

PERFECT AUTO BODY
License ID # 20080000878
204 Bates Avenue
St Paul, MN 55106

November 29, 2010

RESPONSE TO VIOLATION NOTICE

Rachel Tierney
400 City Hall
15 West Kellogg Blvd.
St Paul, MN 55102

Dear Mrs. Tierney:

Perfect Auto Body has reviewed the findings of the DSI inspections. We apologize for any misunderstandings between Perfect Auto Body and the City and feel we have rectified the issues or will work resolve any remaining issues as swiftly as possible.

We have corrected the issues but wish to contest the \$1000 matrix penalty. We are trying to build our business in tough economic times. Perfect Auto Body would like to invest the \$1000 in improvements to the property instead. Please provide the specifications for a suitable visual screen for our property. We like our location and understand it is in a historic portion of St Paul and want to create an aesthetically pleasing environment for our neighbors.

Please schedule the public hearing before City Council so we can make our case.

Sincerely,

Perfect Auto Body

Sec. 63.113. - Outdoor storage near residential districts and uses.

In reviewing the site plan for outdoor storage in industrial districts, the zoning administrator may permit outdoor storage to be within three hundred (300) feet of a residential district or of a property occupied by a one-, two-, or multifamily dwelling, and in the IR light industrial restricted district to be within three hundred (300) feet of a park, parkway, or major thoroughfare, provided that:

(a)

A visual screen, a minimum of six (6) feet in height, is placed between the outdoor storage and such residential district or use;

(b)

The zoning administrator has considered the location and design of the outdoor storage area and visual screen in relation to any plans or guidelines approved by the city council and in relation to the design character and building materials of adjacent areas; and

(c)

The zoning administrator has notified by mail the property owners within three hundred fifty (350) feet of the outdoor storage area at least ten (10) days before the administrator is to approve the site plan and has considered the property owners' comments

Sec. 60.220. - S.

Storage The placement of items such as, but not limited to, the following: merchandise for sale or rent; materials awaiting servicing, processing or manufacturing; finished products of a servicing, processing or manufacturing operation; equipment; portable storage containers but excluding trash containers or garbage dumpsters that are accessory to the main use; and automobiles, trucks, automobile trailers, semitrailers, intermodal cargo containers, or other vehicles not used for more than five (5) days.