



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102
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We need the following to process your appeal:

- \$25 filing fee payable to the City of Saint Paul (if cash: receipt number Check # 1001)
 - Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed
 - Attachments you may wish to include
 - This appeal form completed
 - Walk-In OR Mail-In
- for abatement orders only: Email OR Fax

HEARING DATE & TIME (provided by Legislative Hearing Office) Tuesday, <u>October 1, 2013</u>
Time <u>2:30 PM</u>
Location of Hearing: <u>Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse</u>

E-mailed 9-25-13

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1389 Furness Pkwy City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 554

Appellant/Applicant: Florin Ibrani & Eric Richens Email fibrania@gmail.com & ericrichens@gmail.com
(Tangletown Investments, LLC)

Phone Numbers: Business 612.483.7999 Residence _____ Cell 612.205.6252

Signature: [Signature] Date: 09.23.13

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): _____

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: _____

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell _____

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 _____
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice _____
- Vacant Building Registration _____
- Other _____



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375 Jackson Street, Suite 220

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September 18, 2013

Tangletown Investment Properties LLC
3905 Vandan Road
Minnetonka MN 55345

VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION FEE

WARNING LETTER

The Saint Paul City Council has adopted legislation which requires owners of vacant buildings to pay an annual fee and submit a registration plan on the form(s) enclosed with this letter. The annual fee is **\$1,440.00**. The purpose of this fee is to partially reimburse the City for administrative costs for registering and processing the Vacant Building Owner Registration forms and for the cost of monitoring these properties for compliance with Saint Paul Legislative Codes.

*The fee for the vacant building located at **1389 FURNESS PKWY** is now past due. You have fifteen (15) days from the date of this letter to pay this bill before this fee is sent to assessment, to be collected with your property taxes.*

Do not mail cash

Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43 requires this fee be paid no later than thirty (30) days after the building becomes vacant, and if not paid the owner shall be subject to collections and prosecution as prescribed in the Legislative Code. Also, if at any time the registration fee is unpaid and owing, building permits will be denied for this building.

The full amount owed will be assessed to, and collected with, the taxes for this property as permitted by Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43.

The owner(s) still will be subject to a criminal Summons and Complaint for failure to pay this vacant building registration fee. This citation will necessitate a court appearance in Ramsey County District Court and the owner(s) will be subject to penalties provided for by law. The enclosed registration form must accompany the fee payment.

If you wish to pay in person, you may do so at:

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All category 2 and category 3 vacant buildings must be winterized with gas and water services shut off or, alternately, an excess flow gas valve must be installed in the dwelling, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Notice.

WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL IS REQUIRED BEFORE A CATEGORY 2 OR CATEGORY 3 VACANT BUILDING CAN BE OCCUPIED OR SOLD.

Category 2: Requirements include: 1. register/re-register the building, 2. pay outstanding fee(s), 3. obtain a code compliance report, 4. submit for approval a rehab cost estimate from a licensed contractor and a schedule for completion of all code compliance work, 5. submit proof of financial responsibility acceptable to the City, and 6. obtain Zoning approval of the proposed use.

Category 3: All requirements listed for Category 2 vacant buildings, AND obtain a **Certificate of Occupancy OR Certificate of Code Compliance** prior to the sale of the building.

If the use of this building meets the definition of a nonconforming use by the Zoning Code then the use will lose its nonconforming status 365 days from the date the building was declared vacant.

If you have questions about this registration fee or other vacant building requirements, please contact the Enforcement Officer, Rich Singerhouse, at 651-266-1945.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated. Thank you.

Steve Magner

Vacant Buildings Program Manager
Department of Safety and Inspections

Enclosures: Regulations Requirements Information
Vacant Building Registration Form

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Copies of this letter have been sent to:

Great Northern Fin Group Inc 300 Coon Rapids Blvd #100 Coon Rapids MN
55433-5644



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Code Compliance Report

September 13, 2013

TANGLETOWN INVESTMENT PROPERTIES LLC
3905 VANDAN ROAD
MINNETONKA MN 55345

**** This Report must be Posted
on the Job Site ****

Re: 1389 Furness Pkwy
File#: 12 106445 VB2

Dear Property Owner:

The following is the Code Compliance report you requested on June 07, 2013.

Please be advised that this report is accurate and correct as of the date September 13, 2013. All deficiencies identified by the City after this date must also be corrected and all codes and ordinances must be complied with. This report is valid for 365 days from September 13, 2013. This report may be used in lieu of a Truth in Housing Report required in St Paul Legislative Code 189. This building must be properly secured and the property maintained at all times.

In order to sell or reoccupy this property the following deficiencies must be corrected:

ZONING

1. This property is in a(n) R4 zoning district.
2. This property was inspected as a Single Family Dwelling.

BUILDING **Inspector: Jim Seeger** **Phone: 651-266-9046**

- Tuck Point interior/exterior of foundation as necessary.
- Dry out basement and eliminate source of moisture.
- Remove mold, mildew and moldy or water damaged materials.
- Install handrails (34 inches - 38 inches above each nosing) and guardrails (36 inch minimum) at all stairways, and return hand rail ends into a newel post or wall per attachment.
- Repair or Replace any deteriorated window sash, broken glass, sash holders, re-putty, etc as necessary.
- Provide complete storms and screens, in good repair for all door and window openings.
- Repair walls, ceiling and floors throughout, as necessary.
- Air-seal and insulate attic/access door.

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- Prepare and paint interior and exterior as necessary. Observe necessary abatement procedures (EPA, MPCA and St. Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34 for additional information) if lead base paint is present.
- Provide fire block construction as necessary and seal chases in basement ceiling.
- Install Smoke Detectors/Carbon Monoxide Detectors per MN Conservation Code and the MN Dept. of Labor and Industry: Install per code where feasible.
- Provide major clean-up of premises.
- Provide weather sealed, air sealed and vermin sealed exterior.
- Repair siding, soffit, fascia, trim, etc. as necessary.
- Provide proper drainage around house to direct water away from foundation of house.
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- Install downspouts and a complete gutter system.
- Install rain leaders to direct drainage away from foundation.
- Install flashing in an approved manner at the intersection of the roof with walls, chimneys, and other conjoined surfaces.
- Provide general rehabilitation of garage.
- Install address numbers visible from street and on the alley side of garage.
- Provide ground cover capable of controlling sediment and erosion.
- Grade must drain away from foundation of dwelling. Maintain 6 inch clearance between wood and soil.
- Replace roofing nails in joist hangers with hanger nails on rear 2nd floor deck.
- Replace all decayed siding and trim on garage and house.
- Remove east end addition on garage.
- Replace all skirting under rear addition of house.
- Many floor joist in basement ceiling need sistering or replacement (joist overcut or cut off)
- Basement door not to swing over stairs.
- Install handrail to code on stairs to 2nd floor interconnected top to bottom of stairs.
- Rain water has been running under and against house foundation, repair grading as needed. Some concrete sidewalks slope to dwelling.
- South side fence has no support repair to code.
- Install drip cap on all doors and windows, water running in around window jamb.
- On north side of house repair the concrete sidewalk, to slope away from house.
- Remove trim from inside and outside of windows and remove wet insulation and repair walls.
- Repair basement window openings.
- Repair area under rear section of house (insulation and grading)
- People living in house at time of inspection.
- A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies.

ELECTRICAL **Inspector: Peggy Schlichte** **Phone: 651-266-9039**

- Ground the electrical service to the water service with a copper conductor within 5 feet of the entrance point of the water service
- Provide a complete circuit directory at service panel indicating location and use of all circuits (All Panels)
- Verify all circuit breakers are listed (All Panels)
- Verify that circuit breaker amperage matches wire size (All Panels)
- Close openings in service panel/junction boxes with knockout seals, breaker blanks, and/or junction box covers
- Properly strap cables and conduits in basement/ service conduit on the exterior of the house.
- Remove all cord wiring
- Repair or Replace all broken, missing or loose light fixtures, switches and outlets, covers and plates
- Check all outlets for proper polarity and verify ground on 3-prong outlets
- Remove any 3-wire ungrounded outlets and replace with 2-wire or ground 3-wire to code
- Install hard-wired, battery backup smoke detector and other smoke detectors as required by the IRC. Also, Install carbon monoxide detector(s) within 10 feet of all bedrooms
- Install receptacle for garage door opener
- Remove and or/ re-wire all illegal, improper or hazardous wiring in basement/garage/under kitchen sink
- Replace all painted-over receptacles.
- Remove 2 wires under breaker terminals if breaker is not listed for 2 wires (All Panels)
- Provide proper clearance for electrical panel per current NEC
- Verify fixture in shower is listed for damp and wet location
- Garage has its own service drop. Panel was unsafe to open. Arrange for all wiring to be routed so panel can come off and on safely.
- Verify all grounding and bonding in panel. Verify all breakers are listed and correct amperage matches wire size.
- Based on repair list purchase permit for 8 circuits
- Verify wiring and proper size over current for AC Unit
- All added receptacles must be grounded, tamper-resistant and be on an Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter-protected circuit.
- Any open walls or walls that are opened as part of this project must be wired to the standards of the current NEC.
- All electrical work must be done by a Minnesota-licensed electrical contractor under an electrical permit.

PLUMBING **Inspector: Steve Fernlund** **Phone: 651-266-9052**

- Basement - Water Heater - No gas shut off or gas piping incorrect (MFGC 402.1)
- Basement - Water Heater - gas venting incorrect (MFGC 503)
- Basement - Water Piping - run 1 inch water line from meter to first major take off (SPRWS Water Code)

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- Basement - Gas Piping - dryer gas shutoff; connector or piping incorrect (MFGC 411)
- Basement - Soil and Waste Piping - improper connections, transitions, fittings or pipe usage (MPC 2420)
- Basement - Soil and Waste Piping - no front sewer clean out (MPC 1000)
- Basement - Soil and Waste Piping - no soil stack base clean out
- Basement - Laundry Tub - unvented (MPC 0200 E)
- Basement - Laundry Tub - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- Basement - Lavatory - unvented (MPC 0200. E)
- Basement - Lavatory - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- Basement - Toilet Facilities - unvented (MPC 0200. E)
- Basement - Toilet Facilities - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- First Floor - Gas Piping - range gas shut off; connector or piping incorrect (MFGC 411)
- First Floor - Lavatory - incorrectly vented (MPC 2500)
- First Floor - Lavatory - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- First Floor - Sink - unvented (MPC 0200. E)
- First Floor - Sink - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- First Floor - Tub and Shower - provide anti-scald valve (MPC 1380. Subp. 5)
- First Floor - Tub and Shower - unvented (MPC 0200. E)
- First Floor - Tub and Shower - waste incorrect (MPC 2300)
- Second Floor - Tub and Shower - provide anti-scald valve (MPC 1380. Subp. 5)
- Exterior - Lawn Hydrants - Requires backflow assembly or device (MPC 2000)
- All the above corrections to waste, vent, water, and gas piping shall be per the Minnesota Plumbing Code Chapter 4715 & Chapter 326, the Minnesota Mechanical Code, the Minnesota Fuel Gas Code, and the Saint Paul Regional Water Code. All plumbing must be done by a plumbing contractor licensed in the State of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul under an approved permit.

HEATING **Inspector: Maureen Hanson** **Phone: 651-266-9043**

- Clean and Orsat test both furnace burners. Check all controls for proper operation. Check furnace heat exchangers for leaks; provide documentation from a licensed contractor that the heating units are safe.
- Vent clothes dryer to code.
- Provide adequate combustion air and support duct to code.
- Provide support for gas lines to code
- Plug, cap and/or remove all disconnected gas lines.
- Install air filter access cover on second floor furnace.
- All supply and return ducts for warm air heating system must be clean before final approval for occupancy. Provide documentation from a licensed duct-cleaning contractor that the duct system has been cleaned.
- Repair and/or replace heating registers as necessary
- Provide heat in every habitable room and bathrooms

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- Provide a window in the bathrooms with an aggregate glazing area of not less than 3 square feet, one-half of which must be openable or provide exhaust system vented to outside. A mechanical ventilation permit is required if an exhaust system is installed.
- Verify that gas line to second floor furnace is adequately sized.
- Repair or replace second floor thermostat.
- Run condensate drain from second floor A/C evaporator in three-quarter inch nominal size and provide means to prevent overflow.
- Verify that A/C system is operable, if not, repair, replace or remove and seal all openings.
- Unable to gain entry to garage during inspection, however chimney vent is visible through the roof. If there is any nonconforming heating equipment in the garage, remove it and all connecting piping and venting and permanently seal and plug all openings or install equipment to code
- Mechanical gas permit is required for the above work.

Notes:

- See attachment for permit requirements and appeals procedure.
- Provide plans and specifications for any portion of the building that is to be rebuilt.
- There was considerable storage/clutter within property at the time of the inspection. Property is to meet appropriate Codes when complete.

This is a registered vacant building. In order to sell or reoccupy this building, all deficiencies listed on this code compliance report must be corrected in accordance with the Minimum Housing Standards of the St. Paul Legislative Code (Chapter 34) and all required permits must receive final approval within six (6) months of the date of this report. One (1) six-month time extension may be requested by the owner and will be considered if it can be shown that the code compliance work is proceeding and is more than fifty (50) percent complete in accordance with Legislative Code Section 33.03(f).

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 regarding this inspection report, please contact Jim Seeger between 7:30 - 9:00 AM at 651-266-9046 or leave a voice mail message.

Sincerely,

James L. Seeger, Code Compliance Officer
Phone: 651-266-9046
Email: jim.seeger@ci.stpaul.mn.us

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Attachments

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

From: Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2013 2:27 PM
To: 'fibrani@gmail.com'; 'ericrichens@gmail.com'
Subject: Legislative Hearing scheduled - 1389 Furness Pkwy

Good afternoon –

This e-mail is to confirm that we have received your Application for Appeal of a Vacant Building Registration Fee for address 1389 Furness Parkway. A Legislative Hearing has been scheduled in the above matter for Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. This will take place in Room 330 City Hall, 15 West Kellogg Blvd, St. Paul, MN 55102.

Please feel free to call the Appeals Line if you have any questions prior to the hearing, at (651) 266-8585.

Thank you.

Katie Foss
Receptionist
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