

I was told the appeal had no charge  
I presume that after reinspection, Mr Hoffman  
will approve my prairie garden thus no appeal.



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council - Legislative Hearings

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

We need 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/letter being appealed
- Attachments you may wish to include
- This appeal form completed
- Walk-In OR  Mail-In  Faxed
- for abatement orders only:  Email OR  Fax

**HEARING DATE & TIME**

(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)

Tuesday, **8/27/2013**

Time **11:00 AM**

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 750 E 4th St City: St Paul State: Mn Zip: 55106

Appellant/Applicant: John Knowles Email TWISTTONES@aol.com

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence 651-600-9791 Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: [Signature] Date: 8-22-13

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

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

## What Is Being Appealed and Why?

- 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

Please provide me with a list of photos of acceptable prairie flowers Attachments Are Acceptable

I have a prairie garden - it takes time to mature. The last few years James Hoffman has always told me it was OK. This year he insists I destroy it. I requested a definition for "RAWK weed" I will bring photos to the appeal (see above comments)

# Legislative Hearing Fact Sheet

Legislative Hearings provide a forum to review appeals of City-issued orders and develop recommendations for City Council consideration. Appellants not satisfied with the recommendation of the Hearing Officer also have an opportunity to be heard before the City Council if they wish to appeal further. Any person unsatisfied by the quasi-judicial decision of the City Council may obtain judicial review by timely filing of an action.

## Appeal Applications

Appeal application forms are available online at <http://www.stpaul.gov/index.aspx?NID=161> or they can be mailed to you calling 651-266-8585. Appeal applications may be submitted in person at or by mail at Legislative Hearings, 310 City Hall, 15 Kellogg Boulevard W., St. Paul, MN 55102. Appeal applications should be filed within ten days of the date of written notification of the item(s) being appealed.

## Scheduling Your Appeal Hearing

The date and time of the hearing for those applications submitted in person will usually be set at that time. Mailed applications will be copied and returned to the appellant with the date and time clearly indicated on the form. Generally, appeal hearings are scheduled one to four weeks after the application is submitted. Once an appeal has been scheduled, it may not be rescheduled more than once. Additional rescheduling will only be done by referral from the City Council.

*If you are appealing a special assessment or wish to be heard on a proposed order to abate a nuisance building, the appeal dates and times are automatically listed in the orders themselves.*

## Hearings Are Held on Tuesdays & The Schedule Typically Is:

- 9:00 Tax Assessments & Orders to Remove or Repair
- 11:00 Summary & Vehicle Abatement Orders
- 11:30 Condemnations, Revocations & Vacate Order
- 1:30 Fire Certificate of Occupancy Letters & Code Enforcement Notices
- 2:30 Vacant Building Registration Notices
- 3:00 Other Cases and Overflow Hearings

## What to Expect at the Hearing

A number of appeals are heard in each hearing session. For each appeal, City Staff will give a report and appellants will be given time to present information, testimony, photos or other documents. The Hearing Officer will take all of this into account to develop a recommendation for Council consideration. Occasionally, a decision cannot be made at the hearing and the matter will be laid over or continued to allow the appellant and/or staff time to gather more information. The hearings are quite informal but it is still expected that cell phones and pagers will be turned off, and City staff and appellants will address one another respectfully.

Interpreter: If you need an interpreter for your hearing, please call 651-266-8585 for us to arrange one.



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CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS  
DIVISION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT  
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

August 19, 2013

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## SUMMARY ABATEMENT ORDER

- Yog hais tias koj hais tsis to taub tsab ntawv no, hu rau tus txhais lus ntawm (651) 266-8989. Nws yog pab dawb zwb.
- Si necessita un traductor, por favor llamanos al (651)266-8989. No costo.

John H Knowles  
750 4th St E  
St Paul MN 55106-5143

As owner or person(s) responsible for: 750 4TH ST E you are hereby ordered to eliminate all nuisance conditions which are in violation of Chapter 45 of Saint Paul Legislative Code.

- Remove improperly stored or accumulated refuse including: garbage, rubbish, discarded furniture, appliances, vehicle parts, scrap wood and metal, recycling materials, household items, building materials or rubble, tires, brush, etc., from yard areas. REMOVE MATTRESS FROM BLVD
- Cut and remove tall grass, weeds and rank plant growth. CUT ALL RANK WEED GROWTH ON PROPERTY
- Remove and properly dispose of all animal feces from yard areas.
- IMMEDIATELY secure all buildings which are open to unauthorized entry, including:
- Other:

If you do not correct the nuisance or file an appeal before August 23, 2013, the City will correct the nuisance and charge all costs, including boarding costs, against the property as a special assessment to be collected in the same way as property taxes. Charges: If the City corrects the nuisance, the charges will include the cost of correction, inspection, travel time, equipment, etc. The rate will be approximately \$260.00 per hour plus expenses for abatement.

**You must maintain the premises in a clean condition and provide proper and adequate refuse storage at all times**

**FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN A CRIMINAL CITATION**

Issued by: James Hoffman Badge Number 356 Phone Number 651-266-1947

If you have any questions about this order, the requirements or the deadline, you should contact the Inspector listed above, Monday through Friday.

Appeals: You may appeal this order and obtain a hearing before the City Council by completing an appeal application with the City Clerk before the appeal deadline noted above or seven (7) days after the date mailed, whichever comes first. No appeals may be filed after that date. You may obtain an appeal application from the City Clerk's Office, Room 310, City Hall, St. Paul, MN 55102. The telephone number is (651) 266-8585. You must submit a copy of this Correction Order with your appeal application.

**\*WARNING** Code inspection and enforcement trips cost the taxpayers money. If the violations are not corrected within the time period required in this notice, the city's costs in conducting a reinspection after the due date for compliance will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. If additional new violations are discovered within the next following 12 months, the city's costs in conducting additional inspections at this same location within such 12 months will be collected from the owner rather than being paid by the taxpayers of the city. Any such future costs will be collected by assessment against the real property and are in addition to any other fines or assessments which may be levied against you and your property.

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651-288-1966 Fax

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West Side Branch**

**Fax**

*City of St. Paul*

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Fax: *651-266-8574* Pages: *4 including cover*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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• Comments:

*Thank you*

*FAX # 288-1966*

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City Council Offices  
15 Kellogg Boulevard West  
Suite 310 City Hall/Courthouse  
Saint Paul, MN 55102  
Phone: 651-266-8560  
Fax: 651-266-8574

TO: John Knowles

FROM: Katie Foss

FAX #: 651-288-1966

RE: Legislative Hearing Scheduled on

8-27-13 @ 11:00 AM (see attached)

If this date and time doesn't work for

you, please contact me at 651-266-8560 to

reschedule. -Thank you.

DATE: 8/22/13

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