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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 2, 2025 11:45 PM  
**To:** P&Z Commissioners <PZCommission@sanmarcostx.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Industry Bar Noise Violations

Good Evening Planning and Zoning Commissioners,

I hope you all are able to enjoy a peaceful evening and are undisturbed by Industry Bar's outdoor music, which is clearly exceeding 75 decibels at 10:42 PM on this Wednesday, April 2, 2025. I am attaching a video that I took with my cell phone inside my home on Centre St. that is able to pick up the noise pollution caused by Industry Bar.

I recently watched the video from last year's Conditional Use Permit meeting for Industry Bar and was extremely disappointed to see that most Commissioners approved their request to play outdoor music until midnight on weekdays. This establishment has a history of noise violations—they've been cited multiple times—yet this issue was largely ignored and never addressed during the CUP discussion.

What's more concerning is that the extended hours for outdoor music weren't even on the agenda; they were introduced at the last minute. Had I known this would be discussed, I would have attended to voice my objections. I would have reminded the Commissioners of Industry Bar's repeated violations and the owners' blatant disregard for the neighborhood and false claims of self-regulating their outdoor music. And yet, they continue to get away with these lies. Tonight, an officer measured their outdoor music at 86 decibels, resulting in yet another noise violation citation. How many times does this bar need to be cited before the Commissioners finally take action to protect the neighborhood?

The owners have shown a blatant disregard for both the rules and the residents, and it's time for accountability but time and again, they are given a slap on the wrist, a false scolding of "don't do it again," and a "here is your approved CUP with more privileges, we will see you in a year or so."

Respectfully,

Yer Chang

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**In the attached video the phone is facing the window but the blinds make it difficult to verify what the window is facing. There is very faint drumming noise that is hard to hear over the air conditioning.**

**From:** Andy Greenwood <greenwood78666@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 3, 2025 3:37 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Industry Bar CUP

City Manager, P&Z commission:

The City's Planning and Zoning Commission has recently approved late night outdoor music to be played by the Industry bar until 12am 7 days a week. This approval directly undermines our noise ordinance and negatively impacts property values, the peaceful enjoyment of individual property owners, other businesses and renters.

On Wednesday, March 5th at approximately 9pm I attempted to go to bed only to be disturbed by a disruptive drum beat and dissonant vocals heard inside my bedroom. At the time I could tell it was coming from the general direction of the Industry bar, but remembered they were cut off from outdoor concerts after 10pm. 10:15pm rolled around and the music became louder. I got up and got dressed and verified the Industry Bar was in fact holding a concert. I saw and recorded the band playing on the outside patio of the bar for approximately 5 customers.

I called in a noise complaint to the San Marcos Police Department to which the officer arrived too late and when the band was wrapping up. Officer Dehkordi, the responding officer, called me to inform me that he was unable to get a decibel measurement and also informed me that Industry Bar's CUP is now allowing music to be played until 12am 7 days a week as of August 2024. Officer Dehkordi, apologized for not being able to get a decibel measurement and informed me that response time can be challenging with so many other police issues taking precedence. He said sometimes they can't respond to noise complaints until after the bar is closed for the night.

This concert during a week day is unacceptable and I was directly impacted to where I lost a full day of work due to lack of sleep. My job requires me to work with electricity and there is no way I can go into an electric panel feeling groggy.

I was in San Marcos the whole month of August and I did not see a CUP posted at the Industry's Location, nor did I receive a letter in the mailbox. The neighbors I have spoken to do not recall a posted CUP sign for Industry either. Please provide a date and time stamped photo of the posted sign and a copy of the mailed letter for this CUP hearing that took place in August 2024. I have spoken to several neighbors and not one person I've spoken to saw or report receiving a notice of the Industry Bar's application.

How is the city entertaining any application to play outdoor music past 10pm when our ordinance specifically states anything over 75 decibels heard from the property line is a violation? It is impossible to NOT go over 75 decibels while playing any amplified music or holding any outdoor concert.

Last night on April 2nd another loud concert reached my breaking point to which I called in the noise violation to the police department. This time an officer was able to be dispatched and cited Industry bar for excessive noise. Industry Bar's management told the officer they were able to play music up to 92 decibels.

I have already endured too many outdoor concerts without complaint, but they are becoming more and more frequent and unbearable. How many passes and pleas of ignorance are you going to give the owners of Industry Bar?

What are you going to do about this?

Thank you,  
Andy Greenwood

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