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Until last month, I lived two houses away from The Tap Shack on Rice Street. Crappy loud amplified music was forced on me several times a week. In Las Vegas and Reno — two cities with noise ordinances — that identical music would have exceeded the legal permitted levels in those cities. I measured it.

And after the music stopped and the bar closed, I had to hear the drunks arguing in the street, slamming car doors, revving motorcycles, dumping trash, and carrying the party on and on close to midnight.

Yeah, I know — you believe having the sheriff take care of noise in Carson City is a good solution. It isn't. That's a horrible use of law officers, and what should have been protecting me was good zoning practice. Who permits a loud bar in an area with residences? The houses were there before the bar. I moved there before the outside music crap started. I used to send Mayor Bagwell frequent recordings of the schlock blasting from the bar several times a week. Recorded in my living room with all windows shut.

And the new owners of the bar are excited about having frequent closed street events. Well, of course — let's close the street to the RESIDENTS who LIVE there!! And by the way, don't bother to clean up afterwards — the nice folk on that street will pick up the garbage and broken bottles the patrons left behind.

The mayor tried to get my neighbors to sign a complaint petition. I'm not surprised that she couldn't get it done because everyone wants to be a good neighbor. The residents are good neighbors. The tattoo parlor is a good neighbor. The historical society is a good neighbor

I'm not telling you this because I want my quiet life back. I have already left. I have judged Carson City to be lacking in creating a livable city for everyone — not just owners of popular bars. I have chosen to go somewhere that doesn't require me to close all my windows and turn up my tv volume to drown out more bad renditions of country's top twenty.

Carson City should have done better.

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