

Outdoor Amplified Sound Permit Request

Fee: \$25

I am requesting a variance as allowed by City Ordinance 86-11 to have live music and/or use a sound amplification system.

Contact Name: _____

Street Address, City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: (primary) _____ (secondary) _____

Email address: _____

Date of Event: _____ # of guests: _____

1. Parks and Recreation Department has discretion for approval of permits based on park activity level on the day of the rental.
2. Please be considerate of other patrons near you and residents living next to parks. Although you may receive permission for this activity, the Police Department/Park Rangers can still issue a citation for amplified sound/live music violating the noise ordinance. You may be asked to lower the volume.
3. Park Rangers will monitor decibel levels during the duration of the event. If found in violation, the permit can be revoked and the amplified sound/live music shut down.

Landa Park and Cypress Bend Park:

- Amplified sound is not allowed before 8:00 AM or after 10:00 PM.
- Permit is valid for a **maximum of four (4) hours**.

Fischer Park Amphitheater, Faust Street Bridge, and Main Plaza:

- Amplified sound is not allowed before 8:00 AM or after 9:00 PM.
- Permit is valid for a **maximum of two (2) hours**.

	Area(s) Reserved	Max Hours	Start Time	End Time
	Landa Park: Dance Slab	4		
	Landa Park: Pavilion #16	4		
	Cypress Bend Pavilion	4		
	Fischer Park Amphitheater	2		
	Faust Street Bridge	2		
	Main Plaza	2		
	Other:			

Description of amplified sound to be used: _____

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Ordinance 82-9 Noise Prohibitions

c) **Maximum permissible sound levels.** No person shall conduct, permit or allow any activity or sound source to produce a measurable sound that exceeds the applicable dB(A) level listed below when measured, subject to the exception stated for residential districts only, at the nearest public right-of-way to the offending residence or business:

(1) Residential district.

a. Up to 85 decibels from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
b. Up to 75 decibels at all other times.

A police officer taking a noise measurement in a residential district may take the measurement from either the closest public right-of-way to the offending residence or with the consent of a complainant, may take the measurement from the property line of the complainant.

Ordinance 82-10 Noise prohibitions, public right-of-way and property

a) In addition to the general noise prohibition, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to play, use, operate or permit to be played, used or operated any radio, tape recorder, cassette player, compact disc player, DVD player, MP3 player or other machine or devise for reproducing sound, if the sound generated is audible at a distance of 50 feet or more from the device producing the sound and the device is located in or on any of the following:

(1) Any public property, including any public street, highway, building, sidewalk, park, waterway or thoroughfare;

b) The prohibitions of this section shall not apply to any athletic event, cultural event or concert authorized by the city.

I certify that I have read the Permit Regulations and that the above information is true and correct.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email completed permit to parks@newbraunfels.gov \$25 permit fee is required after approval.

For Office Use Only:

Date Request Received: _____ Received By: _____

Approved: _____ Denied: _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

Decibel Reading: _____ Time: _____

Ranger on Duty: _____ Signature: _____

AFTER APPROVAL, PLEASE BRING THIS FORM THE DAY OF YOUR EVENT