



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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HEARING DATE & TIME
(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)
Tuesday, March 31, 2015

Time 1:30 PM

Location of Hearing:
Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 937^W Minnehaha^{AVE} City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55704

Appellant/Applicant: Alfredo Medina Email: Rudys213@gmail.com

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell (651) 352-9494

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 3/24/15

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Josephine Abraham

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: 25032 384th St SE Enumclaw, WA
98022

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence (360) 402-6755 Cell _____

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.)

Upper Floor Bedrooms
ceiling height are inches
short of requirement.



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March 16, 2015

JOSEPHINE ABRAHAM
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FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 937 MINNEHAHA AVE W
Ref. #122542
Residential Class: D

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on March 16, 2015 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 April 16, 2015 at 10:00am.

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. 937 (Residential) - SPLC 39.02(c) - **Complete and sign the smoke detector affidavit and return it to this office.**
2. Basement - Stairway - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - **Repair and maintain the door in good condition. Repair/replace the damaged door. Replace all missing handles/latches. Repair/replace all missing/damaged door frame/casing. Provide and maintain an operable door in a good state of repairs.**

3. Basement - Stairway - SPLC 34.10 (3) 34.33(2) - Provide an approved guardrail. Intermediate balustrades must not be more than 4 inches apart. Intermediate rails must be provided if the height of the platform is more than 30 inches.-**Install a code compliant guardrail on the stairway.**
4. Basement - Stairway - SPLC 34.10 (3), 34.33(2) - Provide an approved handrail. The top of the handrail must be between 34 and 38 inches above the treads and run the entire length of the stair.-**Install a code compliant handrail on the stairway.**
5. Basement - Stairway - MSFC 104.9, 1005.3.2.2 - **Remove the storage under the stairs or provide and maintain 1 hour fire resistive construction on the storage side of the stairs.**
6. Basement - MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area.-**Replace the missing hard-wired smoke detector.**
7. Breezeway - Doors - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition.-**Repair/replace the damaged exterior doors. Replace all missing handles/latches. Repair/replace all missing/damaged door frame/casing. Provide a weather tight seal around the door. Provide and maintain doors in an operable condition and in a good state of repairs.**
8. Exterior - Debris - SPLC 34.08 (6), 34.31 (4) - Remove the accumulation of exterior storage that creates a nuisance or harbors rodents.-**Remove the debris lying around the exterior of the property.**
9. Exterior - Gas Meter Protection - MSFC 603.9, 312.1 – Above-ground gas meters, regulators and piping subject to damage shall be protected by a barrier complying with section 312 or otherwise protected in an approved manner. Vehicle impact protection shall be provided by posts that comply with Section 312.2 or by other approved physical barriers that comply with Section 312.3. Guard posts shall comply with all the following: 1) Constructed of steel not less than 4 inches in diameter and concrete filled, 2) Spaced not more 4 feet between posts on center, 3) Set not less than 3 feet deep in a concrete footing of not less than a 15-inch diameter, Set with the top of the post not less than 3 feet above the ground, and 5) Located not less than 3 feet from the protected object.-**Replace the bent/damaged vehicle impact protection post on the east side of the house.**
10. Exterior - Vehicles - SPLC 163.03, 163.01 (2), (3) - Currently license (tabs) all vehicles on the property and return the vehicles to an operative mechanical condition or remove vehicles from the property.-**The Chevrolet Malibu, license plate# 729 HDP, has tabs that expired August 2012. The Ford Focus, license plate# 578 GAW, has tabs that expired January 2015. Provide current license on all vehicles or remove from the property.**

11. Garage - Exterior Surfaces - 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.-**Replace the missing fascia. Maintain all exterior surfaces in a good state of repairs and protected against the elements of the weather.**
12. Garage - Overhead Door - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition.-**Repair/replace the damaged overhead garage door. Maintain the overhead garage door in a good state of repairs and operable condition.**
13. Garage - Tire Storage - MSFC 2302.1 - Reduce and maintain tire storage height to 6 feet or less or provide approved high-piled storage protection.-**Storage height of tires is limited to 6 feet or less. Reduce the storage height to 6 feet or provide an approved high-piled fire sprinkler system. Also, provide several isles throughout the garage that extend to the exterior wall.**
14. Garage - SPLC 34.09 (1) a, 34.32 (1) a - Provide and maintain foundation elements to adequately support this building at all points.-**The garage concrete block foundation and exterior brick has severe cracks. Contact a licensed structural engineer to review structural issues with the garage walls and provide a report and a work plan to perform repairs to the structure under permit. All work must be done under permit and approved.**
15. House and Breezeway - Tire Storage - MN Stat 299F.18 - **Immediately remove and discontinue tire storage from within the house and breezeway.**
16. House and Garage - Gutters and Downspouts - SPLC 34.12 (2), SPLC 34.36 (1) - Repair and maintain all required and supplied equipment in an operative and safe condition to properly and safely perform their intended function in accordance with the provisions of the applicable code.-**Repair/replace the damaged/missing gutters and downspouts. Maintain gutters and downspouts in a good state of repairs and operable condition.**
17. Main Floor - Bathroom - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition.-**Repair/replace the door that is not closing/latching.**
18. Main Floor - Bathroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen.-**Replace the torn/missing window screen.**
19. Main Floor - Fire Extinguisher - MSFC 906.1, MN Stat. 299F.361 - **Provide one minimum 1A10BC fire extinguisher on each floor. They must be permanently mounted between 3 and 5 feet high in readily visible and easily accessible locations. Fire extinguishers are required to be serviced annually.**

20. Main Floor - Hallway - MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area.-**Replace the missing hard-wired smoke detector.**
21. Main Floor - Kitchen - SPLC 34.12 (2), SPLC 34.36 (1) - Repair and maintain all required and supplied equipment in an operative and safe condition to properly and safely perform their intended function in accordance with the provisions of the applicable code. -**Repair/replace the center burner on the gas range that is inoperable.**
22. Main Floor - Kitchen - MSFC 605.1- All light fixtures shall be maintained with protective globes if originally equipped.-**Replace the missing globe cover on the light fixtures.**
23. Main Floor - Kitchen - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.33 (6) - Repair and maintain the cabinets in an approved manner.-**Replace the missing cabinet door.**
24. Main Floor - Living Room - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition.-**Repair/replace the damaged exterior doors. Replace all missing handles/latches. Repair/replace all missing/damaged door frame/casing. Provide a weather tight seal around the door.**
25. Main Floor - Living Room - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.34 (6) - Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner.-**Repair all holes in the walls and maintain the walls in a good state of repairs.**
26. Main Floor - Southeast Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - Repair and maintain the window in good condition.-**Replace the broken window glass. Repair/replace the windows that are not staying in the open position.**
27. Main Floor - Southeast Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen.-**Replace the torn/missing window screens.**
28. Main floor - Bathroom - MSFC 605.1 - Repair or replace damaged electrical fixtures. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-**Repair/replace the electrical outlet that is showing REVERSED POLARITY on the inspectors electrical test device.**
29. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - Ext. Door SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition.-**Repair/replace the damaged door/door frame. Replace the missing door hardware (handle/latch/strike plate). Maintain the door in a good state of repairs and operable condition.**
30. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - Repair and maintain the window in good condition.-**Repair/replace the damaged window.**

31. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - **Repair and maintain the window lock.**
32. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen.-**Replace the torn/missing window screens.**
33. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - SPLC 34.13 (1) - Provide and maintain all habitable areas with a ceiling height of 7 feet over 1/2 the floor area.

East Bedroom

Dimensions: 15 feet X 10 feet = 150sf

Maximum Ceiling Height: 6 feet, 8 inches. Total area with this ceiling height: 80sf (8 feet X 10 feet).

Remaining Ceiling (10 feet X 3 feet, 6 inches = 35sf plus 10 feet X 4 feet = 40sf) slopes down to 4 feet, 1 inch and 6 feet, 1 inch respectively.

Discontinue use of the upper floor east bedroom or provide the required ceiling height.

34. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - MSFC 1003.3.1.8 - Remove unapproved locks from the unit doors. The door must be openable from the inside without the use of keys or special knowledge or effort.-**Remove the unapproved slide-bolt lock from the bedroom door.**
35. Upper Floor - East Bedroom - MN State Statute 299F.50 - **Immediately provide and maintain an approved Carbon Monoxide Alarm in a location within ten (10) feet of each sleeping area. Installation shall be in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.**
36. Upper Floor - Hallway - MSFC 605.1- All light fixtures shall be maintained with protective globes if originally equipped.-**Replace the missing globe cover on the light fixture.**
37. Upper Floor - Hallway - MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area.-**Replace the missing hard-wired smoke detector.**
38. Upper Floor - Northwest Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - Repair and maintain the window in good condition.-**Repair the windows that are not staying in the open position.**

39. Upper Floor - Northwest Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - Repair and maintain the window glass.-**Replace the broken/missing window glass.**
40. Upper Floor - Northwest Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.32 (3) - **Repair and maintain the window lock.**
41. Upper Floor - Northwest Bedroom - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen.-**Replace the missing/torn window screens.**
42. Upper Floor - Northwest Bedroom - SPLC 34.13 (1) - Provide and maintain all habitable areas with a ceiling height of 7 feet over 1/2 the floor area.

Northwest Bedroom

Dimensions: 14 feet X 7 feet = 98sf plus 3 feet X 4 feet, 6 inches = 13.5sf. Total 111.5sf

Maximum Ceiling Height: 6 feet, 8 inches. Total area with this ceiling height: 55.5sf (3 feet X 9 feet, 6 inches plus 6 feet X 4 feet, 6 inches).

Remaining Ceiling (14 feet X 4 feet = 56 sf) slopes down to 6 feet, 1 inch.

Discontinue use of the upper floor northwest bedroom or provide the required ceiling height.

43. Upper Floor - Stairway - SPLC 34.10 (3), 34.33(2) - **Provide an approved handrail. The top of the handrail must be between 34 and 38 inches above the treads and run the entire length of the stair.**
44. Upper Floor - Stairway - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.34 (6) - **Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner.**

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: wayne.spiering@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8993 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,

Wayne Spiering
Fire Inspector

Reference Number 122542