

## Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2017 1:01 PM  
**To:** Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)  
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**Subject:** Re: FW: 605 Como Fire alarm appeal update

Hello Ms. Vang,

Thank you for the email.

Mr. AJ Neis verbally discussed/recommended at the previous hearing that we would need to install 1 interconnected smoke detector in the basement and possibly 1 in the infant room (2 total). Mr. Neis did not mention at the hearing but has included in his recommendation interconnecting all of the smoke detectors in the building which is a much more substantial undertaking. The recommendation given is far more extensive than what we discussed as an equivalency at the hearing.

We have reached out to contractors to get bids for the work but are fairly certain this cost will be in the thousands.

We believe our current system meets the requirements for a center of our size, operating on ground level. If possible, can either Ms. Moermond or Mr. Neis supply us with the exact law from the fire code for which we are working to be granted an equivalency. We are still unclear which statute is being referenced.

For these reasons, we are requesting another hearing date to discuss this matter. We appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to finding a solution that meets everyone's needs.

Thank you,

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On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 10:08 AM, Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul) <[mai.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:mai.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us)> wrote:

Hello All,

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, asked that I forward this email from Supervisor AJ Neis to you. If you disagree with any of the recommended proposals made by Mr. Neis and would like to discuss them in a Legislative Hearing, please let me know and a hearing will be scheduled.

Mai Vang

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**Subject:** 605 Como Fire alarm appeal update

I inspected and tested the smoke alarms at 605 Como today.

There are several hard-wired interconnected smoke alarms throughout the building however it is NOT a full functioning fire alarm as required by code.

If the appeal not to require a full fire alarm system with manual pull stations is granted and hard wired smoke alarms are accepted as an equivalency, I would recommend the following changes be made to the current smoke alarms in order to provide adequate coverage.

Add an additional hard wired interconnected smoke alarm in back area of the infant room by the rear exit.

Add an additional hard wired interconnected smoke alarm in basement mechanical room.

Add an additional hard wired interconnected smoke alarm in the first floor mechanical room.

Interconnect the smoke alarms by the office area and preschool rooms with the other smoke alarms in the building.

The owner requested a copy of my report and inspection today. I advised that this would be given to her through the Legislative Hearing Office.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Thanks,



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