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Agenda Item Number

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Date September 28, 2009

Communication from Patti Brown, to speak regarding noise in the Waterbury Neighborhood.

Moved by _____ to receive and file comments.

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Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

Rauh, Diane I.

What I want to do is:

To address the DM City Council on Sept. 28 to present petitions from DM residents asking that the DM and WDM City Councils work together on their noise ordinances to make them compatible. Des Moines' noise ordinance limits noise to 50 decibels after 10 p.m. at night. The WDM ordinance is 55, exceeding the Des Moines ordinance by 5 additional decibels. Noise, especially loud bass thumping frequently spills over from the Val Air Ballroom, sometimes as late as 1:30 am., to residential areas in Des Moines, crossing the municipal boundaries. This triggers numerous complaints by DM residents to WDM police. Because the WDM sound ordinance is more liberal, 55 decibels after 10 p.m., WDM police cannot issue a citation and DM police cannot go to WDM to issue a citation. In the Greater Des Moines metro area, municipal sound ordinances should be compatible.

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