Final devoicing is a phonological process by which the opposition of homorganic fortis (long closure) and lenis (short closure) obstruents in domain / word or syllable final position (Rad ‘wheel’ and Rat ‘advice’) is neutralized. Despite the longstanding debate regarding the completeness of the process (e.g. Port & O’Dell 1985) final devoicing can be considered quite robust in the standard variety spoken in Germany (e.g. Fourakis & Iverson 1984). For the southern dialectal varieties of German, like Bavarian (spoken in Germany and Austria) it has been claimed that the final voicing contrast is maintained in terms of a durational contrast in word final position. The case of the standard variety spoken in Austria is less clear as it shares features both with Standard German and the Bavarian dialect. This raises the question as to whether the variance regarding final devoicing can be attributed to the Bavarian influence on Standard Austrian German which should be greater in older than in younger speakers of this variety or to the general pattern of incomplete neutralization which is also found in Standard German German. The current contribution includes data from 19 speakers of the Viennese Standard Variety (VS) and 16 speakers of the Viennese Dialect (VD). The data is automatically segmented with MAUS (Schiell 1999) and the analysis has been carried out with R (R Core Team 2017). Preliminary analyses indicate that the speakers of the Viennese varieties show a tendency to maintain the duration of the word final plosive (normalized to word duration) in word pairs like Rad and Rat. Furthermore, the evidence for younger WS speakers to differentiate the final plosive via the duration is less pronounced than for older WS speakers, suggesting that final devoicing might be on the increase in younger speakers of the Viennese Standard variety. The results will be discussed in light of a potential sound change in progress by which final devoicing becomes more important in southern varieties of German. One focus will be on the question as to whether such a change is fueled by internal vs. external factors.