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ERITREAN COMMUNITY CENTER - ATTN: DAWIT SELEMUN  
1933 UNIVERSITY AVE W  
ST PAUL MN 55104

### **Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate**

RE: 1941 UNIVERSITY AVE W  
Ref. # 121669

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on December 9, 2014, for the renewal of the Certificate of Occupancy. Since you have failed to comply with the applicable requirements, it has become necessary to revoke the Certificate of Occupancy in accordance with Section 40.06 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code. **A reinspection will be made on January 12, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. or the property vacated.**

The Saint Paul Legislative Code further provides that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. Failure to immediately complete the following deficiency list or the building vacated may result in a criminal citation.

#### DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Access - SPLC 34.19 - Provide access to the inspector to all areas of the building.-At time of re-inspection, access is needed to entire building. Keys for the North garage section were not available at time of inspection.
2. 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. - Repair or remove the damaged area of fencing near the South wall of storage building.
3. Exterior - Throughout - SPLC 71.01 - Provide address numbers on building. Minimum size 4 inches. Must be reflective or lit at night.  
Post '1941 University' on the rear storage building, this is the St Paul Public Works assigned address for the rear garage storage building at same parcel as 1933 University Ave W.

4. Exterior - Throughout - SPLC 34.09 (1) b,c, 34.33 (1) b, c - 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.- Repair damaged siding and walls in an approved and weather-resistant manner. Scrape and paint as necessary where peeling. Repair damaged concrete block wall in an approved manner where step crack is forming on South side of building.
5. Exterior - MSFC 304.3.3 - Relocate dumpster at least 5 feet away from combustible walls, openings, or combustible eaves and overhangs.
6. Fire Extinguisher - MSFC 901.6 - Provide required annual maintenance of the fire extinguishers by a qualified person and tag the fire extinguishers with the date of service.
7. Fire Extinguisher - MSFC 906.1, MN Stat. 299F.361 - Provide approved fire extinguishers in accordance with the following types, sizes and locations.- Fire extinguisher must be permanently mounted between 3 and 5 feet high in readily visible and easily accessible location.
8. Interior Storage - MSFC 315.2 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials.
9. Interior Storage - SPLC 34.10 (5), 34.33 (4), 34.16 - Provide and maintain interior in a clean and sanitary condition.- Dispose of trash and debris in the building as necessary.

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: [mitchell.imbertson@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:mitchell.imbertson@ci.stpaul.mn.us) or call me at 651-266-8986 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

Mitchell Imbertson  
Fire Inspection

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