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**Public Hearing on SDSU Fraternity Noise and Litter Control Program  
Set for June 8 CACC Meeting**

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 weekend or holiday events under specified conditions (time, decibel limit, etc.). In exchange for this privilege, the IFC has agreed to implement a Fraternity Noise and Litter Control Program. In 1999, the United Sorority and Fraternity Council (USFC), SDSU's governing council for culturally-based social fraternities and sororities, was also granted a variance to cover its member fraternities that operate official chapter houses. (Currently, two USFC fraternities operate chapter houses.) The terms of the variances 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.

CACC, IFC and USFC representatives met on May 9 to draft an agreement and proposed variance for the year beginning August 1, 2005. The representatives agreed to renew the 2004-05 agreement for 2005-06 year with the following changes:

- (1) Each council (IFC and USFC) would be able to grant one permit to itself annually for an on-campus event. (This would be an alcohol-free event.)
- (2) Currently, fraternities can receive three noise permits on specified weekends during the pre-recruitment and recruitment period at the beginning of each semester. In lieu of one of these weekend permits, a fraternity would be able to issued a permit for a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday during the council's designated recruitment week (typically the third week of the semester), for a maximum of three hours between 4:30 – 9:00 p.m. (These would be alcohol-free events.)

**The community is invited to provide public input at the CACC meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 2005 at the Faith Presbyterian Church, 5075 Campanile Drive. 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.

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