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Code Compliance Report

April 08, 2010

THOMAS E GORZ
772 DESOTO ST
ST PAUL MN 55101-4215

Re: 772 Desoto St
File#: 09 262411 VB2

Dear Property Owner:

The following is the Code Compliance report you requested on December 16, 2009.

Please be advised that this report is accurate and correct as of the date April 08, 2010. All deficiencies identified by the City after this date must also be corrected and all codes and ordinances must be complied with. This report is valid for 365 days from April 08, 2010. This report may be used in lieu of a Truth in Housing Report required in St Paul Legislative Code 189. This building must be properly secured and the property maintained at all times.

In order to sell or reoccupy this property the following deficiencies must be corrected:

BUILDING **Inspector: Jim Seeger** **Phone: 651-266-9046**

- Install handrails and guardrails at all stairways, including basement stairways, and return handrail ends to the wall or newel post per attachment.
- Repair or Replace any deteriorated window sash, broken glass, sash holders, re-putty, etc as necessary
- Provide complete storms and screens, in good repair for all door and window openings
- Repair walls, ceiling and floors throughout, as necessary
- Prepare and paint interior and exterior as necessary. Observe necessary abatement procedure if lead base paint is present (See St Paul Legislative Code, Chap. 34 for additional information).
- Install attic insulation according to applicable code
- Air-seal and insulate attic access door in an approved manner
- Provide smoke detectors per the MN Building Code and carbon monoxide detectors per State Law.
- Repair siding, soffit, fascia, trim, etc. as necessary
- Maintain 6 inches minimum clearance between wood and soil, sloped to drain away from foundation of dwelling.
- Maintain 6 inches minimum clearance between wood and soil, sloped to drain away from foundation of garage.

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- Provide proper drainage around house to direct water away from foundation of house.
- Provide proper drainage around garage to direct water away from foundation of garage.
- Install rain leaders to direct drainage away from foundation.
- Provide general rehabilitation of garage.
- Install address numbers visible from street and alley.
- Provide durable, dustless parking surface as specified in the zoning code.
- Provide ground cover capable of controlling sediment and erosion.
- Close in open stair risers to maintain an opening no greater than 4 inches
- Install service door on garage.
- Install landing at south side storage shed stair base.
- Remove south side storage shed (two story building) or apply for variance with Zoning Dept.
- A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies.

ELECTRICAL **Inspector: Jamie McNamara** **Phone: 651-266-9037**

- Provide a complete circuit directory at service panel indicating location and use of all circuits
- Close openings in service panel/junction box with knock out seals, breaker blanks and/or junction boxes
- Install/replace GFCI receptacle in second floor bathroom adjacent to the sink
- Ground bathroom light and fan in second floor bathroom and disconnect receptacle on fixture
- Repair or Replace all broken, missing or loose light fixtures, switches and outlets, covers and plates
- Check all outlets for proper polarity and verify ground on 3-prong outlets
- Remove any 3-wire ungrounded outlets and replace with 2-wire or ground 3-wire to code
- Install hard-wired, battery backup smoke detector per bulletin 80-1 and other smoke detectors as required by the IRC. Also, Install carbon monoxide detector(s) within 10 feet of all bedrooms
- In basement install 15 amp breakers on #14 wire. Re-fasten dryer outlet. Second floor east bedroom install third receptacle. Outside move weather head to within 24 inches of the point of attachment of service drop.
- All added receptacles must be grounded, tamper-resistant and be on an Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter-protected circuit.
- Any open walls or walls that are opened as part of this project must be wired to the standards of the 2008 NEC.
- All buildings on the property must meet the St. Paul Property Maintenance Code (Bulletin 80-1).
- All electrical work must be done by a Minnesota-licensed electrical contractor under an electrical permit.
- Basement - Water Heater - Vent must be in chimney liner
- Basement - Water Heater - Water piping incorrect
- Basement - Water Heater - gas shut off incorrect

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PLUMBING **Inspector: Denny Watters** **Phone: 651-266-9051**

- Basement - Laundry Tub - incorrectly vented
- Basement - Soil and Waste Piping - unplugged or open piping; back pitched piping at stack
- First Floor - Laundry Tub - waste incorrect trap
- Second Floor - Tub and Shower - Provide access
- Obtain plumbing permits prior to commencement of work.

HEATING **Inspector: Maureen Hanson** **Phone: 651-266-9043**

- Vent clothes dryer to code.
- Raise combustion air opening a minimum of twelve inches above surrounding grade, install approved hood and support duct to code.
- Provide support for gas lines to code.
- Plug, cap and/or remove all disconnected gas lines.
- Provide heat in every habitable room and bathrooms.
- A gas mechanical permit is required for the above work.

ZONING

1. This property is in a (n) RT1 zoning district.
2. This property was inspected as a Single Family Dwelling.

Notes:

- See attachment for permit requirements and appeals procedure.
- Most of the roof covering could not be inspected from grade. Recommend this be done before rehabilitation is attempted.
- Roof, sidewalks. All must meet appropriate codes when completed.
- There was considerable storage/clutter within property at the time of the inspection. Property is to meet appropriate Codes when complete.

This is a registered vacant building. In order to sell or reoccupy this building, all deficiencies listed on this code compliance report must be corrected within six (6) months of the date of this report. One (1) six-month time extension may be requested by the owner and will be considered if it can be shown that the code compliance work is proceeding and is more than fifty (50) percent complete in accordance with Legislative Code Section 33.03(f).

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 651-266-8688. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of this notice. (You must submit a copy of this notice when you appeal, and pay a filing fee.) If you have any questions regarding this inspection report, please contact Jim Seeger between 7:30 - 9:00 AM at 651-266-8989 or leave a voice mail message.

Sincerely,

James L. Seeger, Code Compliance Officer
JLS:ml Attachments