



August 10, 2020

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## **CORRECTION NOTICE - COMPLAINT INSPECTION**

RE: 914 COOK AVE E  
Ref. #

Dear Property Representative:

An inspection was made of your building on August 10, 2020 in response to a referral. You are hereby notified that the following deficiency list must be corrected immediately.

### **A reinspection will be made on September 15, 2020 at 3:00 PM.**

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 reinspection fees.

#### DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Access - All Areas - SPLC 34.19 - Provide access to the inspector to all areas of the building. - Provide access to the upper unit. There is a report that an unreported fire has happened here.
2. **Building - SPLC 34.23, MSFC 110.1 - This occupancy is condemned as unsafe or dangerous. This occupancy must not be used until re-inspected and approved by this office. -This property has been condemned due to the dangerous electrical issues caused by the fire and there is working smoke alarm in the house.**
3. Exterior - 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-exterior stairs are very wobbly and unsafe to use. Contact a licensed contractor to properly repair the back stairs.  
The front concrete steps are damaged and have pieces broken off.
4. Exterior - Window Screens - SPLC 34.09 (4), 34.33 (3) -Provide or repair and maintain the window screen. -

5. Exterior - Windows - SPLC 34.09 (4), 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the window in good condition. -There are windows with cracked and broken glass.
6. Unit 1 - Basement - MMC 603.9, 604 - Repair, maintain or install proper insulation and duct sealant in compliance with the mechanical code. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-There are large opening around the water heater's exhaust duct. Properly seal around the exhaust duct.  
There are openings around the exhaust duct for the boiler. Properly seal around the exhaust duct.
7. Unit 1 - Basement Stairs - MSFC 1030.2 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path. -Remove all the items on the basement stairs.
8. Unit 1 - Ceiling - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the ceiling in an approved manner. -The ceiling in the front vestibule has been damaged by the fire.
9. Unit 1 - Doors - SPLC 34.33 (3) - Repair and maintain the door in good condition. -The front door and front storm door are damaged.
10. Unit 1 - Front Entry Way - MSFC 605.1 - Remove unapproved exposed wiring and install in accordance with the electrical code. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-Contact a licensed electrical contractor to safely repair or remove the dangerous live wire in the vestibule.
11. Unit 1 - Smoke Alarm - MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area. -The hard-wired smoke alarm is missing.
12. Unit 1 - Basement - SPLC 34.11 (5), 34.35 (2) - Contact a licensed contractor to repair or replace the water heater. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.-The water heater has been installed incorrectly and without a permit. The drain relief pipe is missing. Contact a licensed contractor to bring the water heater up to code under permit.
13. 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 installation of the new electrical panel and other equipment at this property. There is no permit on file and the work was done by an unlicensed person.**

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

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