



Noise Control Ordinance

City Council - March 2, 2021

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Requested Council Action

- Approve Ordinance 3-2021 amending Sections 7-3-3 and 7-3-6 of the city code pertaining to noise control

Noise Control Ordinance

- **Currently:**

- Weekends on Main brought complaints of loud music
- For noise purposes, the Downtown is not defined
- Current noise ordinance includes Table showing business and residential uses that have different levels of sound pressure (decibels) limits
- The residential decibel levels are lower and do not meet industry standard for businesses

- **Proposed:**

- Define the Downtown District
- Add flexibility to sound pressure levels (decibels)
- Add new table for sound pressure level (decibels) for the Downtown District with specific decibels levels for specific days and times
- Define days and times for the Downtown District
- Flexibility for Downtown businesses to provide outdoor seating areas with musical entertainment to create a positive, comfortable atmosphere

Sound Pressure (decibels) Level Limit Tables

Current table will remain in the code for all other zone districts:

Use District	Day 7:00 A.M.–7:00 P.M.	Night 7:00 P.M.–7:00 A.M.
Residential	55	50
Business	60	55
Industrial	75	75

Proposed table for Downtown District with specific days, times and decibels levels:

USE DISTRICT	MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, SUNDAY		THURSDAY-SATURDAY	
BUSINESSES WITHIN DOWNTOWN DISTRICT	7:00 A.M.-7:00 P.M.	7:00 P.M.-7:00 A.M.	7:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M.	10:00P.M.-7:00AM
	60	55	80	55

Ordinance Definition

- New definition:
 - DOWNTOWN DISTRICT: The pedestrian oriented Downtown of Littleton bounded on the west by South Santa Fe Drive, on the north by West Belleview Avenue, on the east by the Railroad Tracks and on the south by West Church Avenue

Staff Recommendation

- Approve Ordinance #-2021 amending Title 7, Chapter 3 of the Littleton Municipal Code entitled Noise Control