



# City of Saint Paul

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## Minutes - Final Legislative Hearings

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Tuesday, June 24, 2014

9:00 AM

Room 330 City Hall & Court House

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### 9:00 a.m. Hearings

#### Remove/Repair Orders

- 1     [SR 14-53](#)     Reconsidering enforcement of Council File No. RLH RR 13-48, an Order to Raze or Remove the structures at 521 EDMUND AVENUE.
- Sponsors:**     Thao
- Greta Burgett, attorney for the Bank, indicated that her client has decided not to oppose the demolition of the property and will not be submitting any bids for demolition and will not oppose the bids submitted on behalf of the City. Therefore, DSI can proceed with demolition as proposed in Resolution RR 13-48.*
- RE: 521 Edmund Avenue (Single Family)*
- Ms. Nhia Vang:*
- read an email dated Mon, Jun 23, 2014 from Greta Burgett, attorney representing the bank (attached)
- Received and Filed**
- 2     [RLH RR 14-11](#)     Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 1100 MAGNOLIA AVENUE EAST within fifteen (15) days after the July 23, 2014, City Council Public Hearing.
- Sponsors:**     Bostrom
- No one appeared. Remove within 15 days with no option for repair.*
- RE: 1100 Magnolia Avenue East (Single Family)*
- Inspector Joe Yannarely:*
- 1 story wood frame single family dwelling with a detached 1-stall garage on a lot of 4,792 square feet
  - it's been a vacant building since Jun 24, 2011
  - current property owner is Ascent Community Redevelopment Associates LLC per Ramsey County Property records
  - Apr 9, 2014, inspection was conducted, a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance condition was developed; photos taken
  - Order to Abate a Nuisance Building was posted on Apr 14, 2014 with a compliance date of May 14, 2014

- as of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance as defined by the legislative code
- estimated market value: \$10,000 on the land; \$20,000 on the building
- real estate taxes are delinquent for 2012 and 2013 in the amount of \$8,661.27 including penalty and interest; taxes for the first half of 2014 have not been paid (property is scheduled for tax forfeiture Jul 2016)
- Vacant Building registration fees were paid by assessment on Jul 31, 2013; VB fees for 2014 are due and owing
- as of Jun 23, 2014, a Code Compliance Inspection has not been done
- as of Jun 23, 2014, the \$5,000 Performance Deposit has not been posted
- 18 Summary Abatement Notices since 2011
- 19 Work Orders issued for:
  - garbage/rubbish
  - boarding/securing
  - tall grass/weeds
  - snow/ice
- Code Enforcement estimates the cost to repair exceeding \$40,000; estimated cost to demolish exceeding \$12,000
- DSI, Division of Code Enforcement Resolution submitted for consideration orders the property owner to repair or remove this structure within 15 days; if not, the resolution authorizes the Division of Code Enforcement to demolish and assess the costs to the property.

Amy Spong, Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC):

- built in 1910 - a workers cottage; fairly simple gabled house
- front porch has been enclosed and partially re-opened
- has non-original windows; non-original siding covering early wood lap siding
- not identified in the 1983 survey
- this neighborhood was most recently surveyed in 2011 but this building was not within those boundaries
- this area would not be eligible for any potential historic district
- the house has had some alterations
- even though these 2 block faces seem fairly contiguous, there's been some infill housing with newer construction
- recommends that demolition would not have an adverse effect

Ms. Nhia Vang:

- will recommend removal within 15 days with no option for rehabilitation

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

### 3 [RLH RR 14-12](#)

Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 391 VIEW STREET within fifteen (15) days after the July 23, 2014, City Council Public Hearing.

**Sponsors:** Thune

6/26/14: Ms. Vang contacted Ramsey County Tax Forfeited Land and Ms. Kujala stated that the forfeiture date is too far out to make plans on the property; therefore, LHO recommends removal 15 days within no option for repair since no one appeared, also.

6/24/14: Property is to be tax foreited in July 2017. Asking Ramsey County Tax Forfeited Land to see if they will have an interest in the building.

RE: 391 View Street (Single Family)

*Joseph Courtmontsch, next door neighbor, appeared as an interested party.*

*Inspector Joe Yannarely:*

- 1 1/2 story wood frame single-family dwelling with a detached 1-stall garage on a lot of 4,792 sq.ft.
- been vacant since Mar 8, 2013
- current property owner is listed as Joseph G. Schwartz (deceased) per Ramsey County records
- Apr 16, 2014, inspection was conducted and a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance condition was developed; photos taken
- Order to Abate a Nuisance Building posted Apr 22, 2014; compliance date May 22, 2014
- as of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance as defined by the legislative code
- estimated market value: \$20,400 on the land; \$111,100 on the building
- real estate taxes are delinquent for 2011, 2012 and 2013 in the amount of \$7,515.64, including penalty and interest. Taxes for the first half of 2014 have not been paid. (Property is scheduled for tax forfeiture July 2017.)
- Vacant Building registration fees were paid by assessment on Sep 30, 2013
- as of Jun 23, 2014, a Code Compliance Inspection has not been done; \$5,000 Performance Deposit has not been posted
- there has been 1 Summary Abatement Notice since 2013; and 2 Work Orders issued for:
  - garbage/rubbish
  - boarding/securing
  - tall grass/weeds
- Code Enforcement officers estimate the cost to repair to exceed \$50,000; estimated cost to demolish between \$10,000 and \$12,000
- DSI, Division of Code Enforcement Resolution submitted for consideration orders the property owner to repair or remove this structure within fifteen (15) days; if not, the resolution authorizes the Division of Code Enforcement to demolish and assess the costs to the property.

*Mr. Courtmontsch:*

- the tall grass and weeds SA surprises him because he has been mowing the lawn and removing the snow since the day that his Joe, his neighbor, first got sick 10 years ago; when Joe died, the property had a very large second mortgage on it and he tried to contact the bank to buy the house; the people who held the mortgage wouldn't even talk to him
- he thinks the house is probably too far gone for someone to rehab it unless it's a professional contractor
- within the last 6 months, there have been break-ins - people trying to strip the house out and part of the roof is caved in on both sides of the house; he suspects there are some hazardous biological conditions in parts of the house due to animal waste
- as the next door neighbor, he prefers to see the house occupied by a family who rehabilitates it; barring that happening within the time frame, he would be in favor of it being demolished because it is a hazard and just yesterday, he found human waste between the side yards of his house and this house
- asked how quickly these things move forward to demolition
- is concerned that the house is a major fire hazard at this point because of people going in and out of the house
- he winterized the house after his neighbor dies; all the infrastructure is still in the house

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

- the city is behind on their demolitions

Mr. Yannarely:

- whenever the city Orders these buildings down, the city has to garner the funds; now, we are at the point where we can't do any demos until some money is freed up
- if no one pays the taxes, it will eventually go to tax forfeiture
- it looks as though Deutsche Bank holds the mortgage and they aren't stepping up
- if people are going in and out of the house, call us and let us know about it and the city will get a boarding contractor out there immediately

Ms. Nhia Vang:

- we can lay this over and send the information to Ramsey County to see what they say about it
- the county has an option to rehab when it goes tax forfeiture

Amy Spong, Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC):

- 1 1/2 story brick house built in 1913
- original owner was Frank Midasvitch Ledger
- have been some alterations over the years: front porch has been enclosed; there's a small rear addition; has non-original windows
- brick structures have more permanency
- house is 3rd in from the corner; another brick house on the corner of this block face
- whole entire block face is very contiguous; all built from the 19 teens onward; there's no in-fill
- Palace Rec Center is right across the street and the big city park; there's going to be some major investment in the Palace Rec Center coming up through Parks
- this area has not been surveyed recently for any historic district potential
- no current survey information
- last surveyed in 1983; this building was not identified at that time for being eligible for historic designation
- so, there is no potential for historic designation likely for this building or blockface
- she encourages rehab, given its brick nature and that the block face is very consistent in its architecture, providing a nice face to the park across the street
- some photos show that some soffits and roof edges have failed and are open - not protected from weather; it appears that the windows have stone sills; there are some higher quality materials; wood is in rough shape (from photos)

Mr. Courtmontsch:

- much of the inside of the house is lovely
- someone who has an eye for an old brick Victorian could really appreciate this house

Ms. Nhia Vang:

- will recommend laying this over to Jul 15, 2014 to find out if Ramsey County is interested

Ms. Mai Vang:

- will copy Mr. Courtmontsch on the next letter and any info coming from the county

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

## 11:00 a.m. Hearings

### Summary Abatement Orders

4 [RLH SAO 14-20](#) Appeal of Michael A. Hafner to a Summary Abatement Order at 927

## PAYNE AVENUE.

**Sponsors:** Bostrom

*Inspector indicated Public Works will abate the trash in the alleyway.*

**Withdrawn**

5 [RLH SAO 14-21](#) Appeal of Thomas Wybierala to a Summary Abatement Order at 427 WHITALL STREET.

**Sponsors:** Brendmoen

*Grant the appeal on the condition that owner pull a permit for the furnace within 2 weeks.*

*RE: 427 Whitall Street (Single Family)*

*Thomas Wybierala, owner, and Sherri Ventrelli appeared.*

*Inspector Rich Singerhouse:*

*- this became a Registered Vacant Building on Nov 20, 2012 due to a Revocation from the Fire Certificate of Occupancy Program*

*- there were some ownership issues for a while; eventually, they came to an agreement: if Tom were to pull a permit and get a sign-off on it for putting in a new furnace, he would change this to a Category 1 VB and subsequently, close out the file*

*- however, that wasn't carried out*

*- we noticed that Mr. Wybierala is living there and working out of the garage*

*- he issued a Summary Abatement to board all the doors and windows*

*- Tom is appealing that Order*

*Mr. Wybierala:*

*- before the SA was issued, he told Mr. Singerhouse that he was going to pull the permit; he had installed the furnace himself and then he had an HVAC person come to his house; he explained the circumstances and this person asked if Mr. Wybierala were the homeowner and he told him that he was; the HVAC person told Mr.*

*Wybierala that he didn't need to pull a permit, so, he didn't pull the permit*

*- although, he has no problem pulling the permit*

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

*- that arrangement had been made when you came before Ms. Moermond the last time and Mr. Singerhouse was to verify that the permit had been pulled and signed off on*

*- today, we don't know whether or not the furnace has been installed correctly*

*Mr. Singerhouse:*

*- the only way the city knows whether or not the furnace was installed correctly is if he pulls a permit*

*Mr. Wybierala:*

*- but it was never a rental property; it was always his dad's house*

*- when his nephew lived there, his aunt had issues with the nephew and wanted to have the house inspected because they wanted to sell it but it never got sold*

*- he did agree to pull the permit*

*Ms. Ventrelli:*

- this HVAC person said that as a homeowner, you don't need to pull a permit to install the furnace yourself
- she apologized that they hadn't followed through on what they needed to do

Ms. Nhia Vang:

- will give him 2 weeks to pull the permit; give him a second chance
- Mr. Singerhouse will make sure that it's been done properly
- Mr. Wybierala's deadline: Jul 8, 2014

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

## Orders To Vacate, Condemnations and Revocations

### 6 [RLH VO 14-19](#) Appeal of Yolanda Thompson to a Correction Notice-Complaint Inspection (includes condemnation) at 502 BELLOWS STREET.

**Sponsors:** Thune

*Grant an extension until Monday, June 30 to have power restored. If the power is restored, the condemnation can be lifted. Please note that no one should be living at the property until the power is restored.*

*RE: 502 Bellows Street (Single Family)*

*Yolanda Thompson, tenant, appeared.*

*Fire Inspector A. J. Neis:*

- *Fire Certificate of Occupancy Correction Notice Complaint Inspection for a Condemnation at 502 Bellows Street listed to Calabash Properties, c/o Brad Niles for a utility shut-off*
- *Jun 2, 2014, Inspector Sean Westenhofer issued Correction Orders that the property was Condemned, Unsafe and Unfit for Human Habitation and to restore electrical services or vacate the unit by Jun 12, 2014*
- *the inspector had stated that the power was back on at the property; he asked Ms. Thompson if electricity had been back on briefly after Jun 12, 2014*

*Ms. Thompson:*

- *no; the electricity was not turned back on; not even, temporarily*
- *power is still shut off to the building*

*Mr. Neis:*

- *speaking with Xcel, there have been some miscommunication in which the inspector had thought that the meter had been turned back on from information he had received from Xcel; he closed the Condemnation Order in good faith with the assumption that the power had been restored*
- *subsequently, the inspector re-issued Orders for the outstanding violation to replace the broken storm window*
- *he called Xcel today and they indicated that the power has been off since May 30, 2014*
- *the Appellant has made 2 payments in Jun to try to get it restored; there is still a large amount owed to get it re-connected (\$750)*
- *Ms. Thompson was denied for the Energy Assistance Program*
- *due to the removal of the Order, he instructed Inspector Westenhofer, who is at the property right now, to Re-Condemn the house and Order the building Vacated by Fri, Jun 27, 2014, due to the power still being off*

*Ms. Thompson:*

- after she leaves here, she is going to pay \$400 more on her bill and then on Fri, she should have the remaining balance in order for Xcel to turn the lights back on
- she came here to let you know so that she would not be evicted
- she is staying with friends; she is not staying at the house; the house is vacant; no one is there

*Mr. Neis:*

- if the Appellant agrees to continue to stay with friends and no one is living in the house until after the power is restored by Mon, Jun 30, he will hold on to the file
- the electric shut-off is what's holding the Condemnation

*Ms. Thompson:*

- she has a young son; she can't stay in that house without lights and electricity, etc.
- her landlord is fixing the storm window
- Xcel's balance should be paid by Fri, no later than Mon

*Ms. Vang:*

- will recommend granting an extension to Mon, Jun 30, 2014 to get the power restored

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/9/2014**

## **1:30 p.m. Hearings**

### **Fire Certificates of Occupancy**

- 7      [RLH FCO 14-86](#)      Appeal of Jason MacDonald to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 415 BAY STREET.

**Sponsors:**      Thune

*Grant an extension until May 2016 to have the roof replaced unless the roof leaks sooner.*

*RE: 415 Bay Street (Single Family)*

*Jason MacDonald LLC, appeared.*

*Fire Inspector Leanna Shaff:*

- Fire Certificate of Occupancy inspection conducted by Inspector Jeremy Hall on Jun 6, 2014
- there's 1 things left on the deficiency list: maintain the roof weather tight and free from defects
- photos shows curled shingles, missing pebbles; it's older and there's probably 2 layers of shingles; old, dried out
- Appellant says that it's not leaking

*Mr. MacDonald:*

- as part of their on-going maintenance, it's in their interest to make sure that they don't have problems
- only the south side of the roof has this problem; shingles are more dried out from the sun; the north side is not having those problems
- is asking for an extension
- they will be adding a 2nd story in the near future

Ms. Shaff:

- this is an "A" rated building so the next inspection is 5 years from now
- typically, if it hasn't leaked during this past storm, Ms. Moermond allows a few years or until the next inspection cycle

Ms. Nhia Vang:

- will recommend granting an extension to May 2016
- if the roof begins to leak sooner, then, a repair needs to be done sooner

Ms. Shaff:

- the next inspection cycle will begin in May 2016

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

- 8**      **RLH FCO 14-78**      Appeal of John D. Lenzi to a Correction Notice-Complaint Inspection at 662 PAYNE AVENUE.

**Sponsors:**      Lantry

*Rescheduled per owner's request.*

**Laid Over to the Legislative Hearings due back on 7/8/2014**

- 9**      [RLH FCO 14-77](#)      Appeal of Jessica Teske to a Reinspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy With Deficiencies at 2053 REANEY AVENUE.

**Sponsors:**      Lantry

*Grant an extension until August 8, 2014 to get the upstairs smoke detector hardwired and the tenant to get a dog license if they are not moving out and grant the appeal on the dampness in the basement as long as there is no standing water.*

*RE: 2053 Reaney Avenue (Single Family)*

*Jessica Teske, owner, appeared.*

Ms. Teske:

- the Notice didn't come to her soon enough but everyone was very helpful, letting her make the appeal
- is appealing the 3 deficiencies

Fire Inspector Leanna Shaff:

- Fire Certificate of Occupancy Re-Inspection conducted May 28, 2014 by Inspector James Thomas
- items:
  - 1) the upstairs smoke detector needs to be hardwired; here, a battery-operated one has been substituted
  - 2) basement has dampness
  - 3) need to get a dog license
- concern about the smoke detector: their policy is that it must be complied with in 24 hours; now, it's almost 1 month later

Ms. Teske:

- initial inspection took place Apr 28, 2014 and the inspector at the time did not write up the smoke detector; if it had been written up the first time, she would have had her contractor take care of it; it's more money if the inspector needs to come back a 3rd



*time - would prefer not to have to pay a re-inspection fee*

*Ms. Shaff:*

- doesn't know how or why the inspector missed it the first time*
- Apr 28, 2014, the basement dampness issue and the dog license issue both were noted then*
- every dog over 3 months of age in the City of St. Paul is required to be licensed*

*Ms. Teske:*

- are the dog licenses new because she has never had an inspector write that up during the past 10 years*
- she has worked with the tenants really hard to get them to license the dog but she is struggling because if they can't afford it, how can she get them to do it*
- it's her understanding that these inspections are for life-safety issues; it's hard for her to enforce other city ordinances, like the dog license issue*

*Ms. Shaff:*

- as a property owner in the City of St. Paul, Chapter 34 Property Maintenance Code is applicable to all buildings*
- and, for years, the Fire Inspectors have been enforcing not only the Fire Code but also the other applicable codes, as well: the property maintenance code, building code, plumbing code, mechanical code, electrical code, etc.*

*Ms. Teske:*

- tenants' lease is up in Jul; they are moving to Louisiana*
- in the future, she has no problem putting it in the lease that dog's need to be licensed*
- re basement: there is no standing water; only the floor is damp; they have 2 dehumidifiers going; they also have gutters on the building*

*Ms. Shaff:*

- has no problem with basement floor dampness*
- the end of Jul is a reasonable extension*

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

- will recommend granting an extension to Aug 8, 2014 for compliance; re-inspection scheduled for Aug 11, 2014*
- let the tenants move out*

*Ms. Teske:*

- is there a way to request that the 3 inspection fee be waived*

*Ms. Shaff:*

- we won't waive that fee because 2 of those items were called out on the first inspection and weren't taken care of on the subsequent inspection*
- if you don't agree with the fee, don't pay the bill and then, you will have a chance to appeal the assessment*

*Ms. Teske:*

- she feels that she has done everything possible for the basement; the only thing that she didn't physically address was the dog license*

*Ms. Shaff:*

- city ordinance is very clear that we charge for inspections*

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

**2:30 p.m. Hearings****Vacant Building Registrations**

- 10 [RLH VBR 14-47](#) Appeal of Gary Walker to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1011 VICTORIA STREET NORTH.

**Sponsors:** Brendmoen

*The building permit is closed and Vacant Building staff has closed the VB file.*

**Withdrawn**

- 11 [RLH VBR 14-51](#) Appeal of Tim McGrath to a Vacant Building Registration Renewal Notice at 915 AGATE STREET.

**Sponsors:** Brendmoen

*Waive the Vacant Building fee for 90 days. If owner receives his code compliance certificate, the VB fee will be deleted. If the repairs are not done, the VB fee will go into assessments and be prorated.*

*RE: 915 Agate Street (Single Family)*

*Timothy McGrath, owner, appeared.*

*Inspector Matt Dornfeld, Vacant Building Program:*

- Annual Registered Vacant Building fee appeal
- house was Condemned on Jun 24, 2013 by Fire Inspector Sean Westenhofer
- on Jun 25, 2013, Mr. Dornfeld opened a Category 2 Vacant Building file
- Mr. McGrath went through the Sale Review process and was approved on May 8, 2014
- a Code Compliance Inspection Report is on file
- no permits have been pulled yet
- the property has been maintained since Mr. McGrath's ownership

*Mr. McGrath:*

- he is here to appeal the VB fee for 2014 - 2015
- he has hired a general contractor, who will be pulling permits
- the water main was broken; there was a flood in the basement; that all has been fixed
- he is waiting for the plumber to come in and reconnect things
- he has been working on the structure of the house and the exterior grounds
- it's been slower than expected but permits are coming

*Mr. Dornfeld:*

- a plumbing permit has been pulled but no building, electrical or mechanical permit

*Mr. McGrath:*

- his timeline is 6 months to get it all done (6 months from the purchase date)
- asking for the VB fee be cancelled because the building is not vacant anymore

*Mr. Dornfeld:*

- the definition of a Vacant Building is a building that the city registers as vacant and

*has multiple code violations; and until the owner gets a Code Compliance Certificate (all permits signed off on and finalized), you are still in the VB Program; so, technically, this is still a vacant building now*

- the VB fee is to be paid in advance; anniversary date is Jun 26;
- the VB fee for 2014 - 2015 is due on Jun 26, 2014

*Mr. McGrath:*

- asked if he would get that money back when he becomes code complaint
- asked if there was a way to reduce the VB fee

*Mr. Dornfeld:*

- the VB fee can be prorated depending on how much time Ms. Nhia Vang would be interested in extending it; a maximum extension would be 90 days
- if you can get the house code compliant in 3 months, you would not owe us any VB fee; after 3 months, Ms. Moermond usually looks at a proration; and anything that takes longer than 6 months is usually not negotiable

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

- will recommend granting a 90-day extension to become code compliant and waiving the VB fee for that length of time

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

**12**     [RLH VBR 14-49](#)

Appeal of Mary Marrin to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1637 CONWAY STREET.

**Sponsors:**     Lantry

*Deny the appeal and owner will need to apply for a code compliance inspection.*

*RE: 1637 Conway Street (Single Family)*

*Mary Marrin, owner, appeared.*

*Fire Inspector Leanna Shaff:*

- Fire Certificate of Occupancy Revocation by Fire Inspector Sean Westenhofer
- inspection cycle started with the first letter going out Dec 31, 2013
- they haven't been able to get in to inspect
- inspector notes: he had to cancel on Feb 10, 2014
- no show by tenants/owner on Mar 17, Apr 17 and May 5, 2014
- he Revoked the Fire C of O for not showing up for appointments
- asking for more time would probably be OK if they had some notice before now
- sent to Vacant Building on May 30, 2014
- 5 months with no inspection

*Inspector Matt Dornfeld, Vacant Building Program:*

- per the C of O Revocation, Vacant Building Inspector Dave Nelmark opened a Category 2 VB on Jun 3, 2014
- inspector notes: vacant and secure; noted cracks in foundation and front concrete stairs; peeling paint on window frames and doors on house and garage; the yard has been maintained; he has been there a couple times since the first time; still vacant and maintained

*Ms. Marrin:*

- there were 2 cancellations from Inspector Westenhofer, initially; the first 2 appointments he cancelled
- during that process, the tenants, who had been there for 10 years, moved out in

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- after Mr. Westenhofer's cancellation phone calls, she left him a voice mail asking if they still needed to meet because the tenants had moved out but she never heard back from Mr. Westenhofer
- she wants to rent it out again
- she wants to rehab it (kitchen: new appliances, new floor, new cabinets and countertop, etc.)
- she never heard back from Mr. Westenhofer

*Ms. Shaff:*

- they sent out letters for the next inspection appointments on Apr 17 and May 5

*Ms. Marrin:*

- they were sending the letters to 1637 Conway and then, they found her at her business address: 1700 Livingston
- she was trying to comply with those things on the initial list: heating test; smoke detectors hardwired in 2007; has paperwork for that
- and she was waiting for a response from Mr. Westenhofer

*Ms. Shaff:*

- it's incumbent upon the property owner to notify them of a change of contact information
- need to express that Fire Inspections is not an agreement to letting the property owner work off the existing list; we have not been able to inspect the property
- it's an unoccupied building with multiple code violations and the owner not complying with access
- we have sent letters and done what the ordinance requires and sent it to VB

*Mr. Dornfeld:*

- the annual Registered Vacant Building fee for \$1440 is due
- in this case, the building needs a Code Compliance Inspection Report and all those repairs need to be made; all the permits necessary for that job need to be pulled and finalized before a Code Compliance Certificate can be approved and the building re-occupied
- the Annual Registered Vacant Building fee needs to be paid before you can order the Code Compliance Inspection or pull permits
- all the paperwork has been mailed to the owner
- if you choose not to pay the VB fee, it will go to assessments and a service charge will be added; then, you can proceed

*Ms. Marrin:*

- Jun 4, 2014 - she got the first Notice that was mailed to her home address at 641 Hubert Drive
- if she is able to comply with the deficiency list that she has, can the VB fee be reimbursed?

*Mr. Dornfeld:*

- due to your Certificate of Occupancy having been Revoked, you now need a different inspection, the Code Compliance Inspection
- the inspection team will look at your building and determine what needs to be repaired (deficiency list)

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

- you need to pay the VB fee of \$1440 first; then, you can order the Code Compliance Inspection (4 trades come out and develop a deficiency list); then, you can pull the necessary permit for doing the repairs

*Ms. Nhia Vang:*

*- will recommend denying this appeal*

*- you must order a Code Compliance Inspection Report*

**Referred to the City Council due back on 7/23/2014**

**13 RLH VBR 14-50** Appeal of Amanda Danielson to a Vacant Building Registration Notice at 1256 HARTFORD AVENUE.

**Sponsors:** Tolbert

*Rescheduled per owner's request.*

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