

217 Eastbank Ct. N.  
Hudson,WI 54016

May 11, 2012

Mai Vang  
City of St. Paul  
310 City hall  
15 West Kellogg Blvd.  
St. Paul, MN 55102-1615

Dear Ms. Vang:

I plan to attend the City Council Public Hearing scheduled for May 16, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 300 Council Chambers, to appeal for a variance on a 3<sup>rd</sup> floor egress window at the above-referenced property. I would appreciate it if the Council would have this information prior to the hearing.

The window in question is a double hung window. Both sashes can easily be tipped down and completely removed in approximately 10 seconds. (At a previous fire inspection, the inspector commented that he wished more people had this type of window, due to its' ease of operation.)

When the window is opened to its' maximum, it measures 21" x 39.5" or 5.76 sq. ft. which exceeds the required opening by .76 sq inches. (It is actually faster to pop the 2 panes out of this double hung window than it is to crank open a casement window all the way to meet standards.) Simple instructions are posted near the window and the tenants have been instructed and understand how to quickly remove both sashes.

A picture of the window in questions as well as the posted instructions are attached.

Sincerely,

Norm Linnell  
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