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APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

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YOUR HEARING Date and Time:

Tuesday, May 22, 2012

Time 1:30 p.m.

Location of Hearing:
Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1637 VAN BUREN AVE City: ST. PAUL State: MN Zip: 55104

Appellant/Applicant: JAMES A. BOBZIEN Email sales_tax@r.com

Phone Numbers: Business 651-602-0953 Residence N/A Cell 651-470-5686

Signature: [Signature] Date: 05-11-12

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): N/A

Address (if not Appellant's): N/A 905 Jefferson Ave. Ste. 302-4, St. Paul 55102

Phone Numbers: Business N/A Residence N/A Cell N/A

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
- Fire C of O: Only Egress Windows
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- Vacant Building Registration
- Other

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ATTACHMENT
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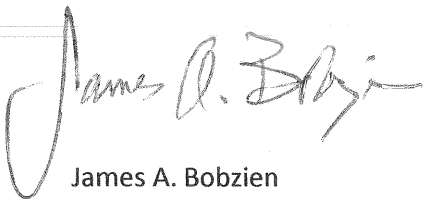
May 11, 2012

Re: 1637 Van Buren Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104, Ref. # 106531
Fire Inspection Correction Notice, 3d floor egress windows

Only Issue: 3d floor bedroom windows (Deficiency List #1)

- 1) This is the only identified deficiency being appealed: I am working with Mr. Imbertson to resolve the other issues.
- 2) This single family residence (see Mr. Imbertson with any questions as to classification) was built in 1908-1909. I purchased it in 1977.
- 3) The previous owner used the 3d floor south-facing room as a bedroom. It already was finished as such at the time of my purchase.
- 4) The room has been used as a bedroom since my purchase. I personally used it as a bedroom for some years.
- 5) To the best of my knowledge, these two, south-facing windows are original construction, as is the exterior trim around and between the windows. The top panes of the double hung windows are made up of true diagonal muntins, not snap-ins or grilles as is common in new construction. The muntins separate diamond shaped panes of glass, which are true divided lites. The bottom sashes are made up of single panes of glass.
- 6) These two windows are clearly visible from the front side of the house, and strongly contribute to the architectural integrity of the house. I have been restoring this house for over 30 years, including restoration of the original 4-inch lap siding and preservation of the wrap-around front porch with its original, elaborate spindled railing. To my knowledge, all windows in the house are original.
- 7) The existing windows exceed the minimum glazed area requirement, at 6.7 SF.
- 8) The existing windows exceed the minimum openable width requirement, at 23 inches.
- 9) The existing windows have a finished sill height of less than the maximum 48 inches allowable.
- 10) Both windows open freely.
- 11) The deficiency involves the minimum openable height: 24 inches required, and 20.5 inches actual.

For the above reasons, and in light of the 3.5 inch deficiency, I respectfully request that a variance be issued for the 3d floor bedroom windows.

 5/11/12

James A. Bobzien
Owner/Landlord



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May 4, 2012

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ST PAUL MN 55102-4740

UPDATED

FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 1637 VAN BUREN AVE
Ref. #106531
Residential Class: C

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on May 3, 2012 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 June 15, 2012 at 1:00 pm.**

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. 3rd Floor - Bedroom - MSFC1026.1 - Provide and maintain an approved escape window from each sleeping room. The minimum size must be 5 square feet of glazed area with a minimum of 24 inches of openable height and 20 inches of openable width. With a finished sill height not more than 48 inches. This work may require permit(s). Call DSI at (651)- 266-9090. Refer to the Escape Windows for Residential Occupancies handout for more information.-Window has an openable area of 20.5 inches high by 23 inches wide and a glazed area of 6.7 square feet.

2. 3rd 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.
3. 3rd Floor - MSFC 806.2 - Wall and/or ceiling finishes exceed the code requirements for flame spread ratings. Remove or provide documentation of flame spread compliance.- Remove cardboard from the walls in unfinished attic area.
4. Basement - Dryer - UMC 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. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
5. Exterior - House and Garage - SPLC 34.09 (1) e, 34.32 (1) d - Provide and maintained the roof weather tight and free from defects. Repair or replace roof under permit. Contact DSI at (651) 266-8989.

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 (651-266-8688) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of this order.

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If you have any questions, email me at: mitchell.imbertson@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8986 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,

Mitchell Imbertson
Fire Inspection

Reference Number 106531

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