



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

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CITY CLERK

Saint Paul City Clerk

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8560

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, 7-17-12

Time 2:30 P.M.

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 536 E. Iowa Ave City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55130

Appellant/Applicant: Karen/Don Weiblen Email Karen.weiblen@gmail.com

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence 651-774-6413 Cell 651-235-6934

Signature: Karen Weiblen Date: 6.25.2012

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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We believe we have always had a valid building permit. We don't believe it should be considered a vacant building and we should be allowed to complete work.



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

June 25, 2012

Nuisance Building Code Enforcement

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220

Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

651-266-8989

651-266-1919

[www.stpaul.gov/dsi](http://www.stpaul.gov/dsi)

Karen Weiblen/Don Weiblen  
536 Iowa Ave E  
St Paul MN 55101-3025

## 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 **\$1,100.00**. 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 **536 IOWA AVE E** 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

SM: rs

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Copies of this letter have been sent to:

Karen M Torvi 536 Iowa Ave E St Paul MN 55130-3025



Back to: Ramsey County, MN property tax assessment data, St. Paul, Minnesota, All US cities.

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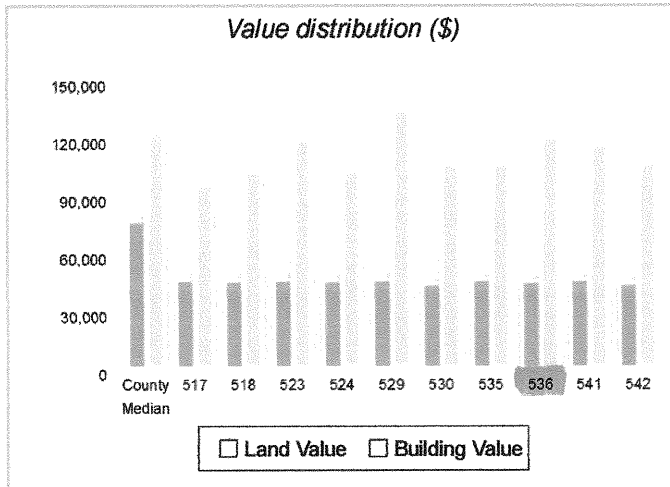
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## Property valuation of E Iowa Avenue, St. Paul, MN: 517, 518, 523, 524, 529, 530, 535, 536, 541, 542 (tax assessments)

Previous properties  
on E Iowa Avenue

Next properties  
on E Iowa Avenue

**Nearest streets:** E Hoyt Avenue (1) E Hoyt Avenue (2) E Iowa Avenue (1) E Iowa Avenue (2) E Iowa Avenue (3)



**Properties valuation of:**  
 536 E Iowa Avenue  
 St. Paul, MN  
 Total value: \$165,000  
 Total value of the land: \$45,000  
[Detailed Info >>](#)

**Total value**

- \$272,000
- \$254,000
- \$235,000
- \$217,000
- \$199,000
- \$181,000
- \$163,000
- \$144,000

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**517 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **PATRICK L CUSICK**

Land value: \$46,100

Building value: \$96,100

Total value for property: \$142,200

Sale date: 05/01/1994

Sale price: \$81,500

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**518 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **DOROTHY E GUSTAFSON**

Land value: \$45,600

Building value: \$103,000

Total value for property: \$148,600

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**523 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **ROBERT G JOHNSON & PATRICIA M JOHNSON**

Land value: \$46,100

Building value: \$119,500

Total value for property: \$165,600

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**524 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **KENNETH A BUNDE**

Land value: \$45,600

Building value: \$103,000

Total value for property: \$148,600

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**529 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **HEATHER C KELLY**

Land value: \$46,100

Building value: \$134,600

Total value for property: \$180,700

Sales:

- Sale date: 01/01/1994

Sale price: \$81,500

- Sale date: 05/29/2001  
Sale price: \$145,000
- Sale date: 06/22/2006  
Sale price: \$225,000
- Sale date: 05/01/2009  
Sale price: \$200,000

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**530 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **RENEE C WOLFE & MCLEAN T BERNDT**

Land value: \$43,900

Building value: \$105,900

Total value for property: \$149,800

Sales:

- Sale date: 04/22/1998  
Sale price: \$98,000
- Sale date: 09/20/2002  
Sale price: \$140,900
- Sale date: 09/20/2002  
Sale price: \$140,900
- Sale date: 10/18/2005  
Sale price: \$189,500

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**535 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **JANE LEE & KYUNG LEE**

Land value: \$46,100

Building value: \$106,100

Total value for property: \$152,200

Sales:

- Sale date: 12/01/1992  
Sale price: \$37,500
- Sale date: 12/19/2003  
Sale price: \$165,000
- Sale date: 10/10/2005  
Sale price: \$207,000

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**536 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **KAREN M TORVI**

Land value: \$45,000

Building value: \$120,000

Total value for property: \$165,000

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**541 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **CHINH THI TRAN**

Land value: \$46,100

Building value: \$116,200

Total value for property: \$162,300

Sales:

- Sale date: 01/31/1996  
Sale price: \$83,450
  - Sale date: 06/30/2003  
Sale price: \$179,000
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**542 E Iowa Avenue**

St. Paul, MN

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Owner: **ROBERTO PENA & ROSANNA PENA**

Land value: \$43,900

Building value: \$107,100

Total value for property: \$151,000

Sales:

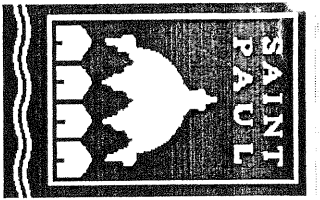
- Sale date: 10/17/2003  
Sale price: \$189,900
  - Sale date: 03/18/2005  
Sale price: \$199,000
  - Sale date: 10/27/2008  
Sale price: \$140,000
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Iowa Avenue (2)    E Iowa Avenue (3)





CITY OF SAINT PAUL

# BUILDING

**BUILDING INSPECTION APPROVALS**  
**651-266-9002 BETWEEN 7:30 - 9:00 AM**

Work shall not proceed without inspector approvals.

**PERMIT # : 20 02 228053**

## CONTRACTOR

KAREN WEIBLEN

**ISSUED DATE: 06/16/2003**

1. FOOTINGS <i>9/9/03 ok. to pour found. walls. g.2</i>	4. INSULATION
2. REBAR	5. SHEETROCK
3. FRAME	6. FINAL

Permit will become null and void if construction work is not started within 180 days of the date the permit is issued.

<b>TYPE OF WORK:</b>	Single Family Dwelling - Addition
<b>LOCATION:</b>	536 IOWA AVE E

**INSPECTOR:** Ubl, Stephen

**PHONE:** 651-266-9028

### MINIMUM INSPECTIONS REQUIRED FOR ALL CONSTRUCTION WORK.

1. Soil, foundation and footings
2. Framing. Before covering structural members.
3. Insulation. Before covering and after vapor barrier is installed.
4. Sheetrock. Where fire rating is required.
5. Final. Before Occupancy.

APPROVED PLANS MUST BE RETAINED ON JOB AND THIS CARD KEEP POSTED UNTIL FINAL INSPECTION HAS BEEN APPROVED. NO BUILDINGS SHALL BE OCCUPIED WITHOUT INSPECTOR APPROVAL.

SEPARATE PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR ELECTRIC, PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL WORK.

POST THIS NOTICE SO THAT IT IS VISIBLE FROM THE STREET



**BUILDING PERMIT**

**PERMIT #:20 02 228053**  
**Issued Date: June 16, 2003**

**CITY OF SAINT PAUL**

Office of License, Inspection  
& Environmental Protection  
350 St. Peter Street, Suite 300  
Saint Paul, MN 55102-1510  
PHONE: (651) 266-9090  
FAX: (651) 266-9124

**CONTRACTOR:**

**OWNER:**

**KAREN WEIBLEN**  
**536 IOWA AVE E**  
**ST PAUL MN 55101-3025**

**KAREN WEIBLEN**  
**536 IOWA AVE E**  
**ST PAUL MN 55101-3025**

**PERMIT ADDRESS:** 536 IOWA AVE E  
ST PAUL MN 55101-3025

**SUB TYPE:** Single Family Dwelling

**WORK TYPE:** Addition

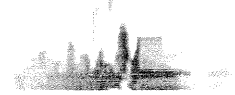
The following "Trade" Permits are required for this project: Electrical, W.Air Vent,

Change/Expansion of Use?	No	Existing Primary Use	R-Single Family Dwe
# of Dwelling Units	1	State Valuation	30000
Scope of New Work	Full Permit	Exterior Repair Work (R)	N/A
Primary Occupancy Group	R-3	Primary Construction Type	V-N
Addition Length (ft)	40	Addition Width (ft)	8
Addition Height	25	Addition # of Stories	2
Addition Total Sq.Feet	960	Addition Basement?	Yes
Add.Bsmt. Size(sq.ft)	320	Building Length (ft)	32
Building Width (ft)	40	Building Height (ft)	25
Building # of Stories	2	Building Total Sq. Ft.	3840
Setback-Front	N/C	Setback-Rear	68
Setback-Side 1	15	Setback-Side 2	9.916
Plan Number	V-2003-0973		

<b>FEES</b>	
Permit Fee	394.75
Plan Check Fee	106.00
Surcharge B	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>510.75</b>

REAR 2-STORY ADDITION W/ NEW NON-HABITABLE BASEMENT (8 X 40)- 2ND FLOOR TO BE REMOVED AND NEW FLOOR AND ROOF TRUSSES.

The inspector assigned to this Permit is Stephen U. who can be reached at 651-266-9028 between 7.30 AM and 9.00 AM Monday through Friday



**Info Main City Contact**

**536 IOWA AVE E -- Property Information --**

PIN	Zoning/Use	HPC District
202922210123	R2 / R-Single Family Dwelling - Vacant Building Category 2	

**Information disclaimer...**

Data Disclaimer:-

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**List of Activity...**

Number	Address	Description	Details	Status
08 099783	536 IOWA	Vacant Building	VB Event Log:	Inspected
VB2 00 VB	AVE E	Monitoring 3/18/11:	06/24/2008: New Category 2 - Single Family	
		Fee waived until	Residential	
		6/24/2012, then will	07/23/2008: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU Oct	
		re-evaluate, per SM.	31, 2008 per D Lippert	
		cs	07/29/2008: Code compliance fee of \$125.00 required per Jim Seeger/AW/lkk	
			07/29/2008: DSI Code Compliance Inspection Fee Paid	
			08/08/2008: Code Compliance Report sent. Per J, Seeger, this is a Building only inspection report. ml	
			08/11/2008: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU Oct 31, 2008	
			09/25/2008: DSI Code Compliance Inspection Report Completed on 09/25/2008	
			10/07/2008: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU Oct 31, 2008	
			10/24/2008: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU Dec 31, 2008	
			01/20/2009: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU 06/24/2009 per SM	
			04/23/2009: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU 07/22/2009	
			05/25/2009: \$1,000 renewal registration fee due on Jun 24, 2009	
			07/10/2009: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU 08/31/2009	
			09/03/2009: Fee assessed 09/03/2009 and pending for 30 days, until 10/03/2009. This is the 2008-09 fee (inv# 712168)	
			09/03/2009: Fee assessed 09/03/2009 and pending for 30 days, until 10/03/2009. This is the 2009-10 fee (inv# 769802)	
			09/14/2009: Assessment payment voided	
			09/14/2009: Assessment payment voided	
			09/14/2009: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU 08/31/2009	
			12/08/2009: VB FEE TEMPORARILY WAIVED THRU 06/01/2010	
			02/11/2010: Fee assessed 02/11/2010 and pending for 30 days, until 03/13/2010	
			05/17/2010: Assessment payment voided	
			11/02/2010: Per Magner: VB fees are waived until June	

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List

2015; a new code compliance inspection is not required; permit issuance is approved. RS  
3/18/2011: Per Magnier: VB fees waived until June, 2012, and will be re-evaluated at that time. Other conditions as above still stand. cs  
05/25/2012: \$1100 renewal registration fee due on Jun 24, 2012

08 099780 536 IOWA Vacant Building 08/15/2008: Vacant Building - Code Compliance Report Under  
VAC 00 CS AVE E Monitoring 3/18/11: Complaint Date: 06/24/2008 Review  
Fee waived until Initial Inspection: 06/23/2008  
6/24/2012, then will VB Category 2 - Single Family Residential  
re-evaluate, per SM. Next Inspection on or after: 05/08/2012  
cs Inspector: 331

Inspection Results (most recent first):

- 05/01/2012: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 02/22/2012: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 02/07/2012: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 12/28/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 12/12/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 10/26/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 08/09/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 07/11/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 06/30/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 06/15/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 02/24/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 02/16/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 01/20/2011: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 11/08/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 10/01/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 08/27/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 06/25/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
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- 03/29/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 01/07/2010: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 11/18/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 10/07/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 07/30/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 05/29/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 03/02/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 02/27/2009: VB Monitoring (Recheck)
- 10/21/2008: VB Monitoring (Recheck)

08/06/2008: VB Monitoring (Recheck)

07/01/2008: Garbage/Rubbish (Abated)  
Grass/Weeds (Abated)  
VB Monitoring (Recheck)

06/23/2008: Garbage/Rubbish (Summary Abatement)  
Grass/Weeds (Summary Abatement)  
VB Monitoring (Recheck)

07 042774	536 IOWA	Remove snow and	Parks Summary Abatement	Closed
000 00 PA	AVE E	ice from public	Type: Snow Ice	
		sidewalk full width,	Entered on: 03/09/2007	
		salt and sand as	Closed on: 03/12/2007	
		needed.		

# PETITION

We, the undersigned, have no objection to Karen and Don Weiblen being allowed to have their building permit extended for as long as they need to be able to finish their house at 536 East Iowa Avenue.

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE #	DATE
Matthew	506 Iowa Ave	(651)-771-3070	3/19/11
Bill Lee	1595 Wheelock Ridge Rd	(651) 772-1332	3/19/11
Kia Lee	" " " "	" " " "	" "
MICHAEL & DEB O'CONNOR	477 IDAHO AVE E.	651-917-0313	3/19/11
JOE O'CONNOR	" "	" "	" "
Mr. Frank	536 Iowa Ave	651-774-2802	3-19-11
Jodi James	1652 DeSoto St.	651-774-1547	3/19/11
John Meyer	548 Iowa Ave	651-772-4945	3/19/11
John P. [unclear]	517 Iowa Ave	651-776-7676	3/19/11
Chris Lee	1603 Wheelock Ridge	651-793-5941	3/21/11
Frank James	1652 DeSoto Street	651-492-9175	3/21/11
Nancy Gramse	1652 DeSoto Street	651-492-0195	3/21/11
Chuck Josephson	553 E. Iowa Ave.	651-774-1995	3/21/11
Barbara Josephson	553 E. Iowa Ave.	651-774-1995	3/21/11
Abelie	535 Iowa Ave. E.	651-489-7544	3/21/11
Chris Bunde	524 Town AVE E	651-774-6362	3/21/11
Hudley Kelly	529 Iowa Ave N.	<del>651-774</del> 651-1637	3/21/11
Robert Kow	542 Iowa Ave E.	651-470-2729	3/21/11

