

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DENTON GRANTING GREATER DENTON ARTS COUNCIL A NOISE EXCEPTION FOR THE AMPLIFY DENTON EVENT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026, FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 11:00 P.M. AT THE GREATER DENTON ARTS COUNCIL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton, the City Council may make exceptions upon application for sound levels or hours of operation when the public interest will be served thereby; and

WHEREAS, The Greater Denton Arts Council has made an application to the City Council for an exception to Section 17-20 of the Code of Ordinances regarding sound levels and hours of operation, in connection with the Amplify Denton event, which will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., at the Greater Denton Arts Council in Denton, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Amplify Denton is music and arts festival that serves as a fundraiser for the Greater Denton Arts Council (GDAC) and the Denton Music and Arts Collective (DMAC); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Denton finds that granting a noise exception for this event, subject to the restrictions contained herein, would serve the public interest; NOW THEREFORE,

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 17-20 of the Code of Ordinances, Amplify Denton is hereby granted an exception to said section's amplified sound prohibition subject to the following restrictions:

1. This exception to the limitations imposed by Section 17-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton, is granted only in connection with the operation of the Amplify Denton event in Denton, Texas, on Saturday, April 18, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
2. Amplify Denton agrees to take full responsibility for ensuring that the conditions of this exception are met and to take all reasonable measures necessary to avoid disturbing persons of ordinary sensibilities in the immediate vicinity of the event.
3. Amplify Denton agrees to cease using amplified loudspeakers on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 11:00 p.m.
4. Under no circumstances shall Amplify Denton employ the use of amplified loudspeakers past 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, 2026.
5. The Director of Parks and Recreation may approve modifications to the dates and times of the events.

6. Under no circumstances shall Amplify Denton employ the use of amplified loudspeakers that exceeds 75 dba for an outdoor event when measured from the perimeter of the source as measured by an approved measuring instrument.
7. This Ordinance confers no personal or property rights, and may be amended, modified, suspended, or revoked in whole or in part at the will of the City Council of the City of Denton, without any warning, hearing, or compensation, for any reason at all, or for no reason.
8. This Ordinance shall be strictly construed as an exception granted pursuant to Section 17-20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton. The City of Denton expressly reserves unto itself and all other persons any and all legal remedies, both civil and criminal, relating to excessive noise in connection with this annual event, and hereby disclaims any promissory, or equitable estoppel which might in any way impede the pursuit of such remedies by any person.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and approval and shall expire upon the completion of the Amplify Denton on Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 11:00 p.m.

The motion to approve this Ordinance was made by _____ and seconded by _____. This Ordinance was passed and approved by the following vote [___ - ___]:

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Gerard Hudspeth:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Vicki Byrd, District 1:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brian Beck, District 2:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Suzi Rumohr, District 3:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Joe Holland, District 4:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Brandon Chase McGee, At Large Place 5:	_____	_____	_____	_____
Jill Jester, At Large Place 6:	_____	_____	_____	_____

PASSED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

GERARD HUDSPETH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
INGRID REX, CITY SECRETARY

BY: _____

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
MACK REINWAND, CITY ATTORNEY



BY: _____