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APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

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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

YOUR HEARING Date and Time:

Tuesday, 3-8-11

Time 1:30

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Mailed 2-23-11

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1664 Ashland Ave #5 City: St Paul State: MN Zip: 55104

Appellant/Applicant: Kay Slack + Jeff Slack Email SLAX@POBOX.COM

Phone Numbers: Business ^{Jeff} 651.310.7206 Residence 651.641.1161 Cell ^{Kay} 651.324.7851

Signature: Kay Slack Date: 2-16-2011

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): _____

Address (if not Appellant's): Appellant's address 1660 Ashland Ave 55104

Phone Numbers: Business same 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
- Other
- Other

incorrect dimensions - see attached

Jeff and Kay Slack
1660 Ashland Ave
St Paul MN 55104

February 16, 2011

RE 1664 ASHLAND AVE UNIT 5
ST PAUL MN 55104

To Whom It May Concern:

We are the owners of the above referenced condo which we currently have rented to a young couple, and which is next door to our primary residence. Recently we had a fire inspection, which resulted in the attached fire inspection correction notice.

We have either corrected or are in the process of correcting items 1-5 and 7. We are writing to appeal #6 and request an exemption from that requirement.

Item #6 addresses the dimensions of the egress windows in the two bedrooms in unit #5. The requirement is that the window width be 20 inches and the openable height be 24 inches. Our windows have a width of 32 inches and an openable height of 20 inches. Thus they do not strictly meet the regulation although in fact they provide a larger opening than the regulation requires, even though the width/height requirement is reversed. Our windows provide 640 sq. in. of egress, whereas the regulation requires only 480.

We believe that the condo's windows provide a safe means of exit in case of fire or we would not be renting the unit, having no wish to be responsible for the demise of our tenants or anyone else for that matter.

We ask that you give thoughtful consideration to our request for an exemption. The expense of replacing the windows would be significant and, we believe, unnecessary given the dimensions of the existing windows.

Thank you,



Kay Slack

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January 28, 2011

JEFF SLACK
1660 ASHLAND AVE
ST PAUL MN 55104

FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 1664 ASHLAND AVE
Residential Class: C

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on January 28, 2011 for the renewal of your Fire Certificate of Occupancy. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected prior to the re-inspection date.

A re-inspection will be made on March 3, 2011 at 1:00 PM.

Failure to comply may result in a criminal citation or the revocation of the Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building shall be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING TENANTS IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LIST OF DEFICIENCIES ARE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Basement - MSFC 703 - The fire door must not be obstructed or impaired from its proper operation at any time.
-Repair fire door to close and latch fully.
2. Basement - SPC 4715.2000, 2110 - Provide an approved backflow preventer. This work will require a permit; call Regional Water Services at (651) 266-8989.
-Provide an approved backflow preventer for both boilers. Obtain approval under permit.
3. Basement - SPLC 34.11, SBC 2902.1, SPLC 34.17, MPC 415.0220 - Repair or replace and maintain the plumbing fixture to an operational condition.
-Repair leaking water pipe.

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4. Basement - MSFC 3404.3.4, SPLC 34.15 (1) - Reduce and maintain the flammable or combustible liquids storage quantity in accordance with MSFC 2703.1.1(1) or other approved storage methods.
-Remove all flammable liquids from the building.
5. Basement - MSFC 901.6 - The sprinkler system does not appear to properly protect the hazard. Sprinklers shall be spaced not less than 6 feet. Contact a fire sprinkler contractor to provide remedies to properly protect the hazard. All sprinkler work must be done by a licensed contractor under permit.
-Contact a licensed sprinkler contractor to provide an approved baffle per NFPA 13. Obtain approval under permit.
6. Unit 5 - Bedrooms - MSFC1026.1 - Provide and maintain an approved escape window from each sleeping room. The minimum size must be 5 square feet of glazed area with a minimum of 24 inches of openable height and 20 inches of openable width. With a finished sill height not more than 48 inches. This work may require permit(s). Call DSI at (651) - 266-9090. Refer to the Escape Windows for Residential Occupancies handout for more information.
-Both bedrooms have a double hung egress window that measures 20 inches height by 32 inches width openable space and have a glazed area of 10.0 square feet.
7. Unit 5 - MN Stat. 299F.362 - Immediately provide and maintain a smoke detector located outside each sleeping area.
-Also repair or replace non-working smoke detector in bedroom.

For an explanation or information on some of the violations contained in this report, please visit our web page at: <http://www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/index.aspx?NID=211>

You have the right to appeal these orders to the Legislative Hearing Officer. Applications for appeals may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, 310 City Hall, City/County Courthouse, 15 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul MN 55102 Phone: (651-266-8688) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of this order.

If you have any questions, email me at: william.beumer@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8991 between 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

William Beumer
Fire Inspector

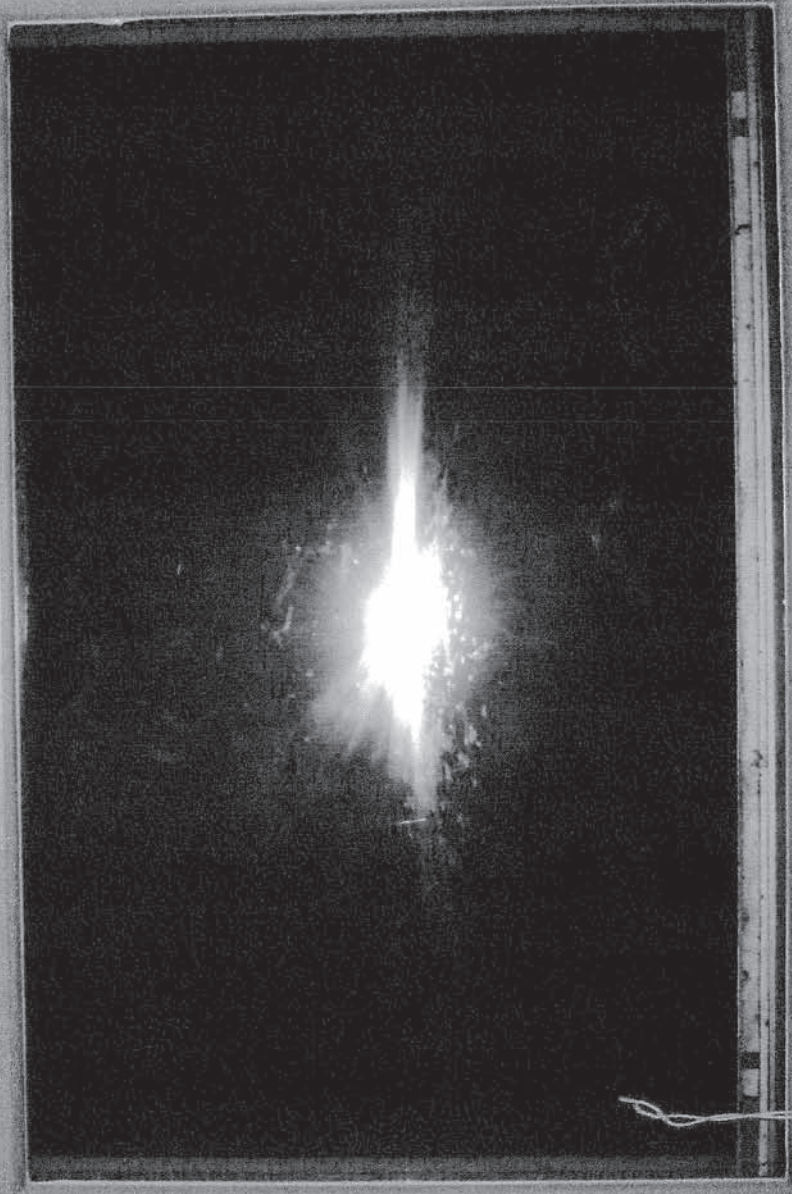
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Dep't of Safety & Inspections
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Fire Marshall
228-6201
0266-8989
7:30-4:30

1664 Asklund #5 1988 window

45m

65m



20m