



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

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We need the following to process your appeal:

- \$25 filing fee payable to the City of Saint Paul (if cash: receipt number check 6323)
 - 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

HEARING DATE & TIME
 (provided by Legislative Hearing Office)
 Tuesday, March 18, 2014
 Time 1:30
 Location of Hearing:
 Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 530N. Robert St. City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55101

Appellant/Applicant: Metro Center for Independent Living Email: davidh@mail-mn.org

Phone Numbers: Business 651-623-2012 Residence 612-245-2894 Cell 612-245-2894

Signature: [Signature] Date: 3/7/14

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
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- Vacant Building Registration
- Other

See attached, please.



Metropolitan Center for Independent Living

March 5, 2014

Kris Skow-Fiske, Fire Inspector
Department of Safety and Inspections
Fire Inspection Division
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806

Re: 530 North Robert Street, St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Kris,

I am in receipt of your correspondence of February 24, 2014, addressed to the Metropolitan Center for Independent Living (MCIL). In your letter you identify a one item deficiency list, and request correction on or before March 26, 2014. This deficiency list was created due to a referral. I am writing today to provide some additional information.

In preparation for our construction in the summer of 2013, our architect, and our real estate attorney reviewed our site plan with city staff during multiple site plan review processes, which included review of our parking lot layout. No party at that time raised issue with the site plan with regard to fire lane parking. In addition, we specifically reviewed whether there was an underlying alley and concluded with the appropriate authorization, that it is not, in fact, an alley.

Throughout the construction phase we stressed our need and intent to use the entire lot for our purposes once we moved in. In fact, the underlying real estate maintains a shared-use agreement between the abutting properties that defines a lane of ingress and egress for ourselves and our neighbors on the 10th Street side of the property. It enables all parties complete access to respective property. The Alano Society, located next door and a party to the shared-use agreement, is not impeded in any way from accessing their property, parking spaces, or ingress or egress from their building.

When we moved to downtown St. Paul, we brought 200 jobs with us – a conscious choice to participate in the ongoing vibrancy of downtown St. Paul. We selected our downtown St. Paul

location for a variety of reasons, but the intact parking was very high on our list. Obviously, parking is at a premium in these settings. And while not all of our employees report to the site at 530 North Robert Street, we are in genuine need of the spaces in question to accommodate the nearly 40 staff who report to this address for their daily work, along with visitors. I also feel compelled to mention that since we are a disability focused organization, on-site parking is critical to serve our employees, board members and clients who face mobility challenges. And, the loss of these spaces will result in direct and negative impact to us economically if we are forced to locate them in another location. Reducing the lot by these three spaces results in a reduction of nearly 15% of our onsite parking.

As a result of your correspondence, I have directed our architect to consult with the city planning office to confirm our understanding of our site plan review process and that the spaces in question were indeed approved and made available to us for parking. Once we receive that information, we will determine whether it will be necessary to employ the appeal process.

Sincerely,

David Hancox
Executive Director

Cc: Dave Thune, City Council Member, Ward 2
Donna Drummond, Director of Planning
Tom Beach, Planner
Gaius Nelson, Chair, Zoning Committee
Scott England, DJR Architects
Wayne Olson, Carnivore, Inc.

BCC: Allan van Dallen



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220 Telephone: 651-266-8989
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806 Fax: 651-266-8951

February 24, 2014

Metropolitan Center for Independent Living Attn: David Hancox
530 ROBERT ST N
ST PAUL MN 55101

CORRECTION NOTICE - COMPLAINT INSPECTION

RE: 530 ROBERT ST N
Ref. # 12410

Dear Property Representative:

An inspection was made of your building on February 24, 2014 in response to a referral. You are hereby notified that the following deficiency list must be corrected immediately.

A re-inspection will be made on or after March 26, 2014.

Failure to comply may result in a criminal citation or revocation of the Certificate of Occupancy. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

DEFICIENCY LIST

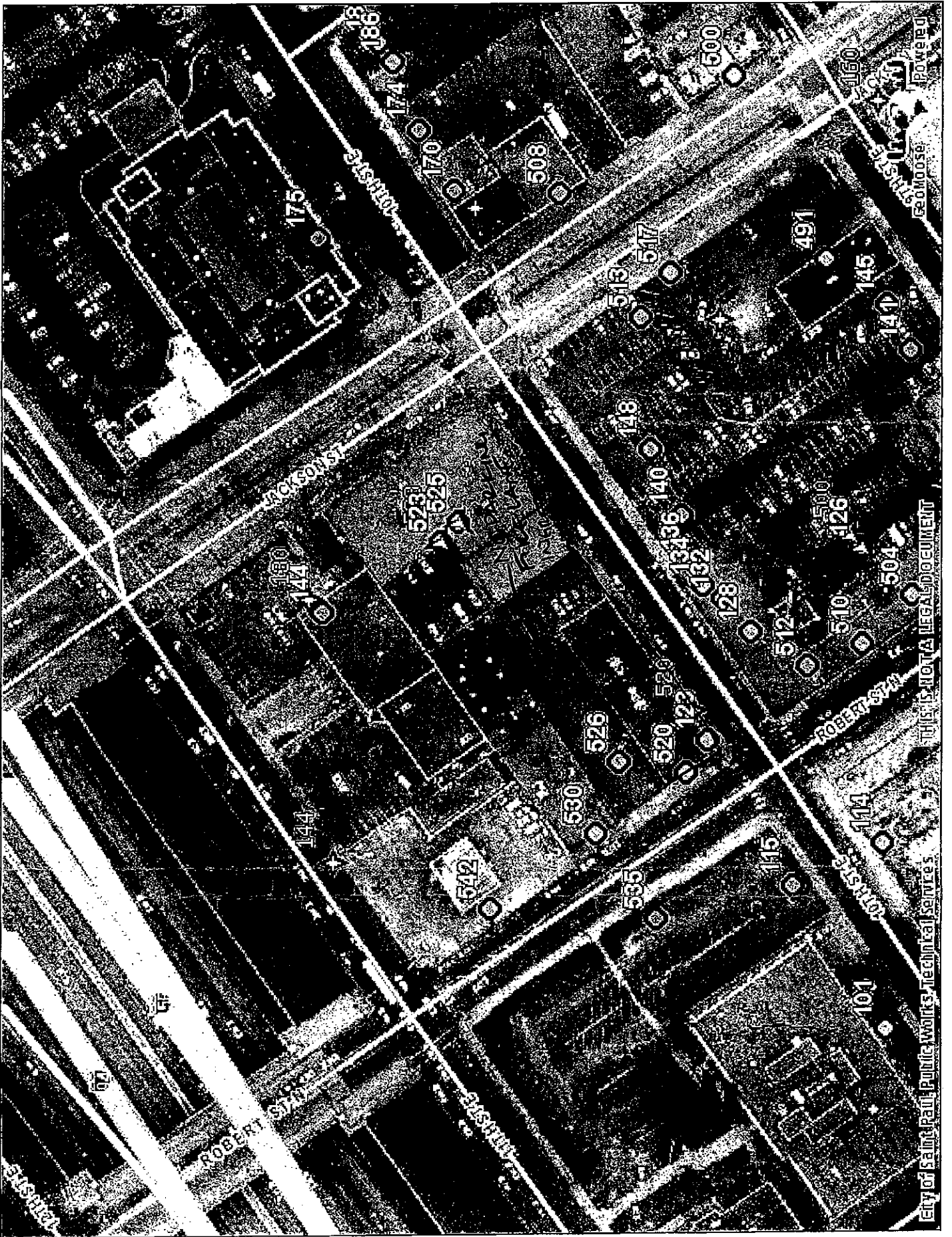
1. PARKING LOT - MSFC 503.4 - Provide approved signage for the fire lane. Signs must say 'NO PARKING - FIRE LANE'. The sign must be 7 feet from the ground to the bottom of a sign. The signs must be set back 2 feet from the curb. There must be one sign at the beginning and end of the fire lane and intermediate signs not exceeding 50 feet apart.
-Provide signs behind 520 Robert St N on the 10th St side. Refer to hand outs.

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: kris.skow-fiske@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8949 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,
Kris Skow-Fiske
Fire Inspector



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