



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

RECEIVED

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

OCT 05 2020

CITY CLERK

We need the following to process your appeal:

- ☒ \$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul) (if cash: receipt number _____)
- ☒ Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed
- ☒ Attachments you may wish to include
- ☒ This appeal form completed
- ☐ Walk-In OR ☒ Mail-In
- for abatement orders only: ☐ Email OR ☐ Fax

HEARING DATE & TIME

(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Time 1:30 p.m.

Location of Hearing:

~~Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse~~

Teleconference

Call between 1:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 709 Bedford Street City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55103

Appellant/Applicant: Laurel Hedlund Email: LRHedlund@gmail.com

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell 651.245.3261

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9/30/20

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Bedford Street LLC

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: PO Box 40213, St. Paul, MN 55104

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell 651.245.3261

What Is Being Appealed and Why?

Attachments Are Acceptable

- ☐ Vacate Order/Condemnation/Revocation of Fire C of O
- ☐ Summary/Vehicle Abatement
- ☒ Fire C of O Deficiency List/Correction
- ☐ Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- ☐ Vacant Building Registration
- ☐ Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)

Comments:

Appeal of Item #9 on the deficiency list. The room in question has 2 large windows that open into the front patio as egress. See attached pictures. Adding an additional window in the other wall is not feasible given it has a stucco exterior and the building is 120+ years.



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806

Telephone: 651-266-8989
Facsimile: 651-266-8951
Web: www.stpaul.gov/dsi

September 21, 2020

LAURD HEDLUND
PO BOX 40213 ST. PAUL, MN 55104
ST PAUL MN USA

FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 709 BEDFORD ST
Ref. #110208
Residential Class: C

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on September 18, 2020 for the renewal of your Fire Certificate of Occupancy. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected prior to the re-inspection date.

A re-inspection will be made on October 20, 2020 at 10:45 AM.

Failure to comply may result in a criminal citation or the revocation of the Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building shall be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING TENANTS IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LIST OF DEFICIENCIES ARE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Exterior - Fence - SPLC 34.08(5), 34.32(3) - All accessory structures including, but not limited to, detached garages, sheds and fences shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair. Provide and maintain exterior unprotected surfaces painted or protected from the elements. -The fence on the left side is missing the top support rod.

2. Exterior - House - SPLC 34.09 (1)(2), 34.33 (1) - Provide and maintain all exterior walls free from holes and deterioration. All wood exterior unprotected surfaces must be painted or protected from the elements and maintained in a professional manner free from chipped or peeling paint. -On the back of the house, a section of the fascia cover is missing. There is another section where the fascia cover is coming loose.
3. Interior - Basement - MMC 504.6 - Provide, repair or replace the dryer exhaust duct. Exhaust ducts for domestic clothes dryers shall be constructed of metal and shall have a smooth interior finish. The exhaust duct shall be a minimum nominal size of four inches (102 mm) in diameter and installed in accordance with the mechanical code. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-The dryer duct has disconnected.
4. Interior - Basement Door - MSFC 1008.1.9.3 - Remove unapproved locks from the exit doors. The door must be openable from the inside without the use of keys or special knowledge or effort. -Remove the slide bolt on the basement door.
5. Interior - Bathroom - SPLC 34.11 (1), MSBC 2902.1, SPLC 34.35 (1), MPC 301.1 - Repair or replace and maintain all parts of the plumbing system to an operational condition. -Repair or replace and maintain an approved private toilet. This work may require a permit(s). Call LIEP at (651) 266-9090. The toilet in the upstairs bathroom is very loose. Secure the toilet and provide a seal along the bottom.
6. Interior - Brown Light Switches - MSFC 605.1 - Repair or replace damaged electrical fixtures. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-Throughout the house there are old brown light switches that have an exposed opening at the top. These switches are active and poses a shock hazard.
7. Interior - Door - SPLC 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition. -One the bedroom doors are missing the strike plate.
8. **Interior - Front Room - SPLC 34.23, MSFC 110.1 - This occupancy is condemned as unsafe or dangerous. This occupancy must not be used until re-inspected and approved by this office. -The first-floor front room has been condemned because the windows do not egress to the outside. The windows in this room leads to an enclosed front porch with items blocking the window. Discontinue sleeping in this room.**
9. Interior - Front Room - MSFC 1030.1 - Provide and maintain an approved escape window from each sleeping room or area, or discontinue use of area as a sleeping room. This work may require permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
10. Interior - Window - SPLC 34.09 (4), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the window in good condition. -The crank handle for the first-floor bedroom window is stripped.

Saint Paul Legislative Code authorizes this inspection and collection of inspection fees. For forms, fee schedule, inspection handouts, or information on some of the violations contained in this report, please visit our web page at: <http://www.stpaul.gov/cofo>

You have the right to appeal these orders to the Legislative Hearing Officer. Applications for appeals may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, 310 City Hall, City/County Courthouse, 15 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul MN 55102 Phone: (651-266-8585) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of this order.

If you have any questions, email me at: Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8955 between 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

Efrayn Franquiz
Fire Safety Inspector

Reference Number 110208



Renter Requested to include the following
in the appeal:

lrhedlund <lrhedlund@gmail.com>

Condemned bedroom

1 message

Billi Jo Henderson <billijohenderson@yahoo.com>

Wed, Sep 30, 2020 at 3:42 PM

To: Laurel Hedlund <lrhedlund@gmail.com>

Good afternoon to Whom it may concern,

Hi my name is Billi Jo Henderson, I am writing in concern of my daughters condemned bedroom.

I am a single mother of 5 seeking employment and on section 8, We have lived in Ms. Laurels property for two years now and have made it our home. It would be detrimental right now to find another four bedroom as its very hard to find suitable 4 bedrooms that take section 8. Right now with covid and income limits I cant afford to move with deposit and market rate rent and cost of moving. I dont want to become homeless with 5 kids if I cant find another place to rent and risk losing my section 8 voucher if I dont find another place within the 90 day limit. This has become our home and having a stable place to live has made life a lot better for me and my family and do not want to disrupt my children and their schooling. I want to thank you for reading my story and the truths about housing and lack of access families have when they have a voucher.

Please take this in consideration in your decision. I truly appreciate your time.

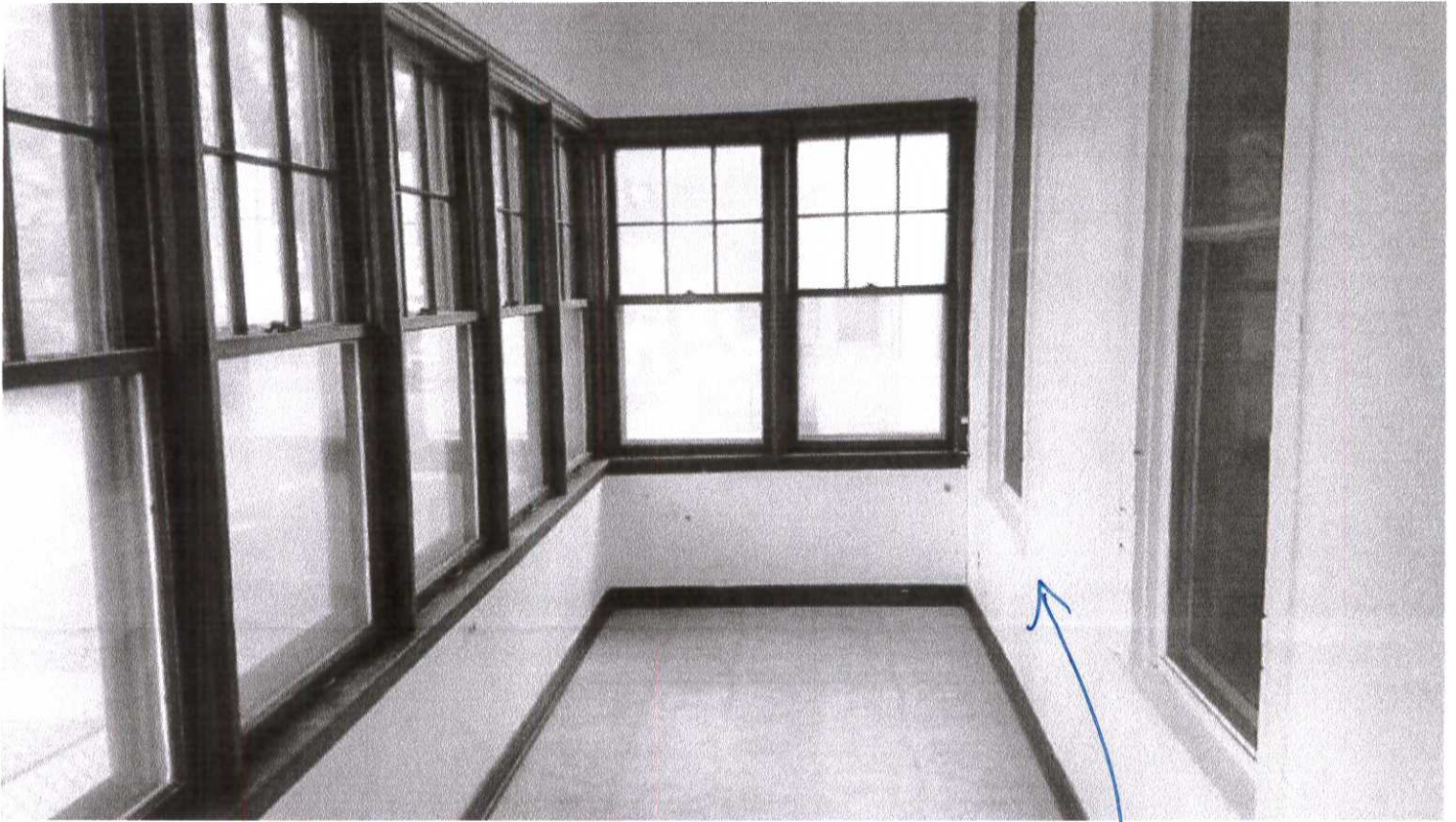
Thank you,

Best Regards,

BilliJo Henderson

651-424-3532

Note: Please do not make this email publicly available online, for the renters security. The house would only have 3 bedrooms if the renter is unable to use the room in question. Section 8 has performed annual inspections of the house & accepts the room in question as a bedroom.



Front Porch

2 Bedroom Windows

709 Bedford Street
St Paul MN 55130