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State of MN Trust Exempt
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VIA MAIL

Re: Remove or Repair of the Structure at 686 Minnehaha Avenue West

Dear Interested Parties:

This is to confirm that at the Legislative Hearing on October 25, 2022 at which no one appeared, Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond recommended that the City Council **remove the building within 5 days with no option to repair.**

For your reference, the following items must be completed before receiving a grant of time from the City Council to rehabilitate the property:

- 1. Post a \$5,000 Performance Deposit with the Department of Safety & Inspections;**
- 2. submit evidence of financing sufficient to complete the rehabilitation.** Staff estimates costs to exceed \$75,000. If total for bids are more than 20% less than staff estimate, a high level of detail will be required. Financing could be business or personal accounts, a line of credit, or construction loan. Other types of financing will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis;
- 3. apply for a Code Compliance inspection with the Department of Safety & Inspections. Your code compliance application must include lock box code and box must be attached to door for use;**
- 4. submit an affidavit indicating the finances will be dedicated to completing the project** and not diverted until a code compliance certificate is issued; and
- 5. submit work plan, sworn construction statement, or scope of work.** This should include **signed** subcontractor bids and a **schedule** for completion of the project; and
- 6. the property must be maintained.**

The performance deposit and code compliance forms can be found online here: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/safety-inspections/vacant-buildings>. Please contact the

Department of Safety and Inspections directly at 651-266-8989 for questions regarding the application or payment process.

This matter will go before the City Council at Public Hearing on **Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 3:30 pm. in room 300 City Hall.** If you are contesting Ms. Moermond's recommendation you may:

- appear in person (please arrive before 3:30 p.m. and check in with staff outside Council chambers)
- send written testimony to be added to the record to legislativehearings@ci.stpaul.mn.us or by voicemail at 651-266-6805
- **Should you wish to address Council directly but not appear in person, you must register in person by noon on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 here to testify via phone:**
<https://www.stpaul.gov/department/city-council/city-council-public-hearing-live-testimony>.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-266-8585.

Sincerely,

/s/

Joanna Zimny

Legislative Hearing Executive Assistant

c: Rehabilitation & Removal staff