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VIA MAIL

Re: Remove or Repair of the Structure at <u>1457 Third Street East</u>

Dear Mr. Berger:

This is to confirm that at the Legislative Hearing on May 24, 2022 Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond will ask on June 8 that the City Council refer the matter back to **Legislative Hearing on Tuesday**, **June 14, 2022 at 9 a.m.**

At that time it is expected you will have an update on status of clearing title and ownership. Please remember that the property must be maintained and is under a microscope while going through this process. The Legislative Hearing officer strongly encourages you to seek legal advice as to your title and ownership position of this property.

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

- 1. If you are intending to have a third party rehabilitate the property, pending transfer of title, the contract used for this transaction will need to be approved by the Legislative Hearing Officer. Please note that title cannot transfer until the rehabilitation is complete and nuisance abated;
- **2. past due real estate taxes must be brought current** (real estate taxes for 2019, 2020, and 2021 are delinquent in the amount of \$26,696.92);
- 3. post a \$5,000 performance deposit with the Department of Safety & Inspections;
- 4. apply for a Code Compliance inspection with the Department of Safety & Inspections;
- **5. submit evidence of financing sufficient to complete the rehabilitation.** Staff estimates costs to exceed \$50,000. 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;



- **6. submit an affidavit indicating the finances will be dedicated to completing the project** and not diverted until a code compliance certificate is issued; and
- 7. **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
- 8. the property must be maintained.

Samples of these items will be sent at a later date. If you would like them sooner, please let me know.

This matter will go before the City Council at Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 3:30 pm. in room 300 City Hall. If you are contesting Ms. Moermond's recommendation you may appear in person or 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 the Tuesday immediately prior to your Public Hearing here:

https://www.stpaul.gov/department/city-council/city-council-public-hearing-live-testimony. If you don't wish to contest, no further action is needed and the Council will proceed with Ms.

Moermond's recommendation above.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-266-8515.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joanna Zimny Legislative Hearing Executive Assistant

c: Rehabilitation & Removal staff