

## Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

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**From:** Peterson, Janis (CI-StPaul)  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 4:18 PM  
**To:** Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)  
**Cc:** Zimny, Joanna (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** FW: Supporting email, documents, and video for hearing officer  
**Attachments:** signed letter to brandtjen 8-6-2021.pdf; 283 Curtice St.pdf; IMG\_2802(2).mov

Mai,  
This was sent after Salina filed her appeal a few hours ago for 283 Curtice Street. I am off tomorrow so thought I would send this off to you for review. Let me know if you have any questions.  
Janis

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**From:** Salina Amey <salina\_amey@hotmail.com>  
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**To:** Peterson, Janis (CI-StPaul) <janis.peterson@ci.stpaul.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Supporting email, documents, and video for hearing officer

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Dear Hearing Officer,

Attached is a video of my sewer line, my contract with Robert Brandtjen, and a letter I sent him last Friday. Please consider them as evidence that I should be permitted to stay in my home.

Inspector Hesse placed that Order to Vacate on my house, without ever contacting me in any manner and without inspecting my house. He told me that he placed the Order to Vacate on my house as a result of an "anonymous" complaint that stated I was illegally was without sewer services. However, this is not true. I have reduced sewer capability, as a result of tree roots in my sewer pipe. When I had an incident of water backing up in my basement, I immediately paid for video inspection of my sewer pipe and learned that it had two dips in it that made it impossible to see the sewer pipe for certain portions that were under water. I was advised to have a new sewer pipe installed, and sought bids. I also applied to have the cost of the work put on my taxes, and was approved for a loan for this. I have included a video of my sewer line. As you can see, it has sections under water, but it is open and flowing. Because Robert Brandjen has apparently walked off the job, I will need to pay a company to come to my home and clear the roots out of the line until I can appropriately address the breach of contract by Robert Brandtjen, which may take some time.

Again, I feel it was inappropriate for me to be put through all of this. Inspector Hesse told me that I was falsely accused of refusing to allow Robert Brandtjen to enter my home to do his work. That is a falsehood. Robert Brandtjen dug up the floor of my basement, and was in my basement when inspector Jeremy Miller of St Paul Water came to my home.

Why do I have an Order to Vacate my home based only upon the lies of a contractor who appears to have walked off the job after having been caught working without appropriate permits and having broken my water main?

And why is it that there is still no permit posted on my house for the sewer work, water line repair work, and newly poured footing for my porch?

Why is it that the St Paul Dept. of Inspections is harassing me, an innocent home owner, and letting Robert Brandtjen get away with not pulling required permits for the work he contracted to do at my home? I wish that I could say this is an isolated event, but all appearances are that corruption is rampant in the St Paul Dept. of Safety and Inspections, and has been for a very long time.

Salina Amey

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**Subject:** Appeal Application

Attached is the appeal application that you requested. Let me know if you have any further questions.  
Janis

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