19/2021 11:20 AM
106	There is no enforcement of rules on train horns in the city, Amtrak and CSX frequent violations, blowing horns in station, extended blasts upon entry. With the planned expansion of train operations, this problem will get worse. Multiple residential areas and businesses along the tracks are impacted by this as well as every person choosing train travel via the Alexandria station. Some cities implement quiet zones, if Metro can safely operate without sounding	10/19/2021 11:19 AM

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horns upon entering the station, the train system needs to be brought into the 21st century and do the same.

107	Train horns near Carlyle Towers Condominiums. Some train drivers drive by with no horns. Others use their own "signature" horn sound to let people know they are passing by or the train is approaching the station. In this day and age of electronic notification that the train is arriving at Alexandria Union Station, sounding the horn should not be needed as standard practice. Nor when they're simply passing by with freight. Please consider this request.	10/19/2021 11:13 AM
108	Railroad horns. Metro horns. Railroad and Metro loudspeaker announcements.	10/19/2021 10:59 AM
109	Train noise from blowing horns	10/19/2021 10:48 AM
110	I would like the city to prohibit train horns !!!!!!! They are extremely loud and take place every day trough out night and very early morning hours. Carlyle Towers are located right next to the train tracks. Lives and health of 800 people living there are affected in a very negative and unhealthy way. I'm unable to open my windows to enjoy a nice day or cool night. Being woken up several times at night because of the train horns is unacceptable . Please put stop to the train horns for good. Respectfully Johanna Savage	10/19/2021 10:44 AM
111	Mitigate the sound from train noise through noise barriers or restrict the honking from especially Amtrak. Why is their noise so much louder than commercial and VRE trains and at all hours of the night?	10/19/2021 10:43 AM
112	The continual blowing of horns by trains - starting at 6 am - and earlier. Number of trains blowing horns between 6am and 7 am is up to 7 times!! Loud and totally disruptive to quality of life for all those residents living near the Alexandria tracks	10/19/2021 10:41 AM
113	Train horn noise for all Amtrak & freight trains approaching Alexandria station (from West & East) Limits on hours of operation for Metro trains making a 90degree turn at Mill & Eisenhower (next to Carlyle Towers Condos)	10/19/2021 10:41 AM
114	Eliminate horns sounding on trains approaching and departing the Alexandria Amtrak Station and King Street Metro.	10/19/2021 10:40 AM
115	It is desirable to eliminate horns sounding early in the morning and late at night on trains approaching and departing the Alexandria Union Station.	10/19/2021 10:32 AM
116	Stopping the use of train horns.	10/19/2021 10:18 AM
117	Not sure the train and metro noise has been explained. Both metro and other trains blow LOUD horn before entering tunnels. The horns may be necessary to alert train arrival, but is FAR too loud: I live behind double pain glass and thick curtains in a condo 40' from the train tracks, but am constantly jarred by the noise. Surely this noise can be reduced or muffled. I believe many Alexandria residents are upset by the unnecessary horn noise. I have never noticed anyone standing on the train tracks or even standing nearby the tunnel.	10/19/2021 10:15 AM
118	None at the present time.	10/19/2021 10:10 AM
119	Trains blowing horns when unnecessary	10/19/2021 10:10 AM
120	Stop trins (i.e. metro and VRE) from blowing horns in area of Carlyle when approaching Alexandria train and metro stations.	10/19/2021 10:06 AM
121	There is NO need for the freight trains/VRE/Amtrak to blow their whistles when entering the King Street Station. This should be a NO whistle area.	10/19/2021 10:01 AM
122	Railroad train noise. Prohibit or reduce train whistles. Do noise shielding near Carlyle Towers.	10/19/2021 10:01 AM
123	Again, the train horns by Duke and Callahan are horrendous. I live in Carlyle Towers and cannot open windows, enjoy my sunroom, or sleep past 6AM. Amtrak drivers especially love to blast the horns.	10/19/2021 9:59 AM
124	Train noises — I live close to train lines and they're always sounding horns frequently & too loud. As well the tracks are very loud & screechy, I would like the City to contact the relevant agency to have these serviced. Also on the notice of WAVES (sound WAVES, light WAVES...) — the new Wegmans construction site has blindingly bright lights on 24/7 aimed directly in my bedroom window, has been causing me to lose sleep. Please create or enforce a light pollution ordinance to prevent this.	10/19/2021 9:59 AM

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125	Stop trains from sounding horns when entering/leaving King Street station	10/19/2021 9:56 AM
126	For residents of the Carlyle District, stopping the train horns is the most important.	10/19/2021 9:53 AM
127	the train horns on arrival to alexandria train station are loud and unnecessary. some train operators sound the horns for extremely long periods of time.	10/19/2021 9:53 AM
128	Follow the Federal Railroad Administration rule of allowing train horns to sound when working on tracks and prohibit the sounding of train horns when trains approach or depart from our Union Station. . .	10/19/2021 9:50 AM
129	I want to use this opportunity to support Live Music in the City of Alexandria, particularly the Classical Movements initiative. They were a solace during the restrictive moments of the pandemic, bringing a little joy in the format of live music. It is the exact opposite of noise. However, it has been treated as such. It should not fall under the same category as lawnmowers but with parades and marches.	10/19/2021 8:35 AM
130	Again, racing cars with loud mufflers	10/19/2021 3:44 AM
131	Live music has a profound economic impact on our City. When people are out to attend a performance, they also go to bars and restaurants, shop at nearby establishments, and pay for parking. We need to encourage live music, which especially during this pandemic often happens outdoors. Classical Movements is an excellent example of this.	10/18/2021 9:27 PM
132	Please add provisions to allow stricter noise regulation of vehicles. This has become a significant problem within the past two years, and non-resident vehicle-related noise from blasting music (while idling for hours) and modified exhaust and other systems has significantly affected quality of life in our neighborhood.	10/18/2021 9:04 PM
133	I'm not a resident but often visit and stay with a dear friend who is a resident. And one of the things we most enjoy is live music in Alexandria, such as at the Secret Garden. Please encourage more music in more places, especially jazz and classical. Thank you.	10/18/2021 7:47 PM
134	Neighbor runs a generator whenever power goes away. It's incredibly noisy. Also too many noisy emergency firetrucks on King even no traffic.	10/18/2021 6:16 PM
135	The one outdoor event that is beautiful are the outdoor concerts at the Secret Garden Rectory by Classical Movements. They start at 5 and are over by 730. It is a lovely venue and beautiful music that adds to the charm of Old Town. Please don't create a new ordinance that would take this artistic benefit away.	10/18/2021 5:55 PM
136	\$500 citations for motorcycles and muscle cars designed to be incredibly loud and disruptive, especially in the central business district where people dine outdoors.	10/18/2021 5:02 PM
137	As a home owner and resident on North Columbus Street, I have become a supporter of the Classical Movements Concert Agenda in the "Secret Garden" on the corner of North Columbus and Princess Street. One homeowner constantly complains about the "noise" from the musical events and has imposed "lawfare" on the purveyors of Classical Movements. I consider this homeowner's actions patently ridiculous. The Concerts represent the Arts and violate NO city ordinances for either decibel level or time requirements. When you compare the work that Classical Movements does for starving artists or our local community to the extremely loud noise of organizations like Rolling Thunder or other activities on the waterfront near King Street and Union Street... there is no comparison. Holding Classical Movements to a higher standard than we hold noisy businesses on the waterfront is unfair and undemocratic. Leave the Classical Movement organization alone please. They bring much more to the community than the one "whiner" who is complaining. Thanks in advance for your support.	10/18/2021 4:38 PM
138	Airplane noise.	10/18/2021 4:25 PM
139	Alexandria is a town with history, art, and culture. I am supporting Live Music, especially classical music in the City of Alexandria.	10/18/2021 4:21 PM
140	The "predominant use" definition should be modified so that it also considers not only a 200 ft. radius of the noise source but also weighs more heavily the majority of property uses within a 200 ft. cone *of the direction of the noise source.* The current definition significantly impacts residential areas when businesses operate atypically or against established norms. For example, if a commercial business faces a busy commercial street (Mt. Vernon Ave in Del Ray) but chooses to predominately operate outdoors in the rear of the business which immediately abuts nothing but residential homes in the 200 ft. *direction* of the noise, this	10/18/2021 10:44 AM

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should be defined as predominant residential use, not predominate commercial use. Conversely, if the commercial business operates outdoors but in the front of the property on a busy commercial street facing other commercial properties within a 200 ft. cone from the in the direction of the noise, then this can be classified as predominant commercial use.

141	Consider residential properties within 50 yards of SUP applicants and do periodic checks on the noise levels during operating hours from the residential properties - not the commercial side.	10/18/2021 8:50 AM
142	Stronger monitoring and enforcement by the city rather than relying on homeowners	10/18/2021 8:09 AM
143	Effective controls that are enforced as the planning board and others grant exceptions through SUPs that they then don't police/enforce.	10/18/2021 8:00 AM
144	Specifically regulation of commercial use of amplified sound near residential areas. Target Noise reduction of areas near city parks Increased Use of natural sound barriers such as evergreen trees on property lines that connect commercial and residential land to help limit commercial noise.	10/18/2021 12:19 AM
145	Noise from bars with outside seating should have enforced hours and decibel levels ought to take into account the residents.	10/17/2021 10:36 PM
146	It's hard to make blanket rules for all commercial businesses. For example, businesses that face busy streets may be able to generate more noise than businesses that face residential neighborhoods. I would like to see the City recognize these differences in researching any new regulations.	10/17/2021 10:20 PM
147	traffic noise from people racing/joy riding	10/17/2021 10:12 AM
148	By far, early and loud trash truck noises and vacuum truck noises affect my families quality of life the most. Next is loud "fake" church bells. policy Option 1: I do not agree with changing the "predominant use" standard. A truck at a commercial site vs a residential site would be allowed to be louder at one site than another. This is inequitable.	10/13/2021 10:24 PM
149	Control the noise from restaurant outdoor seatings.	10/13/2021 10:26 AM
150	Marketing; disseminating noise ordinance information (including training on how to diplomatically talk to neighbors about noise) to residents, so we know how to report/enforce the ordinance.	10/12/2021 10:30 PM
151	Ban loud leaf blowers	10/12/2021 4:50 PM
152	Thanks for extending this survey to Alexandria Residents. It would be more helpful if some questions included definitions and explanatory material, so that lay residents might better understand the questions asked and their implications. What are the implications of a "yes" or "no" answer? It would be easy to include links for certain words or phrases with a brief explanation. Thanks.	10/12/2021 3:48 PM
153	Phase out, then prohibit use of two-cycle engines for lawn care due to air pollution and noise concerns.	10/11/2021 8:32 PM
154	Please restrict & ticket street performers' use of loudspeakers! Also, ticket cars driving up and down the street BLASTING music at all times of the night.	10/8/2021 3:13 PM
155	Monday thru Thursday noise ordinance start at 10pm for musicians on King street ... children are not able to sleep because of trumpet player on corner of King and union	10/6/2021 10:45 PM
156	Some of these questions need more-nuanced answers than yes/no.	10/6/2021 9:26 AM
157	1) Get rid of leaf blowers, especially used by city staff/contractors, unless you are actually picking up the leaves. Why make noise and waste gas just to blow them into the street without picking them up? 2) Ban modified mufflers, and enforce the noise ordinance against loud cars and motorcycles. I've been working from home for 1.5 years. This is my office now. Why should I be subjected to this level of noise? Think of it this way: the rest of this survey is about how the city's noise ordinance applies to all kinds of situations in businesses, residences, etc. Why does putting the noise on wheels and sending it down the street all of a sudden make it exempt?	10/5/2021 10:12 PM
158	Helicopter noise. Car noise/racing exhaust system/muffler noise.	10/4/2021 12:18 PM

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159	Commercial landscapers using leaf blowers to clean up, rather than raking their trash is a constant annoyance; sends lawn and plant refuse into storm drains, and pollutes the air. Banning noisy, fuel powered leaf blowers is a plus on many counts.	10/4/2021 12:56 AM
160	Leaf blowers are the worst offenders. Adopt a regulation that forces lawn care business and home owners to use quieter leaf blowers. They are available. With more remote work and more remote workers expected in the future, this is a real issue. More towns are adopting regulations. Here's an article: https://qz.com/1729584/more-brave-towns-are-putting-a-stop-to-the-tyranny-of-leaf-blowers/	10/1/2021 4:12 PM
161	Idling delivery vehicles and other large vehicles.	10/1/2021 12:28 PM
162	Can the city adopt an ordinance that requires lawn companies to use electric equipment by a certain date? Can the City begin by purchasing such equipment for city use? Can the city monitor 395 entrance on King Street to stop speeders, understanding that you cannot stop cars just because they have a noisy muffler, due to recent GA legislation?	9/30/2021 4:01 PM
163	In the above form, because I am not sure how loud the various dBs mentioned really are it makes it very difficult to comment effectively. However, I would like to focus on one predominate issue throughout our neighborhoods. Leaf blowers represent the soundtrack of our daily lives. They can be heard for blocks. They are too loud and need to be phased out. Either replaced by quieter electric leaf blowers or the old fashioned rake.	9/30/2021 1:17 PM
164	Lower decimal noise levels and reduce the noise hours in residential areas from lawn/construction activities to 8am-5pm all days. No noise from these activities on holidays. Thank you.	9/30/2021 11:00 AM
165	Question #8 cannot be answered by yes/no because it's a two part question and answering yes effectively answers yes to both positions. Weekday and weekend power lawn noise should end at 7pm. Weekday DIY noise in multi-family units should end at 7pm. Daytime weekday decibel limits should run 7am-7pm (maybe 8pm) but 11pm is entirely too late. I live two blocks away from the Passport Nissan dealership that is located on S. Pickett. They have a system whereby their sales people locate cars on their lot by activating the car alarms. It goes on EVERY day/evening, weekdays and weekend many times per day. It is MADDENING! Attempts to engage them in the past about this have resulted in empty promises. Reporting them to Code Administration is a joke.	9/30/2021 10:01 AM
166	Noise on Route 1 - reduce the speed limit, reminders of a residential area	9/29/2021 1:34 PM
167	Barking dogs in public parks are a nuisance.	9/29/2021 11:31 AM
168	The noise ordinance does not take into account reverberation from buildings that are close to one another.	9/28/2021 7:28 PM
169	Vehicle noise. Loud mufflers from cars and motorcycles. Noise from vehicles racing on Duke St. and Eisenhower Ave.	9/28/2021 5:30 PM
170	Change the hours of noise allowed to earlier in the night	9/27/2021 5:07 PM
171	Buskers should be limited to single performers with no amplification. Group performers should not be allowed or they should be limited to a 2 hour performance. And the police need decibel monitors to be able to determine when noise is above the limit.	9/27/2021 4:36 PM
172	Mainly dog barking as it also indicates aggressive pets that don't belong in a peaceful community	9/27/2021 1:54 PM
173	VEHICLE NOISE - this issue is NOT preempted by state law and enforcement regarding vehicle noise MUST resume IN FULL.	9/27/2021 10:42 AM
174	The city must enforce the ordinances on idling and noise ordinances already in place. They do not. It is extremely frustrating to suffer for 2 years the noise and pollution from buses on Daingerfield, and drum circles (without a permit that has been an ongoing problem for years), and loud leaf blowers that send leaves and debris into storm sewers when we already have a flooding problem. The city departments need to coordinate and enforce city ordinances for better livability. Thank you.	9/26/2021 8:05 PM
175	Question #8 is worded as either/or – but the answer options are yes/no. How can you make sense of the responses there? Something seems to have gotten lost in all this. The key characteristic of the problem isn't the absolute dB measurement, it is the additional noise over-	9/26/2021 4:07 PM

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and-above the ambient value that would be there in the absence of the noise source in question. Section 11-5-4 paragraph (1) focuses on "signaling devices" of vehicles. But it completely ignores the situation where people playing music in vehicles at ear-splitting levels with their windows wide open (or from motorcycles). On the subject of cars: During the months where we can open our windows, we are frequently awakened at night by hot rods (or cars that sound like them), likely with no mufflers at all, barreling down Old Town streets. This cannot be legal, and should be against Alexandria City law. If these individuals want to compensate for some anatomical deficiency with modified pipes, they can do it elsewhere.

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| 176 | Lower noise thresholds and stricter enforcement of modified exhaust systems or systems poorly maintained. Quieten Fire department vehicle sirens, air horns, and rumbler. They wake my sleeping babies nearly every day at Duke/Reinekers street. | 9/26/2021 10:04 AM |
| 177 | I would like to see decibel meters/recorders with cameras on residential streets near interstate junctions to catch automobiles that arr modified to make louder noises. | 9/25/2021 10:46 PM |
| 178 | Daytime hours for all provisions of the ordinance need to be 7:00am to 9:00pm - not 7:00am to 11:00pm. Many residents have to get to sleep far earlier than 11:00pm and wake up earlier than 7:00am. Noise limit standards based on decibels cannot be enforced at all, unless residents and police officers have immediate access to the type of sound measurement devices specified in the ordinance for measuring whether a violation of the ordinance has occurred. The Police Department must be provided with qualifying decibel measurement equipment for every shift, and citizens must have access to such equipment also, or be allowed to take measurements with the NIOSH cell phone app available free of charge. This app can be calibrated to roughly match the measurements of Class 1 and Class 2 meters using the microphone built into cell phones. The proposed language in Section 11-5-4 (2) addressing Sound Reproduction Devices only covers sound coming from a building, a structure, or a vehicle. It therefore excludes situations I've brought to the attention of Lisa Goldberg and Mayor Wilson in which the music playing through huge speakers on the pool deck at the neighboring apartment complex was so loud that the fixtures in my apartment were shaking, and I could not use my phone or hear my television turned up to maximum volume, with my windows shut. I am certain that the sound level coming into my apartment for approximately six hours on those occasions was at least twice the allowed maximum specified in the proposed Ordinance. I could not remain in my apartment – I was forced to leave to prevent damage to my hearing. I have also had loud music aimed directly into my apartment from the grassy strip of lawn between my apartment building and the property of the complex next door, during picnics that went on for hours – and this was after the management of that complex had been contacted twice by Ms. Goldberg regarding the noise from loud music, at my request (after the police refused to act). There are also increasing numbers of people at the same apartment complex (South Port Apartments) blasting music from their vehicle stereos with all of the doors and windows open, for long periods of time as they are parked in the parking lots. When those headache-inducing noise levels from recorded music are again encountered for hours at a time, I will have no recourse for help from the Ordinance, if the proposed language in 11-5-4 (2) is not broadened to include sound coming from all property areas including pool decks, grassy areas, and parking lots. That will be a disaster for me, and for all of the other residents in my apartment complex. I urge you, and I beg you, to please broaden the language of this provision to include noise problems that are very likely to occur on a regular basis. | 9/25/2021 1:28 PM |
| 179 | Mostly the number of cars that are much to loud on our streets! | 9/25/2021 11:05 AM |
| 180 | The waterfront is a discordant cacophany of different music, amplifiers, and loud engines overwhelming the senses. Amplifiers should either be banned or at least well separated. And this must be ENFORCED as normal routine for law enforcement without forcing residents to do the cities work for them. | 9/25/2021 8:24 AM |
| 181 | STREET PERFORMERS AT KING & N. UNION I have lived at the Torpedo Factory Condo since 1995. For the past few years, the noise from the street performers have been extremely loud at the intersection of King & North Union especially after the closure of King Street. The performers often bring large speakers & amplified equipment and I can clearly hear them in my home which is 150 feet away from where they perform. Maybe there should be designated areas where street performers can perform without bothering the residential community. I have called the Police about 30 times over the past few years with minimal results. Often the performers ignore the requests from the Police even though there was already a Noise Ordinance established. | 9/24/2021 8:10 PM |
| 182 | I want the city to prohibit gas and diesel powered lawn equipment, both because of the awful | 9/24/2021 5:22 PM |

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noise levels but also because of air quality issues. Let me also note that even after Mr. Tran's presentation I do not understand the difference between "predominant use" and "property use of noise source".

183	Barking dogs	9/24/2021 5:18 PM
184	Ability to ticket loud vehicles, both from sound systems and loud/modified exhaust systems	9/24/2021 5:09 AM
185	I'd like the City of Alexandria speed up on the mother in law suite new ordinance. Life is getting tough and we need to have a chance to have our parents close to us.	9/23/2021 8:57 PM
186	I'm tired of loud motorcycles and cars, as well as lawn equipment.	9/23/2021 7:50 PM
187	Recommend that the revised ordinance address vehicle noises (racing engines, loud music from car/motorcycles, etc). In my view, it has gotten out of hand in the Old Town area and is seriously impacting our quality of life (and our desire to reside in Old Town). thanks for considering our input!	9/23/2021 7:43 PM
188	I am specifically concerned about the noise from residential gas powered leaf blowers. These machines are used year round as brooms to sweep properties of dust and debris. In Alexandria's dense residential districts, the penetrating noise from these machines challenge citizens ability to work or study from home. The World Health Organization and the CDC say 85 decibels or greater can damage hearing and any outdoor noise of 55 decibels or greater is disturbing to people. The decibel ratings for leaf blowers are usually measured based on the noise exposure at 50 feet away from the blower. Most 2-stroke blowers are more than 70 decibels. Leaf blowers also emit a deep, low-level noise that is especially penetrating. Walls and windows can't block it, so you are exposed to the noise even inside your home or office. These machines run many days a week for one hour or more throughout residential areas, causing significant reduction in productivity for citizens working or studying from home. I often will lose 2-3 hours per week of productivity due to the use of gas powered leaf blowers being used on neighboring properties. I ask that you please include provisions that strengthen the noise ordinance for powered lawn equipment.	9/23/2021 5:43 PM
189	Sound barriers along train tracks!!!	9/23/2021 3:01 PM
190	Ban fuel powered lawn equipment, especially leaf blowers.. this would also help the city meet its climate goals. Put up sound barriers around train tracks	9/23/2021 2:50 PM
191	Decibel limit for lawn equipment/ leaf blowers. Eventually moving to all electric requirement to be consistent with Alexandria as an 'eco-city'.	9/23/2021 2:44 PM
192	Policing of the I-395 highway corridor near King Street. There is A LOT of noise coming from what sounds like drag racing in the evenings on the highway. Vehicles that are homed in Alexandria should certainly have noise regulations with inspections.	9/23/2021 1:47 PM
193	Not allow extremely loud vehicles	9/23/2021 11:07 AM
194	Please consider policy that would limit the noise levels of vehicles in old town at all hours. Some vehicles are exceptionally noisy. I believe that noises from muscle cars and motorcycles should be the foremost consideration. This issue has reached epidemic levels.	9/23/2021 10:30 AM
195	Required noticing of commercial construction and city/utility work that will impact neighbors. Perhaps this should part of the noise permits/variances process, or even the construction permitting process, but neighbors should have advance warning of when loud noises will be coming. Especially that many are working from home now, if we don't know loud noises are coming, we can't work to prevent disruptions to our own lives. We already notice neighbors when parking will be disrupted – we should do the same with known construction and City/utility work.	9/23/2021 10:02 AM
196	loud cars	9/22/2021 9:25 PM
197	90% of all vehicles traveling on Patrick St speed in excess of the 25 mph speed limit. When cars speed, they all exceed the DB noise thresholds. (I know this because I measure their decibel levels with my phone as they pass by my location). Why aren't these noise violations being enforced? Why aren't the traffic light patterns changed to assure speeding, and the resultant noise violations, do not occur - especially between 10:00pm -6:00am when there are no competing traffic concerns for having all traffic lights operating uniformly? Why aren't speeding and/or red light cameras utilized to curb speeding and its resulting noise violation? Why isn't a lower speed required for trucks that tend to violate the noise regulations	9/22/2021 5:15 PM

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irrespective of speeding? Why is the city not regulating after-market car modifications, like Arlington is seeking to do, that increase the decibel level of a car's motor - especially in light of the fact that these cars appear to be drag racing down Patrick St at all hours of the night? I would like someone to email me at johncorbin22@yahoo.com and provide answers to these questions. These problems are not being dealt with.

198	Traffic noise on city streets due to loud music/speakers/bass in vehicles, as well as after-market modifications to vehicles that increase noise (exhaust, muffler, turbo, etc.).	9/22/2021 3:44 PM
199	Investigate ways to identify and penalize drivers with modified cars and trucks that produce excessive noise. A suburb of Paris began enforcing this with noise detecting cameras in 2019: https://www.reuters.com/article/us-france-noise-motorcycles/paris-suburb-pioneers-noise-radar-to-fine-roaring-motorcycles-idUSKCN1VK1AA	9/22/2021 2:37 PM
200	I would like for the community to be fully informed of the law as it stands and the upcoming changes. Posting in buildings, Rec centers and especially neighborhood associations.	9/22/2021 1:14 PM
201	Nothing is wrong with the current ordinance.	9/22/2021 1:04 PM
202	Correct the flight path southward from DCA, and address the sudden problem with loud mufflers on cars and the racing on the approach (and across) the WW Bridge. Richmond lifted the noise restrictions statewide, and it's caused a massive problem here in OT.	9/22/2021 12:55 PM
203	planes !!!	9/22/2021 12:32 PM
204	how to actually regulate and stop the modified engines from the DAILY and NIGHTLY noise issues. If you look at large threads on Next Door, this is the most frustrating. THIS is where the excessive noise is coming from and it also is unfair to homeowners, residents who have to endure this every single day	9/22/2021 12:13 PM
205	Mufflers and drag racing. They go around and around a block for ages just to rev their engine and make noise. They follow you while you are walking. They do this at all hours of the day and night. One lives in the apartments a block away and just circled every time he leaves or comes homes just to taunt those who have asked him not to speed down the street. And his car is so noisy it wakes you up just when he's driving normally.	9/22/2021 11:49 AM
206	The noise issues should be less restrictive and allow for businesses to operate more freely. Currently, the restrictions set in place do not allow for businesses and individuals to operate under a normal protocol. Remove additional restrictions and do not strengthen current restrictions. Doing so makes Alexandria a very unfriendly business place to be.	9/22/2021 11:45 AM
207	apartment noise and shared walls noise with neighbors it's a REAL BIG PROBLEM HERE IN THE CITY.	9/22/2021 11:33 AM
208	Question #7 forces us to accept the existing hours of use -- so is not worded correctly. I would answer YES to DIY being regulated but the permissible hours should be regulated to 9a.m.-5pm all days and no gas-powered lawn equipment on Sunday; #8 is not a yes/no question. You ask to chose HOA or city as regulator but then only give us yes/no answer. #14 -- I attended and heard much of the public feedback in 2019 asking for the hours to be more limited when lawn power equipment is allowed. You have ignored this feedback completely and are still forcing us to accept M-F 7 am to 9pm and Sat/Sun 9-9pm. So we again are strongly advocating that THE HOURS when powered lawn equipment is allowed be changed to M-Saturday 9 a.m -6pm and NONE ON SUNDAY. We need a day of rest from all this cacaphony of gas powered lawn equipment. Allow a waiver for Sundays ONLY if the equipment is electric and then again only from 12-5pm. The only reason you are mandating these hours start at 7 a.m. is for the landscape companies (not for homeowners themselves) who unload handfuls of workers who power up gas-powered equipment and let them rip at 7 a.m. This is just a horrible way to wake-up. Then in 15 minutes they are gone and the homeowner is left ticked off. Regarding 9pm end time, if a homeowner is trying to have a dinner meal outside in our backyard or end the evening quietly or just read a book, this is impossible to do with neighbor after neighbor gas mowing lawns or having landscaping companies do same right up until 9pm(!). 9pm is just ridiculous as an end time. Ending at 6pm should be sufficient for lawn work to be done. We also highly advocate for "QUIET SUNDAYS" where the general rule is NO LAWN POWER EQUIPMENT. We need a day of noise rest. We just deal with too much noise that you say we have no say over -- trains and planes. Please give us reprieve on something we can control. PLEASE DON'T IGNORE OUR REQUEST for limiting the hours of gas-powered lawn equipment. again.	9/22/2021 10:58 AM

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209	Focus on residential areas that are near business areas. Residents have no idea how to pursue issues with business neighbors. Also, the permit process is confusing and no one from the office ever responds to calls.	9/22/2021 8:10 AM
210	The loudest noise I experience is trash pickup, which starts as early as 6 am. Request the city look into changing those hours to 7 am to better match the other proposals OR invest in noise abatement.	9/22/2021 7:33 AM
211	Few revisions are needed. Enforcement of the current ordinance, especially of amplified sound in the area of Lower King Street, the Marina, and Waterfront Park, need to be improved. This includes unauthorized use of City electrical power outlets. Thank you.	9/22/2021 7:17 AM
212	The city sees increasing numbers of vehicles with engines tuned to produce excessive, piercing noise. This is annoying, and is frightening and intimidating to pedestrians and cyclists.	9/22/2021 4:43 AM
213	Multifamily building noise is my primary concern.	9/21/2021 8:01 PM
214	Make clear what owners' responsibility is to reduce noise from their vehicle.	9/21/2021 6:07 PM
215	Areas zoned for Mixed-use. Enhanced building codes for improved sound proofing in mixed use and multi family units especially those residential units horizontally or vertically adjacent commercial units. Extending noise in public places by use of Overlay for additional business districts along mt. Vernon Ave in Del Ray, Arlandia etc.	9/21/2021 6:00 PM
216	Heavy enforcement of residential ordinance over commercial in a mixed use residential dominant property.	9/21/2021 5:56 PM
217	Please provide information on the devices used to establish decibel levels and their calibration schedule.	9/21/2021 5:51 PM
218	For questions 7 and 14/policy options 2 and 9, I think 9pm is too late, it should be 7pm, or 8pm at the latest. For question 15/policy option 10, \$50 is reasonable for a first violation but the penalties for 2nd and 3rd violations should be increased. Does that ordinance allow subsequent violations to be on the same day, e.g. they have a first violation, the enforcing agency leaves and they continue the noise unabated, can the enforcer come back the same day and issue a 2nd violation? If that's not allowed currently, it should be.	9/21/2021 5:38 PM
219	The City should not permit businesses or commercial developers to circumvent noise ordinance provisions in the CDD, DSUP or SUP process.	9/21/2021 5:30 PM
220	Church-related outdoor events where loud music can be heard, including outdoor church services at dawn (typically Easter) and any music or movie events held outdoors on church property that can be heard in the residential areas nearby. Loudspeaker noise from night games held at Alexandria HS field.	9/21/2021 4:51 PM
221	Gas-powered lawn equipment is a nuisance, and the code as it is written should be enforced, even if that precludes most use of said equipment. Electric equipment is quieter, and sufficient to the job now.	9/21/2021 4:45 PM
222	You should explain the options in plain language (see plainlanguage.gov) within the survey itself, versus expecting people to watch a long and rather dry video presentation, which most people won't do. Please ban gas-powered leaf blowers.	9/21/2021 4:44 PM
223	The City should consider special restrictions on AirBNB, VRBO, and other short-term rental units in residential areas (rentals by the day). People that rent the AirBNB unit several houses from mine in South Old Town often talk/play music very loud in the backyard in the middle of the night as well talk loudly on the street when packing the car early in the morning (e.g., 4:00am) or arriving late in the evening (e.g., midnight). If there is an issue, the renters are gone by the time anyone can address the issue. The owner must be held responsible and the owners need to have recourse against the renters. For any resident in Old Town, I wish there was greater awareness and sensitivity that talking/laughing in the backyard in the middle of the night can be heard by the neighbors. In some instances, people are loudly talking mere feet from a neighbor's house.	9/21/2021 4:22 PM
224	Number 1: Drag racing is a MAJOR on-going, unchecked problem and occurs weekly toe even nightly. It prevents residents from living in peace and quiet enjoyment.	9/21/2021 4:14 PM
225	Establish a 3 to 5 year phase-out period for internal combustion powered landscape equipment, to be replaced by battery powered equipment, without regard to hours of use. Limit use of	9/21/2021 4:03 PM

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vehicles equipped with backup alarms within 1000 feet of residential areas to the hours of 8 AM to 9 PM.

226	Audibility of animal noise (e.g., barking dogs) should not be restricted to whether windows are closed since not everyone should be expected to have air-conditioning and it's not environmentally desirable to use it at night when summertime nighttime temperatures are seasonable.	9/21/2021 3:45 PM
227	Work to address the sound/noise issues from modified exhausts. I realize enforcement will be a challenge, but particularly in neighborhoods and areas with cut-through traffic on the West End, this has become a significant quality of life issue.	9/21/2021 3:38 PM
228	REMOVE THE MODIFIED MUFFLERS. I can almost live with everything else, but these damn mufflers and speeding go at all hours of the night.	9/21/2021 3:10 PM
229	Ban gas- powered leaf blowers.	9/21/2021 3:06 PM
230	Drag racing cars and loud mufflers and car music on residential streets, particularly after dark. Reduce use of loud sirens on emergency use vehicles when there is little or no traffic on the street - Janneys Lane in particular. Reduce through truck traffic on Janneys Lane.	9/21/2021 2:31 PM
231	(1) As noted above, car noise is a serious problem for which the City should collaborate with the State and Federal government in addressing. (2) These questions were not well crafted. Some questions are phrased as "should the city consider," while others are "should the city do X in lieu of Y?" Considering and doing are two different concepts. As another example, Q8 - should the city do A or B, but the answer is Y or N. For Q12, benefits of overnight delivery include fewer trucks impeding traffic and parking during the day, but the noise near homes can be disruptive. More info is needed to fairly answer this question. Q13 is overly broad - maybe not extend it to the entire city but perhaps instead extend it to select areas. And for Q15, I support this for people with means who feel entitled to bend and break the rules, but have concerns about imposing monetary fines on those without the financial means to pay them - it is not a crime to be poor.	9/21/2021 2:22 PM
232	Trains and helicopters	9/21/2021 2:20 PM
233	My neighbors are playing loud music all times of the day and late night and when I call the police they say they can't send a car to enforce the rules anymore unless there is a fight and weapons are involved. This is horrible! Therefore nothing is being done! It's irritating and we are paying taxes and their salaries but we can't sleep at night!	9/21/2021 2:05 PM
234	nothing.	9/21/2021 1:57 PM
235	Regarding #14, the city should consider expanding the "Noise in Public Places" to other parts of the city with concentrated commercial use such as Mt Vernon in Del Ray and the new shipping center in North Old Town but I'm not sure what the implications are for residential vs commercial use of it is expanded to "the entire city".	9/21/2021 1:46 PM
236	Speedsters	9/21/2021 1:29 PM
237	Airplanes and helicopters, air conditioners, generators	9/21/2021 1:26 PM
238	N/A. However, I have noticed that several residents have been pushing for a ban on gas-powered lawn mowers and leaf blowers and I strongly oppose this, as there is no other way for me to effectively manage my lawn and landscaping given its large size.	9/21/2021 1:19 PM
239	Address the drag racing (speeding) which results in loud noises	9/21/2021 1:10 PM
240	Most of these proposals seem to lean towards less restrictive noise control which is a bad idea. It has gotten so noisy in my neighborhood from construction and especially lawn care companies that often I cannot sit outside when I choose. Revisions to noise control should be focused on quality of life, which generally means enforcing and tightening restrictions as opposed to allowing more noise from businesses especially in residential areas.	9/21/2021 1:08 PM
241	when noise is created by loud talking, yelling music on the street on a persons block in front of their house in front of a store that does not seem to be addressed here, a public street or public area is used as the excuse people give for their being loud. difficult for neighbors to call on the matter in front of house or a business how can that be addressed if an officer sees this can't they say something if driving by or does a person have to call to have something done about it all the time	9/21/2021 12:57 PM

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242	Require regular monitoring by police/City of the ordinances rather than relying on neighbor complaints.	9/21/2021 12:55 PM
243	The construction noise pollution in North Old Town is terrible and seems unregulated. It is loud. It is constant and it is a burden for those who live here.	9/21/2021 12:51 PM
244	Institute substantial penalties to the Management companies of multi-family properties for their contractors and themselves NOT ADHERING to City noise standards. Currently, such Management says "prove it" to complainers, who do not have the equipment to do so.	9/21/2021 12:27 PM
245	#7, 8, 9 and 14 of these questions are too confusing for me to adequately answer. Please rewrite more clearly..	9/21/2021 12:22 PM
246	Take nuisance barking more seriously. Make it mandatory for animal control come out and see the dog themselves. Stop using Covid-19 as an excuse to not address the problem face to face.	9/21/2021 12:22 PM
247	Ban the use of leaf blowers or at least reduce the decibels allowed. My condo association has more than one person use the blowers, often up to 2-6 people. It's Incredibly loud. They do it for grass, leaves, gutter cleaning, etc	9/21/2021 12:13 PM
248	The biggest issue is cars with purposefully loud mufflers. This really should be addressed. It has an extremely negative impact on quality of life and serves no useful purpose.	9/21/2021 12:13 PM
249	Idling delivery trucks that run for long periods when delivering to retail and restaurant establishments, especially refrigerated trucks with the combined noise of the motor and AC compressor. Many trash haulers currently operate outside of allowed hours; they arrive very early in the morning and sit and wait with engines running. Technically not picking up or hauling, but still creating a noisy condition. Monitor trucks and haulers more closely and consistently. They ignore the rules and allowed times, and it's been my experience that the City does nothing when they are reported.	9/21/2021 12:12 PM
250	Barking dogs are the biggest noise problem and the city has no way to resolve this issue.	9/21/2021 11:59 AM
251	Make developers create sound buffers that actually work in multi-unit buildings. You shouldn't be able to hear the neighbors footsteps above you or conversations in adjacent rooms. Your treatment above of lawn care isn't clear, but it would be great to incentivize landscaping companies to start buying quieter machines. The company that takes care of my neighbor's yard, for example, uses blowers that sound like chain saws. Really! Similarly, create a program to teach low income people how to care for trees (so we can have more sound buffers instead of people thinking they have to chop down trees they don't know how to care for). Incentivize developers to use sound absorbent building materials, and stop waiving green space regulations when they build. Require them to plant more trees and other greenery. All of that will not only help with noise abatement, but it will keep us from turning into an ugly and noisy concrete jungle a la Ballston.	9/21/2021 11:56 AM
252	Don't make laws that we /do not or cannot enforce.	9/21/2021 11:53 AM
253	Require developers of multifamily buildings to address the noise insulation from both the outdoor noise sources and indoor ones! For example, The Porter Del Ray building built in 2014 has a very poor sound insulation! You can hear your upstairs neighbors walking(stomping), doing laundry, etc! Good luck if your upstairs neighbors have kids/dogs! When it's windy outside the windows rattle! Oh yeah, the building is surrounded by the train tracks (think freight trains), soccer fields, and two dog parks... There have been multiple instances of dogs loud barking as early as 6:30 am and soccer spectators screaming on weekends as early as 8 am! The property manager tried, but failed adequately resolve the noise issues. This is a shame that one of the most expensive residential buildings in Alexandria subjects its residents to such noise issues!	9/19/2021 12:44 PM

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