

February 5, 2016

City of Saint Paul, City Council Research
Attn: Marcia Moermond
15 Kellogg Blvd W Suite 310
Saint Paul, MN 55102

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CITY CLERK

Re: Repurchase application relating to a tax-forfeited property at 560 Charles Avenue

Dear Marcia Moermond:

Enclosed please find a repurchase application received from Elizabeth Schwantes, devisee to the owner at the time of forfeiture, for the property located at 560 Charles Avenue. The prior owner, Ann Meier, died in November 2008 and directed that Elizabeth Epperson (Schwantes), through her Last Will and Testament, inherit her estate. The property forfeited to the State of Minnesota on August 1, 2015 and is an occupied single family dwelling. The applicant has explained the circumstances that led to the forfeiture on the attached application. The amount of delinquent taxes owed on the property at the time of forfeiture was \$9,921.32.

County Board policy, No. 99-507, adopted on December 21, 1999, allows for "each repurchase application to be referred to the municipality in which the property is located. The municipality will document whether the property is considered a municipal problem based on documented police, building code, illegal activity, or health violations within the past five years. The municipality, by resolution, shall recommend that the County Board approve or deny the repurchase application and return the repurchase application to Ramsey County along with the resolution and documentation of any violations."

The following documents are enclosed to assist you:

- Copy of Application to Repurchase after Forfeiture
- Map of the parcel

Please send a certified copy of the city council resolution and all relevant documents to the Tax Forfeited Land office for final processing. If you have any questions regarding the enclosed documents or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (651) 266-2081.

Sincerely,



Kristine A. Kujala, Supervisor
Tax Forfeited Lands

Application to Repurchase after Forfeiture

Pin: 36-29-23-23-0187

Legal Description: That part of Lot 1, Block 1, Subdivision of Block 13 of Plat of Stinsons Division of the Northwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 29, Range 23, lying North of line; Beginning at a point on the East line of Lot 1, distance 73.7 feet, South of the Northeast corner thereof; thence Westerly to a point on the West line of Lot 1 distance of 74.3 feet, South of the Northwest corner thereof

Address: 560 Charles Avenue

Forfeiture Date: August 1, 2015

I hereby make application to repurchase the above described parcel of land, located in Ramsey County, from the State of Minnesota, and understand that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 282.241:

- The owner at the time of forfeiture, or the owner's heirs, devisees, or representatives, or any person to whom the right to pay taxes was given by statute, mortgage, or other agreement, may file an application to repurchase any parcel of land claimed by the state to be forfeited to the state for unpaid property taxes, unless sold or conveyed to a third party.
- The property may be repurchased for the sum of all:
 - Cancelled taxes, including all delinquent real property taxes, plus penalties, accrued interest and costs attributable to the taxes.
 - All property taxes plus penalties, interest and costs on those taxes for the taxes payable year following the year of the forfeiture and all subsequent years through the year of repurchase.
 - All delinquent special assessments cancelled at the time of forfeiture, plus penalties, accrued interest and costs attributable to those assessments.
 - Special assessments not levied between the date of forfeiture and the date of repurchase.
 - Any additional costs and interest relating to taxes or assessments accrued between the date of forfeiture and the date of repurchase.
 - Extra costs related to repurchase and recording of deed.
- A \$250.00 administrative service (repurchase) fee, in certified funds, is due at the time the application is submitted.
- All maintenance costs accrued on the property while under the management of Ramsey County, Tax Forfeited Land, from the date of forfeiture until the adoption of a resolution by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, are to be paid by the applicant.
- Applicant will take possession of the property and be responsible for its maintenance and security upon approval of the repurchase by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners.

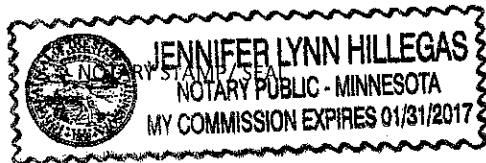
The reason or circumstances that led to the forfeiture of the property is (describe hardship):

See attached.

Application to Repurchase after Forfeiture

Applicant Name: Elizabeth A. Schwantes
Applicant's relationship to the property: Owner
Mailing Address: 560 Charles Ave
City, State, Zip: St. Paul, MN, 55103
Signature: Elizabeth A. Schwantes Date: 1-24-2016
Phone: 651-231-7369
E-mail Address: Elizabeth A. Schwantes

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 28th day of January,
2016 by Elizabeth A Schwantes.



Given under my hand and official seal of this

20th day of January, 2016

[Signature]
Signature of Notary Public

Notary Commissioner Expires 01/31/2017

The reason or circumstances that let to the forfeiture of the property is (describe hardship):

The home was never vacant for 2 years. It was only vacant for 2 months due to me working in the home. It went into forfeiture due to me going down to the property tax office and they refused my payment. I had \$1000.00 to pay on the taxes and I was only short \$400.00 and was going to come back on the following Friday to pay the rest. They would not let me make the payment and that is why it went into forfeiture. I was on the Confession of Judgment program for back taxes. I am still working at Cub Foods and only working part time. They do not offer full time there. I only make so much money and I am also a single parent trying to take care of my children as well. That is why I am having a hardship at this time. I am willing to repurchase the home. If you approve for me to buy it back, I will do every thing in my power to make it work so I can keep this home. I need to do this for my children, not just for myself.



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