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To Whom it May Concern:

Please accept this late submitted comment. I did not know this matter was being considered today until this afternoon.

I am a resident of District 6, and I would like to voice my opposition to the May 18-19 concert being allowed at Woodward Park. I am against it being held at Woodward Park in general, and I am particularly against the noise ordinance being waived to allow them to continue until 12:00 am, rather than 10:00 pm.

This past September 23rd, I ended up researching my neighborhood's proximity to the amphitheater in Woodward Park because of a concert that was held there that night. According to Google Maps, my neighborhood is 1.8 miles (as the bird flies), from the amphitheater. On the night of September 23rd, after 9:00 pm at night, my pregnant wife was kept awake by the sound of voices and deep bass coming from the concert, which was clearly audible in our bedroom, and was literally causing vibrations in our wall and windows. It was so loud I assumed it was a house party, and decided to try and drive to the party to ask them to turn it down.

I was shocked when I followed the noise and found that it was actually a permitted event taking place so far from our house. Additionally, when I finally found out it was happening at the park, I was on Friant Rd, and the concert was just getting over (around 10:00 pm). I observed several cars pulling off to the dirt shoulder off of Friant Rd to pick people up from the concert, and several people jaywalking across Friant Rd. It seemed a little chaotic/unsafe to say the least, and I wonder if there were even that many people at the September 23rd event.

I do not believe this area of Fresno, and particularly Woodward, is conducive to such a massive influx of people for this event. And, I do not believe the noise ordinance should be waived until midnight.

Unlike September 23rd, my wife will not longer be pregnant in May, but she will be taking care of a newborn, and we should not have to hear music in our bedroom until midnight.

Thank you,
Jeff