

## CITY OF SAINT PAUL Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

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March 28, 2013

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUSPEND LICENSES

Jeff M. Fuchs, Owner J F Tree Care 10310 – 440<sup>th</sup> Street Holdingford, MN 56340

RE:

Tree Trimmer & 1 Vehicle and Tree Trimmer – Each Add'l Vehicle licenses held by Jeff M. Fuchs d/b/a J F Tree Care for the City of Saint Paul License ID #20090004821

Dear Mr. Fuchs:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) has recommended suspension of the Tree Trimmer & 1 Vehicle and Tree Trimmer – Each Add'l Vehicle licenses held by Jeff M. Fuchs d/b/a J F Tree Care for the City of Saint Paul. The basis for the recommendation is as follows:

On January 24, 2013, you were sent a letter and <u>RENEWAL INVOICE</u> from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) stating your Tree Trimmer & 1 Vehicle and Tree Trimmer – Each Add'l Vehicle licenses expired on October 24, 2012. You currently owe \$375.00 in delinquent license and late fees.

You were also asked to call DSI to schedule a vehicle inspection and submit the following information listed on your renewal invoice: 1) current vehicle information (year, make, model and license plate #); 2) proof of registration with the Commissioner of Agriculture; 3) proof that you have employed an individual who possesses current certification as an arborist from the ISA and 4) return a completed Certificate of Compliance Minnesota Workers' Compensation Law form.

You were given until February 14, 2013, to pay the license and late fees and submit the required information. As of today's date, neither has been received.

In addition to the suspension of your Tree Trimmer & 1 Vehicle and Tree Trimmer – Each Add'l Vehicle licenses, per Saint Paul Legislative Code §310.05 (m) (2), the licensing office will also recommend a \$500.00 matrix penalty for failure to submit the required information in order to maintain your license.

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At this time, you have three options on how to proceed:

- You can pay the delinquent license and late fees and submit the required information. If this is your choice, 1. you should send the payment and information directly to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than Monday, April 8, 2013. A selfaddressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Payment of the delinquent license and late fees and submission of the required information will be considered to be a waiver of the hearing to which you are entitled.
- If you wish to admit the facts but contest the penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City 2. Council, you will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting the facts and requesting a public hearing. I will need to receive your letter by Monday, April 8, 2013. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council for a public hearing to determine whether to suspend your licenses and impose the \$500.00 matrix penalty. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
- If you no longer wish to do business in the City of Saint Paul, you will need to send a written statement to that 3. effect to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than Monday, April 8, 2013. Information should be directed to the attention of Christine Rozek.

If you have not contacted me by Monday, April 8, 2013, I will assume that you do not contest the suspension of your licenses and imposition of the \$500.00 matrix penalty. In that case, the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these options, please feel free to contact me at 266-8710.

Sincerely,

Daphne Lundstrom

Assistant City Attorney

cc: Christine Rozek, Deputy Director of DSI

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## AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the Aday of March she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUSPEND LICENSES** and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

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(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Julie Kraus

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 287% day of March, 2013

Notary Public

RITA M. BOSSARD
NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA
MY COMMISSION
EXPIRES JAN 31, 2015