



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

**Saint Paul City Clerk**

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8560

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CITY CLERK

The City Clerk needs the following to process your appeal:

- \$25 filing fee payable to the City of Saint Paul (if cash: receipt number \_\_\_\_\_)
- Copy of the City-issued orders or letter which are being appealed
- Attachments you may wish to include
- This appeal form completed
- Walk-In OR  Mail-In

**YOUR HEARING Date and Time:**

Tuesday, 6-28-11

Time 11:00 am.

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 785 Cook City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55106

Appellant/Applicant: Gregory L Sutton / Megan Gordon Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Business 651-399-6490 Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: Gregory L Sutton / Megan Gordon Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Megan Gordon

Address (if not Appellant's): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cell 651-434-3717

## 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
- Fire C of O: Only Egress Windows
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- Vacant Building Registration
- Other



CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

375 Jackson Street., Suite 220  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

Telephone: 651-266-8989  
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June 09, 2011

## NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION AND ORDER TO VACATE

Gregory L Sutton/Megan M Gordon  
785 Cook Ave E  
St Paul MN 55106-3108

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement, has determined that the dwelling and premises at **785 COOK AVE E** is "Unfit for Human Habitation". In accordance with Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34, Section 23, the premises will be placarded on **June 9, 2011** and ordered vacated no later than **June 10, 2011**.

Your attention is called to the following provisions of Section 34.23, Subsection 6 entitled, "Vacation of Structure or Unit":

**"Any residential structure or residential unit which has been condemned or placarded as unfit for human habitation shall be vacated within the time set forth in the placard and/or order. It shall be unlawful for any person to let to any person for human habitation any structure or unit so condemned or placarded, and no person shall occupy the structure or unit after the date set forth in the placard and/or notice."**

**THIS DWELLING SHALL NOT AGAIN BE USED FOR HUMAN HABITATION  
UNTIL WRITTEN APPROVAL IS SECURED FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL;  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS, DIVISION OF CODE  
ENFORCEMENT**

**Principle Violations:** These deficiencies must be corrected before this condemnation and vacate order will be removed.

1. Lack of Electricity. Immediately restore electrical service. Failure to provide proper electrical service has resulted in these premises being declared Unfit for Human Habitation and ordered vacated for lack of this basic facility. Use of candles, fuel operated lighting or extension cord wiring is not permitted while the power is off.
2. Lack of Natural Gas Service. Immediately restore natural gas service. Failure to provide natural gas service has resulted in these premises being declared Unfit for Human Habitation and ordered vacated for lack of this basic facility.

**Other Violations:** These deficiencies must be corrected in order to bring this property into compliance with the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

1. The eaves and soffits are in a state of disrepair or deterioration. Repair all defects, holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards, to a professional state of maintenance. Permit may be required.
2. The window and/or door screens are missing, defective or in a state of disrepair. Provide proper window and door screens for all openable windows and doors. Screens must be tight-fitting and securely fastened to the frames.
3. The windows and/or storm windows are in a state of disrepair. Replace all missing or broken window glass. Make all necessary repairs to frames, sashes, hardware and associated trim in a professional manner. Permit may be required.
4. The exterior walls and/or trim of the house has defective, peeled, flaked, scaled or chalking paint or has unpainted wood surfaces. Scrape and repaint to effect a sound condition in a professional manner.

Authorization to reoccupy this/these dwelling unit(s) will not be given until it is demonstrated that all principal violations have been corrected and that no new conditions exist which could constitute material endangerment or which threaten the peace, health, safety or welfare of the occupants of this building.

All repairs and new installations must be made in accordance with the appropriate codes. Permit information may be obtained from the Building Inspection and Design Section, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, (651) 266-8989.

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (651) 266-8688. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of the date of this notice.

It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep all buildings secured and to properly maintain the premises at all times.

**If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the Inspector, Ed Smith, at 651-266-1917. To arrange an appointment or request an extension of time to complete repairs, you will need to speak directly to the inspector.**

Sincerely,

**Ed Smith**  
Enforcement Officer

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Yog hais tias koj hais lus Hmoob thiab koj tsis to taub tsab ntawv no, hu rau tus txhais lus ntawm (651) 266-8989. Nws yog pab dawb zwb. Si necessita un traductor, por favor llamamos al (651)266-8989. No costo.

**June 07, 2011**

Gregory L Sutton/Megan M Gordon  
785 Cook Ave E  
St Paul MN 55106-3108

## CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: **785 COOK AVE E**  
File #: **11-148800**

Dear Sir or Madam:

The City of Saint Paul, Department of Safety and Inspections has inspected the above referenced property on **June 06, 2011** and has determined that the following deficiencies exist in violation of the Saint Paul Legislative Code<sup>1</sup> (see footnote 1, below).

1. Lack of Electricity. Immediately restore electrical service. Failure to provide proper electrical service will result in these premises being declared Unfit for Human Habitation and ordered vacated for lack of this basic facility. Use of candles, fuel operated lighting or extension cord wiring is not permitted while the power is off.
2. Lack of Natural Gas Service. Immediately restore natural gas service. Failure to provide natural gas service will result in these premises being declared Unfit for Human Habitation and ordered vacated for lack of this basic facility.
3. The eaves and soffits are in a state of disrepair or deterioration. Repair all defects, holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards, to a professional state of maintenance. Permit may be required.
4. The window and/or door screens are missing, defective or in a state of disrepair. Provide proper window and door screens for all openable windows and doors. Screens must be tight-fitting and securely fastened to the frames.
5. The windows and/or storm windows are in a state of disrepair. Replace all missing or broken window glass. Make all necessary repairs to frames, sashes, hardware and associated trim in a professional manner. Permit may be required.
6. The exterior walls and/or trim of the house has defective, peeled, flaked, scaled or chalking paint or has unpainted wood surfaces. Scrape and repaint to effect a sound condition in a professional manner.

You are hereby notified to correct these deficiencies in accordance with the appropriate codes. The Enforcement Officer will reinspect these premises for **Items #1-2** on or after **June 09, 2011**, by which date the violations noted must be corrected, The Enforcement Officer will reinspect these premises for **Items #3-6** on or after **July 07, 2011**, by which date the violations must be

corrected. **Failure to correct these deficiencies may result in the issuance of criminal charges<sup>2</sup>** and/or a civil lawsuit, and possible abatement/assessment by the City. All repairs and new installations must be made in accordance with the appropriate codes. Permits may be obtained by calling 651-266-8989.

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 651-266-8688. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of this notice. (You must submit a copy of this Notice when you appeal, and pay a filing fee.)

**If you have any questions or request additional information, please contact me. To arrange an appointment or request an extension of time to complete repairs, you will need to speak directly to me at 651-266-1917.**

Sincerely,

**Ed Smith  
Badge # 325  
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Footnotes:

- <sup>1</sup> To see the Legislative Code go to [www.stpaul.gov](http://www.stpaul.gov) on the internet, click on "Departments", then click on "Department of Safety and Inspections", scroll down the page for the "Codes". Most Correction Notices derive from Chapter 34.
- <sup>2</sup> Criminal charges can be brought on the day the violation is observed, but generally we allow time to correct unless this is a repeat violation.

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**WARNING** Code inspection and enforcement trips cost the taxpayers money. If the violations are not corrected within the time period required in this notice, the city's costs in conducting a reinspection after the due date for compliance will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. If additional new violations are discovered within the next following 12 months, the city's costs in conducting additional inspections at this same location within such 12 months will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. Any such future costs will be collected by assessment against the real property and are in addition to any other fines or assessments which may be levied against you and your property.