

From: [Andrew Bauer](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Up North Tavern
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 5:01:13 PM
Attachments: [VH_logo_hrz.png](#)

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Hello,

I just wanted to give my two cents that I support the live music at the Up North Tavern. It's a great place for me to enjoy the sunshine while listening to live music. I feel very safe at the Up North. This is why I support them and local music they bring in.

Best Regards,

Andrew Bauer

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From: [Juli Wagner](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#); [Rummel, Marsha](#)
Subject: #77018 comment 5/22/23
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 2:59:14 PM

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I am sorely disappointed to see conditional approval recommended for a outdoor live music venue in the middle of a residential block and neighborhood, three nights a week for duration of the warm outdoor months. The businesses already has 3 venues and active live music indoors. That is 21 options a week already for live music within their businesses.

It seems this route of PD alteration is not the route that should be applied, based on comments heard in the recent neighborhood call. Should this be addressed before considering this request?

The Edgewater as I understand it worked with neighbors concerning volume limitations and included a sound shell in their design to mitigate the noise factor. Additionally, their music projects away from the neighborhood over a lake.

The High Noon Saloon has music on a patio. The patio is enclosed and points back to their building. Additionally, there is no residential dwellings immediately adjacent, and the ones near by are high rise apartments across a busy wide multilane road. Their hours of music are approximately 5-7 , and Thursday Friday and Saturdays.

Residents were heard in their objection and experience concerning live outdoor music outside their doorsteps.

Residents work in their homes, study, live and sleep here. Imagine a stage within 250 feet (or closer) to your front door, sound you cannot eliminate with closed doors and windows and you have meetings or obligations to attend to. This was the reality for the last 2+ years living next to the applicant businesses. The staff report and Alder Rummel's comments dismiss this lived experience and fail to adequately capture the experience of residents who spoke up the last 2+ years.

It seems residents are left with calling the police with a disturb he peace complaint. While this was helpful in collecting data, as residents were encouraged to do, it failed to address the problem and was subjective. Somehow there is not an acceptable option with the city to attempt to capture decibels, whether it is 60 dB or 80 dB, and help provide a limit on noise.

The reduction of hours in volleyball to 9pm is a welcome change. Windows and doors do not block loud screaming or yelling of volleyball participants when present.

If the city and alder insists on supporting the alteration, consider modifying for a residential neighborhood: one night, hours to 5-730, Thursday if not Friday or Saturday, and be more specific

about meaningful action to address volume and noise beyond calling the already burdened MPD with noise complaints. Residents live, work, study, live and sleep within steps here.

S Franklin St resident

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: 506-518 E Wilson Street and 134-148 S Blair Street; 6th Ald. Dist
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 12:27:53 PM

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I would like to point out that many of the late in comments from patrons of this establishment supporting this plan do not live in the direct vicinity of this establishment. Living 75ft from the stage with no buffer is quite a different experience than someone living two or more blocks away. I again urge you to not approve the weekly music plan as proposed or limit it to one night a week with an expiration of calendar year 2023. It is my firm belief that the sanctity and well-being within a person's home should outweigh the finical gain and entertainment of others.

Thank you

140s S Franklin St

Please keep me anonymous

From: [KENNETH CHRACA](#)
To: [Stouder, Heather](#); [Rummel, Marsha](#); [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: May 22 Meeting RE Essen Complex concerts.
Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 11:53:28 AM

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Committee and Alder Marsha,

Thanks for your work on the Essen Complex concert series.

We have had some problems with them in the past and we live on the west side of S Franklin half way up the block at 118. I would encourage two additional elements to the plan.

Please indicate how loud is permissible. Many devices have meters. Last year our decibel meter was considerably over 96 at times in an open front window. Heavy metal bands styles were especially a problem. Sound does bounce around.

Secondly, it be helpful to know what should neighbors do when the sound or crowd is excessive. In the past Essen Complex management were very disagreeable when contacted. Is there an appropriate procedure to solve the problem while it is occurring?

Thanks

Ken Chraca

118 S Franklin St

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: In support of live music at CBI/Essen Haus
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:04:05 PM

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Marsha Rummel

District 6 Alder

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From: Michael Murphy <murphymi20@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 4:58 PM

To: Rummel, Marsha

Subject: In support of live music at CBI/Essen Haus

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Hello Marsha, I was on a plane during the town hall meeting last night but wanted to provide my support for live music at CBI/Essen Haus. Thanks so much!--

Michael J. Murphy, PE, CEA, QCxP

Phone: 608.577.3608

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: Outdoor music
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:03:24 PM

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From: Debby Tjardes <debratjardes@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 6:07 PM

To: Rummel, Marsha

Subject: Outdoor music

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Hi, my name is Debby and I'm in support of the outdoor music at the Come Back In and Essen Haus. I live your district. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Debra Tjardes

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: Come Back Inn Music
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:02:49 PM

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District 6 Alder

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From: Michael David DeLong <mddelong@wisc.edu>

Sent: Saturday, May 20, 2023 10:33 AM

To: Rummel, Marsha

Subject: Come Back Inn Music

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Hi Marsha,

I currently live in your district and support live music at the Come Back Inn. These are the best experiences of summer in my opinion.

Best,
Michael

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: CBI
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:02:15 PM

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From: Jessica Tremel <tremelje5@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, May 20, 2023 1:22 PM

To: Rummel, Marsha

Subject:

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Hello Marsha,

I live in district 6 and I stongly support outdoor live music at the Up North and Come back in.

We first moved here 3 years ago and the outdoor music had given us so much happiness. We love supporting the artist, establishments and being able to enjoy the outdoors.

Thank you for your time,

Jessica Tremel

404 E. Wilson st.

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: Come back inn music
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:01:22 PM

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From: Aaron Tremel <ajtremel@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 20, 2023 1:26 PM
To: Rummel, Marsha
Subject: Come back inn music

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I live in district 6 on Wilson Street and I definitely support the outdoor music at come back in and Up North bar. My wife and I moved here three years ago and we have lived in three different places in this neighborhood and we love all the neighborhood establishments. We moved here during Covid and we didn't know what to expect and our first night moving here we saw a girl playing guitar and singing at come back in so we ran home and unloaded our stuff and went back down there and hung out for the night. over the three years we've lived here. We have met a lot of great friends and we follow a lot of the musicians that play other places around madison. A lot of people from around Madison come down here for entertainment and the vibe. I have heard a lot of them say that they really wish their neighborhood had more options of entertainment like this. I feel like our neighborhood is a entertainment area and we should do everything we can to support the small businesses and bring people here to have a good time.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
To: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Fw: Outdoor music at CBI, Essenhaus,Up North
Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 11:00:48 PM

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District 6 Alder

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From: bonnie akan <adclementineladyclaire@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 21, 2023 7:13 PM
To: Rummel, Marsha
Subject: Outdoor music at CBI, Essenhaus,Up North

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We live on South Blair Street and we miss the weekly outdoor music venue the owner of these establishments brought us. It was a beautiful, welcoming community activity.
Please work to bring this back. Thank you, Bonita Akan
Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kim Spiering](#)
To: [Rummel, Marsha](#); [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Cc: [Kim Spiering](#); [Ross Molot](#)
Subject: Essen Haus outdoor live music proposal
Date: Friday, May 19, 2023 3:51:03 PM

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Hello,

I am one of the thousands of music lovers that enjoy the outdoor live music at Essen Haus. I am aware that there are some neighbors that are annoyed/angry with these events. I recently moved downtown (a couple of blocks away from Essen Haus). Living downtown comes with the vibrancy of live outdoor music, festivals, Farmers Market, street parties, etc. along with lots of noise! Residents should understand that there is a downside of living downtown such as: the ongoing traffic, buses, ambulances, trains, and many other disturbances that continue **all year long**. "Summer" weather is brief in Wisconsin and I want to enjoy the outside events everyday I can. Essen Haus's proposal for live music Sunday, Monday, and Thursday until 9pm is very reasonable (I wish they would provide more days). Most downtown restaurants are closed on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday so Essen Haus's live music will fill this void.

Thank you---Kim Spiering

From: [ROSS MOLOT](#)
To: [Rummel, Marsha](#)
Cc: [Plan Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Essen Haus Outdoor Music Comment
Date: Thursday, May 18, 2023 10:31:11 PM

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Hello, I don't know the owner of the Essen Haus but live close by and love it. Having a vibrant downtown and supporting young artists is important to me. I moved downtown like so many others to enjoy the arts scene including outdoor music and food. The Essen Haus compromised by proposing 3 nights for a **few** hours of live music in the **early** evening (there are 3 side by side separate bar/restaurants, that is only 1 night/establishment). Last year, music was most days and it was fabulous. On the zoom meeting I heard the comments from a few unhappy neighbors. I want to emphasize there are the thousands of residents and visitors that really enjoy outdoor music at venues like Essen Haus. From my experience living in and experiencing central downtown, Madison is generally not quiet. Personally, I don't enjoy acoustic music and I did not appreciate the neighbors thinking that was a good compromise, especially since the proposed days and hours are already so very limited from what most of residents want. Why can't unhappy neighbors use earplugs or noise canceling headphones for in the early evening during the events.

In short, the proposal starting point is not only a watered down compromise but is a **one year trial**. Future liquor licenses depend on the establishment "behaving." Please let the Madison music scene flourish for at least the one year, after which everyone will have more information to make future decisions.

Ross Molot