

# **APPLICATION FOR APPEAL**

# Saint Paul City Council - Legislative Hearings

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We need the following to process your appeal:	CITY CLERK
\$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Sa (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	(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)  Tuesday, October 12, 202  Time: you will be called between  2:00 p.m. & H:00 p.m.  Location of Hearing:  Teleconference due to Covid-19 Pandemic
Address Being Appealed:	
Number & Street: 828 Ottawa Ave	City: Saint Paul State: MN Zip: 55107
Appellant/Applicant: Travis Temke	Email travistemke@gmail.com
Phone Numbers: Business Residence	
Signature:	Date: 9/27/21
Name of Owner (if other than Appellant):	
Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: 836 Ottawa Ave Saint Paul MN 55107	
Phone Numbers: Business Residence	Cell <b>763-350-4257</b>
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 Upper Level-Bedroom-SPLC 34.13 (1), see attachment	
Code Enforcement Correction Notice	
□ Vacant Building Registration	
Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)	

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Appeal Attachment - 828 Ottawa Ave

### Dear Hearing Official:

We are appealing the Correction Notice dated 9/22/21 for 828 Ottawa Ave. The Upper Level ceiling height is roughly 6'2" in over half of the floor area. When we purchased the house in 2020 the listing agent representing Ramsey County, the beneficiary of the estate, marketed the house as a 3 - Bedroom home. The entire upper level is considered as the third bedroom. The upper level room has three closest including a walk-in closet and built-in dresser drawers. There are a total of 5 windows throughout the room with at least one window facing each direction providing natural light. The upper level is connected to the home's central air system which provides cooling during the warm months and radiant heat for the winter months. There are two new smoke detectors and one CO2 monitor located in the upper level.

The prior owner did some renovation which included updated installation in the upper level ceiling and walls. It appears to us that when they added the installation this might have included lowering the ceilings to account for the new installation and ceiling covering. We also put in new flooring throughout the entire upper level which is 5%" of inch thick.

The prior owner used the upper level as a bedroom and this is how it was represented to us when we purchased the home. Currently we have a family using the upper level as a bedroom for the two parents and their newborn child. They enjoy how the upper level is set up as a bedroom and have no concern with the lower ceiling height. They recently have renewed their lease and would prefer not to leave to find different housing for their family of six.

Please consider our appeal and we look forward to answering your questions during the hearing.

Thank you, Travis Temke



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September 22, 2021

TRAVIS TEMKE 836 OTTAWA AVE ST PAUL MN USA

## FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE:

828 OTTAWA AVE

Ref. #126120

Residential Class: A

### Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on September 21, 2021 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 21, 2021 at 1:00pm.

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 reinspection fees.

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

#### DEFICIENCY LIST

- Main Level Bedroom MSFC 1030.2 Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
   -Egress window obstructed by the headboard.
- 2. Main Level MSFC 605.6 Provide electrical cover plates to all outlets, switches and junction boxes where missing.
  -Missing outlet cover.

- 3. Throughout MSFC 1103.8.1 Replacement of smoke alarms. Single- and multiple station smoke alarms shall be replaced when: They exceed 10 years from the date of manufacture. Smoke alarms shall be replaced with smoke alarms having the same type of power supply. -Replace the outdated smoke alarms.
- 4. Upper Level Bedroom SPLC 34.13 (1) Provide and maintain all habitable areas with a ceiling height of 7 feet over half the floor area.

  -Ceiling throughout the upper level only reaches 6 feet.

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: adam.powers@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8982 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,

Adam Powers Fire Safety Inspector

Reference Number 126120