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# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

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CITY CLERK

**We need the following to process your appeal:**

- \$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul) (if cash: receipt number #10717)
  - Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed
  - Attachments you may wish to include
  - This appeal form completed
  - Walk-In OR  Mail-In
- for abatement orders only:  Email OR  Fax

<p><b>HEARING DATE &amp; TIME</b> (provided by Legislative Hearing Office) Tuesday, <u>FEB. 18, 2020</u></p> <p>Time <u>1:30 p.m.</u></p> <p><b>Location of Hearing:</b> <u>Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse</u></p>
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## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1113 Como PL City: St Paul State: MN Zip: 55103

Appellant/Applicant: Joseph E. Vance Email: jevanc1@msn.com

Phone Numbers: Business 646-6180 Residence 646-6180 Cell 352-0745

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 2/5/2020

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ 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.)

**Comments:**

Inspector stated at Oct. 30, 2019 inspection that it was final inspection and he needed 2 additional documents (provided Nov. 1, 2019) and some additional fence work that could wait until spring.



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

January 28, 2020

JOSEPH VANCE  
1311 ROSELAWN AVENUE  
ST PAUL MN 55113-5956

RE: RE-INSPECTION FIRE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY WITH DEFICIENCIES  
1113 COMO PLACE

Ref. # 102764

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was re-inspected for the Fire Certificate of Occupancy on September 16, 2019. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected immediately.

**A reinspection will be made on February 12, 2020 at 11:30 AM.**

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 be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional reinspection fees.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Exterior - Back Deck & Stairs - SPLC 34.09 (3), 34.33(2) - Repair or replace the unsafe stairways, porch, decks or railings in an approved manner. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.  
The back deck is in disrepair with rotted and broken deck boards, including near the back-entry door. Composite boards cannot be placed over rotted and damaged wood. There are parts of the deck that have rotted and broken pieces, for example panels on the side are missing/damaged, part of the bench is broken and the backing is very wobbly. The rim-board underneath the back-entry door is rotted and damaged. Replace the rim-board.
2. Exterior - Fence & Garage - SPLC 34.08(5), 34.32(3) - All accessory structures including, but not limited to, detached garages, sheds and fences shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair. Provide and maintain exterior unprotected surfaces painted or protected from the elements. -The fence and fence gate are in disrepair. The

fence gate does not open properly and there are several broken fence boards. Spring of 2020.

3. Exterior - Garage - MSFC 605.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring. -Provide an invoice from a licensed contractor for the work performed on the wiring from the garage door opener.
4. Exterior - Doors - SPLC 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition. -The repair to the threshold for the back-entry door is not an approved repair. The threshold is still spongy.
5. Interior - Basement - MSFC 605.4 - Discontinue use of all multi-plug adapters. -There is a multi-plug adapter being used on the light fixture in the furnace room. Change the fixture to a pull chain.
6. Unit 1 - Ceilings - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the ceiling in an approved manner.  
There are damages to the kitchen ceiling and the tile drop ceiling has some worn and damaged tiles.  
There is mildew/mold developing on the bathroom ceiling.
7. Unit 2 - Doors - SPLC 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition. -The door leading to the front porch area has been installed improperly. There is no strike plate, it does not latch and closes properly.
8. Unit 2 - Floor - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17(5) - Repair and maintain the floor in an approved manner. -There are several tiles for the kitchen floor that are cracked and broken. Repair or replace the floor tile. Placing a black mat over the damaged floor is not an approved repair.
9. MSBC -Section 105.1 - Permits Required. Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the building official and obtain the required permit. Work being done requires a permit. -A permit is required for the work performed on the exhaust duct for the water heater.

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 the original orders.

If you have any questions, email me at [Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us) or call me at 651-266-8955 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,

Efrayn Franquiz  
Fire Safety Inspector  
Ref. # 102764

## FW: Follow-up docs for inspection: 1113 Como PL

JOSEPH VANCE <jevanc1@msn.com>

Wed 2/5/2020 12:07 PM

To: The UPS Store #2198 <store2198@theupsstore.com>

 1 attachments (84 KB)

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Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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**From:** JOSEPH VANCE <jevanc1@msn.com>

**Sent:** Friday, January 31, 2020 1:00:20 PM

**Cc:** Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us <Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

**Subject:** FW: Follow-up docs for inspection: 1113 Como PL

Dear: Efrayn:

At you last visit you stated it was the final inspection.

You stated you needed the building permit for hot water heater

Replacement Fl.2 and receipt for garage door opener cord replacement.

I sent on Nov. 1 email to you attached.

You also said I needed to replace cedar fence but could wait until spring.

I received a letter from you yesterday with items completed prior to your last visit. I called this morning to request an appeal form and set up an appeal date and explained what had happened.

The representative (who was very pleasant) said sometimes errors occur and I should contact you before setting up an appeal.

So could you please advise path forward.

Thank you,

Sincerely,  
Joseph Vance

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**From:** JOSEPH VANCE

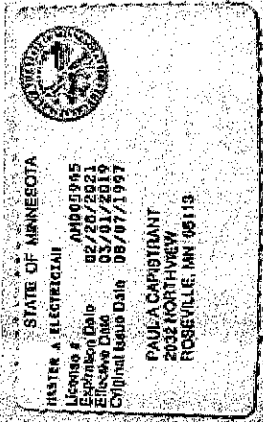
**Sent:** Friday, November 1, 2019 12:22 PM

**To:** Efrayn.Franquiz@ci.stpaul.mn.us

**Cc:** Joseph

**Subject:** Follow-up docs for inspection: 1113 Como PL

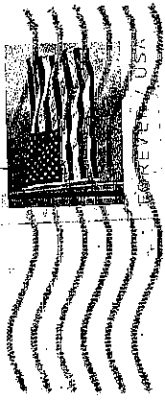
Attached are additional documentation per your request  
Joe Vance



Replaced power cord to garage  
door opener using a 3-wire  
Appliance cord!

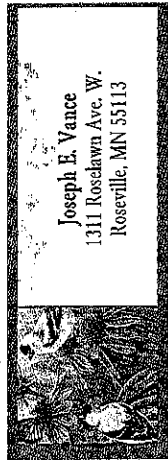
PAUL CAPISTRANT

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Capistrant".



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