



# City of Saint Paul

15 West Kellogg Blvd.  
Saint Paul, MN 55102

## Meeting Minutes - Action Only - Draft

### Legislative Hearings

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Tuesday, May 10, 2011

9:00 AM

Room 330 City Hall & Court House

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Reviewing progress of rehabilitation for 1456 COHANSEY STREET.

**Sponsors:** Helgen

*Electrical and Mechanical permits must be signed off by June 1 and the rest by June 15.*

*RE: 1456 Cohansey Street*

*No one appeared.*

*Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings, Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI), reported that on April 28, 2011, a letter was sent to John Boyle, Esquire, at Lawson Burnett, etc. It read:*

*This is to confirm that on April 26, 2011, Ms. Moermond and Mr. Magner reviewed the above referenced material to get an update on the progress of the rehabilitation. Looking at the City records, there's no updated permits pulled besides building and electrical permits. Ms. Moermond requested that a progress report be submitted by Tuesday, May 10, 2011.*

*Mr. Magner read the letter from John Boyle, Lawson Burnett dated April 25, 2011:*

*Ms. Moermond, you asked that by April 26, 2011, Mr. Bedner provide you with an update on the status of rehabilitation of the home on 1456 Cohansey Street. Please accept this letter on Mr. Bedner's behalf in lieu of his appearing at the Legislative Hearing scheduled for tomorrow morning. Since the last time we were before you, Boink Heating tested the furnace at the home and signed-off that the system operates safely and properly; have enclosed a copy of the completed safety test. In addition, Bonfe Plumbing has been to the property and completed the following tasks: installed a new water heater with copper lines; removed the old water heater; vented the new water heater to a fluke from the furnace; replaced the trap and the connection between wash tubs in the basement to facilitate improved draining; installed a new toilet with a shut-off valve on main floor; repaired the toilet in the downstairs bathroom and added a shut-off valve; installed a new faucet in the kitchen; and, installed a new sink and faucet in the main floor bathroom. Bonfe will return to the property later this week to repair, replace or update the plumbing under the kitchen sink, shower in the basement and the faucets on the bathtub. Once the work is completed, the home will be ready for restoration of full water services from the City. Furthermore, the weather is improving and he is cleaning up the outside. Mr. Bedner's neighbors have expressed appreciation for these efforts and indicated that they are anxious to see the City's signage removed from the property. If we can*

*answer any questions or provide any more information, please don't hesitate to contact me. Very Truly Yours, John C. Boyle.*

*Ms. Moermond asked if there were a finalized plumbing permit. Mr. Magner responded that there are open and active plumbing and building permits; they have an inspected electrical permit (not finalized). Ms. Moermond noted that the most recent work plan indicates that the whole thing should be done by now. Mr. Magner responded that none of this will take too long to do. Ms. Moermond suggested a sign-off on the mechanical and electrical by June 1, 2011 and the plumbing by June 15, 2011.*

*Mr. Magner commented that he didn't think we had this letter at the time of the hearing on April 26, 2011.*

**Laid Over to the Legislative Hearings due back on 5/24/2011**