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January 10, 2025

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VIA EMAIL: jerry.a.brashier@gmail.com

Re: Appeal(s) for Property at 511 Minnehaha Avenue East

Jerry Brashier:

Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond continued your hearing on January 7, 2025 to January 21, in order that the City's Structural Engineer, Brian Karpen, could review the engineering report from Structural Resource Center LLC which you submitted. The email summarizing his findings is attached.

Based on Mr. Karpen's review, Ms. Moermond is supporting DSI Fire Inspection action to condemn the rear stairs and decking. The doors exiting onto the deck should be secured and signage installed indicating the stairs/exit is unsafe. Similarly, the base of the stairs should be blocked to prevent their use. The Fire Department has been notified the back stairs and decking are condemned and to not use them in the event of an emergency.

The items below are from the November 27, 2024 letter from our office, and will be reviewed in Legislative Hearing January 21, 2025.

1. *Grant to January 1, 2025 for compliance with the September 4, 2024 Correction order; and*
2. *Appeal related to the Fire Certificate of Occupancy orders refer the matter back to Legislative Hearing Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 1:30 pm (or via phone between 1:30 and 3:30 pm)*
 - a. *Engineering analysis for consideration of extension required for items 1, 3, 4 5 & 7 by no later than close of business January 3, 2025.*
 - b. *Grant to February 1, 2025 for items 2 and 6 (Item 10 completed 11/26/24); and*
 - c. *Item 8 to be completed (permit pulled and finalized) by January 6, 2025.*

Deadlines will also be established for the balance of the December 10, 2024 orders.

Any documentation can be emailed to Joanna.zimny@ci.stpaul.mn.us and who will send to staff for review.

These matters will both go before the City Council at Public Hearing again on **Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 3:30 pm. in room 300 City Hall**. If you are contesting Ms. Moermond's recommendation for either appeal, you may:

1. appear in person (*please arrive before 3:30 p.m. and check in with staff outside Council chambers when you arrive*); or
2. **Should you wish to address Council directly but not appear in person, you must register in person by no later than noon on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 here to testify via phone: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/city-council/city-council-public-hearing-live-testimony>.**

If you don't wish to contest then **no further action is needed** and the Council will proceed with Ms. Moermond's recommendation above without discussion. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 651-266-8585.

Sincerely,

Legislative Hearing Team

c: CE Supervisors
Willie Williams – Department of Safety & Inspections, Code Enforcement Officer
Fire Supervisors
Daryl Chute – Department of Safety & Inspections, Fire Safety Inspector