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TO: City of Saint Paul Mayor and City Council Members

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FROM: Ricardo Cervantes-Director of the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI)

SUBJECT: 2019 Department of Safety and Inspections Fee Increase

In support of Mayor Carter's 2019 budget, the Department of Safety and Inspections seeks to increase all building permit, plan review and sign fees listed in Chapter 33 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code (SPLC) by 3%. The department also seeks to increase select business licensing fees (SPLC-Ch. 310) to be more in line with current workloads and industry norms.

Revenues resulting from these fee increases will cover the ongoing cost of two additional, permanent inspectors in the Construction Services section of DSI. The addition of two Construction Services inspectors will greatly assist in addressing the current customer demands for construction related permits and inspections.

For additional questions please contact me at 651-266-9101 or Deputy Director Travis Bistodeau at 651-266-1922.