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Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 9:19 PM
To: *CI-StPaul_LegislativeHearings
Subject: Hearing pertaining to correction notice: 1341 Forest Street
Attachments: Landscaping and removal of topsoil at 1341 Forest St, St Paul, 2019.10.08.docx

Ms. Moermond:

Thank you for listening to my request for additional time to properly complete the extensive landscaping work that will utilize the top soil in our yard. As we discussed today, Tuesday, at the hearing, you requested that I give you a time-line with incremental deadlines to reach. Like the other work that I've already completed in improving our yard in the past couple of weeks (as I mentioned during the hearing), I'm hopeful that my prompt response to your request will be a further testimony to my intention to complete this project as I've outlined.

If the landscaping only entailed distributing and planting the top soil, even though it is a large quantity, I think that 1 to 1 1/2 months would be a sufficient amount of time to complete this. But, because the distribution and planting of the top soil only represents a small amount of the total project, it will require much more time to complete it properly. Please see the attached Word document for details.

I have actually done an extensive amount of landscaping in the past (I was employed in home construction when my wife returned to college in a different state... employment was not available in my field of expertise... the company landscaped the houses that we constructed). Especially when you consider that I'm performing the excavation work by hand by myself, I think that the timeline that I've proposed is reasonable.

Again, thank you for considering my request,

Dale Carlquist

08 October 2019

Proposed completion of Landscaping at 1341 Forest Street, St Paul

(Utilization of top soil as required by city code; dates given are completion dates for each stage):

- i) 31 May 2019: Creation of a small retaining wall on the East-North-East side of the garage.
- ii) 30 June: Creation of a rock bed between the garage and the back of the house (North part of the house) for the purpose of channeling/preventing erosion down a hillside where runoff from the house is directed: Material removal, base material installed/compacted and rock installation
- iii) 31 July: Removal of material and restoration (top soil added and seed planted) of three areas of the yard:
 - a. North side of house.
 - b. North section of area between the garage and the house (area where retaining wall and rock bed will be installed).
 - c. South-East-South section will be done last as this area can 'absorb' any leftover topsoil.
- iv) 15 August: Removal/disposal of excavated material*; top soil, seeding and erosion mat installation of those areas. Touch-up/completion of any other areas that need additional attention.

*In the process of landscaping/restoring our yard, significant material will need to be removed. This material will be piled on site and then removed at the end of the project.