



January 12, 2023

842 Vandalia Llc
842 Vandalia St
Saint Paul MN 55114-1305

RESCHEDULED, UPDATED
Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate

RE: 842 VANDALIA ST
Ref. # 14112

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected the renewal of the Certificate of Occupancy. Since you have failed to comply with the applicable requirements, it has become necessary to revoke the Certificate of Occupancy in accordance with Section 40.06 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code. **A reinspection will be made on February 13, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. or the property vacated.**

The Saint Paul Legislative Code further provides that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. Failure to immediately complete the following deficiency list or the building vacated may result in a criminal citation.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. **1st Floor Front Office Areas** - SPLC 40 - Uncertified portions of the building must not be occupied until inspected and approved by this office. - *1st floor office areas in the front of the building are not to be occupied until inspected and approved. Permits are required for installation of an approved permanent heat source for this area.*
2. **Exits** - MSFC 1104.3, 1011.1 - Provide and maintain approved directional exit signs.- *Provide exit signs to designate proper path to all exit doors once an approved exiting plan has been provided for the warehouse/shop areas. Additional exits are required from current setup and exit signs should not be installed until after the exiting plan has been approved.*
3. **Exits** - MSFC 1021 - Provide an approved additional means of egress due to an inadequate number of exits. - *Additional approved exits are required from the*

warehouse areas which are being used as an auto repair garage. Provide an exiting plan and provide additional exits as necessary under building permit.

4. **Exits** - MSFC Table 1104.17.4 - Provide an approved additional means of egress to reduce the travel distance to the exit. - *Additional approved exits are required from the warehouse areas which are being used as an auto repair garage. There are currently no approved exits from the middle and rear portions of building. Provide an exiting plan and provide additional exits as necessary under building permit.*
5. **Rear Garage - Heating** - MFGC 602.1 - Immediately discontinue and remove the unvented heating appliance. - *Discontinue use of unvented kerosene heaters as the primary heating source for the rear garage area. Any use of the unvented heaters must be for supplemental heat and must be in accordance with listing specifications for the heaters. The garage area did not appear to have adequate ventilation and no information was available to demonstrate that the heaters are approved for interior use. As of this letter date, there are permits on file for installation of unit heaters, permits have not yet been inspected or approved.*
6. **Repair Garage** - MSBC 1300.022 Subp. 3 - The occupancy group or use division of this building has been changed from that previously approved. Discontinue the unapproved occupancy or use, or contact the Building Official at 651-266-8989 with your code analysis and to comply with requirements for approved occupancy. - *The most recent approved use of the building is S-1 Warehouse Ordinary Hazard and building is found to be in use as a commercial auto repair garage. This change of occupancy will require a building permit. As of this letter date, there is a building permit application pending for work being done as part of the change in occupancy. This permit is still in "under review" status and has not been issued or inspected.*

Saint Paul Legislative Code authorizes this inspection and collection of inspection fees. For forms, fee schedule, inspection handouts, or information on some of the violations contained in this report, please visit our web page at: <http://www.stpaul.gov/cofo>

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: (651-266-8585) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of this order.

If you have any questions, email me at: mitchell.imbertson@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8986 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

Mitchell Imbertson

Fire Safety Inspector

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