

Notice of Public Hearing
SDSU Fraternity Noise and Litter Control Program
June 14, 2006

Since 1981, the City of San Diego has issued a noise variance to the San Diego State University Interfraternity Council (IFC), the governing body for SDSU's sixteen general fraternities, enabling the IFC to issue permits to member fraternities to exceed the normal sound level limits specified in the San Diego Municipal Code for a limited number of events under specified conditions (time, decibel limit, etc.). Since 1999, the United Sorority and Fraternity Council (USFC), SDSU's governing council for culturally-based social fraternities and sororities, has also been granted a variance to cover its member fraternities that operate official chapter houses. (Currently, two USFC fraternities operate chapter houses.) The variances allow each fraternity to apply for four permits per semester for events to be held on weekends or certain holidays, one Thursday night event per semester, and one weekday event during recruitment week each semester. Weekend and holiday events must conclude by 11:30 p.m. or midnight, depending on location; Thursday night events must conclude by 11:00 p.m., and weekday events during recruitment week must conclude by 9:00 p.m. No event may exceed four hours in duration. Fraternities that violate permit conditions are ineligible to apply for additional permits for one semester. In exchange for the privilege of receiving noise permits, the IFC and USFC have agreed to implement a Fraternity Noise and Litter Control Program. The terms of the variance and the agreement between the College Area Community Council (CACC) and the IFC and USFC regarding the Fraternity Noise and Litter Control Program are reviewed annually at the end of the academic year. The review meeting for 2005-06 was held May 22, and all parties agreed to continue the agreement without any substantive changes.

The community is invited to provide public input at the CACC meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at the College Rolando Branch Library, 6600 Montezuma Road. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., and the public hearing will be a special item of business on the agenda. After receiving a recommendation from the CACC, the City Noise Abatement and Control Administrator will determine the conditions for the noise variance issued to the IFC and USFC for the upcoming year.

For more information or a copy of the proposed agreement and variance, contact Doug Case, Coordinator, SDSU Center for Fraternity and Sorority Life, 594-2939, Doug.Case@sdsu.edu.

If you wish to receive notices when fraternities in your area are issued noise permits and/or a list of fraternity presidents and their telephone numbers and email addresses, please complete the form below and mail it to Doug Case, SDSU Center for Fraternity and Sorority Life, 5500 Campanile Drive, MC 7445, San Diego, CA 92182-7445, or email the information to Doug.Case@sdsu.edu.

Please send me a notice each time a noise permits is issued in my area.

Please send me a directory of fraternity presidents each semester.

Name _____ Address _____

To save postage and printing costs, please send me the information via email to the email address below:

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