



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

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CITY CLERK

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

for abatement orders only: ☐ Email OR ☐ Fax

HEARING DATE & TIME

(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)

Tuesday, July 23, 2013

Time 2:30 p.m.

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 773 E 7th St City: St Paul State: MN Zip: 55107

Appellant/Applicant: Philip J Black Email PhilipJBlack@msn.com

Phone Numbers: Business 651 470 8030 Residence _____ Cell _____

Signature: Philip J Black Date: _____

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Hua Yi Gao

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: 1360 University Ave West, Box 301
St. Paul, MN 55104

Phone Numbers: Business _____ 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
- ☐ Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- ☒ Vacant Building Registration
- ☐ Other

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CITY OF SAINT PAUL
Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

Nuisance Building Code Enforcement
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

651-266-8989
651-266-1919
www.stpaul.gov/dsi

July 11, 2013

Hua Ying Gao
773 7th St E
Saint Paul MN 55106-5025

VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION NOTICE

The premises at **773 7TH ST E**

has been inspected and found to meet the legal definition of a Vacant Building as described in Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43. You are required to register this building with the Department of Safety and Inspections, Vacant Buildings Division, by filling out and returning the registration form provided with this letter. You are also required to pay the annual Vacant Building Registration Fee of **\$1,440.00**. The fee is due upon receipt of this letter and must be paid no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this letter, as required in Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43. If this building is vacant due to a fire, complete the enclosed registration form and return it to this office within 30 days.

Please return the enclosed registration form along with your payment by August 11, 2013.

Do not mail cash.

If you wish to pay in person, you may do so from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at:

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

You may file an appeal to this fee or registration requirements by contacting the Office of the City Clerk at (651) 266-8688. Any appeal of this fee must be made within ten (10) days of the date of this notice.

If the registration fee is not received in this office within 45 days of the date of this letter the full amount owed will be assessed to, and collected with, the taxes for this property as permitted by Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43.

The Code Enforcement Officer has notified the Building Inspection And Design Section that this property meets the legal definition of a registered vacant building and in accordance with Legislative Code Chapter 33, no permits (except demolition, wrecking and removal permits) will be issued until the requirements of all applicable ordinances are fulfilled.

All category 2 and category 3 vacant buildings must be winterized with gas and water services shut off or, alternately, an excess flow gas valve must be installed in the dwelling, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Notice.

**WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL IS REQUIRED BEFORE A
CATEGORY 2 OR CATEGORY 3 VACANT BUILDING CAN BE OCCUPIED OR SOLD.**

Category 2: Requirements include: 1. register/re-register the building, 2. pay outstanding fee(s), 3. obtain a code compliance report, 4. submit for approval a rehab cost estimate from a licensed contractor and a schedule for completion of all code compliance work, 5. submit proof of financial responsibility acceptable to the City, and 6. obtain Zoning approval of the proposed use.

Category 3: All requirements listed for Category 2 vacant buildings, AND obtain a **Certificate of Occupancy OR Certificate of Code Compliance** prior to the sale of the building.

If the use of this building meets the definition of a nonconforming use by the Zoning Code then the use will lose its nonconforming status 365 days from the date the building was declared vacant.

**You must contact the Enforcement officer, Tom Friel,
at 651-266-1906 to find out what must be done before this
building can be legally reoccupied.**

The Enforcement Officer may declare this building(s) to constitute a Nuisance Building subject to demolition and issue an Order to Abate under authority of Legislative Code Chapter 45. In the event this building is declared a Nuisance Building subject to demolition, the Enforcement Officer will notify all owners and interested parties of the Order to Abate, as provided in the Legislative Code Chapter 45.

If you have questions about this annual registration fee or other vacant building requirements, please contact the Enforcement Officer, Tom Friel, at 651-266-1906.

This registration form and fee is required by law. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Thank You,

Steve Magner
Vacant Buildings Program Manager
Department of Safety and Inspections

Enclosures: Regulations Requirements Information
Vacant Building Registration Form

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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

July 10, 2013

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SUMMARY ABATEMENT ORDER

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- 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.

Hua Ying Gao
773 7th St E
Saint Paul MN 55106-5025

Occupant
771 7TH ST E
St Paul MN 55106-5025

Town Development
1360 University Ave W Ste 301
St Paul MN 55104

As owner or person(s) responsible for: 773 7TH ST E you are hereby ordered to eliminate all nuisance conditions which are in violation of Chapter 45 of Saint Paul Legislative Code.

☒ X

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.

☐ Cut and remove tall grass, weeds and rank plant growth.

☒ X

IMMEDIATELY secure all buildings which are open to unauthorized entry, including: garage service and vehicle doors, any openable doors and windows on house. 771 side must be immediately vacated. Thank you.

☐ Other:

If you do not correct the nuisance or file an appeal before **July 16, 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: Tom Friel Badge Number 355 Phone Number 651-266-1906

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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July 1, 2013

PHILLIP BLACK
TOWN DEVELOPMENT
1360 UNIVERSITY AVE W STE 301
ST PAUL MN 55104

Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate

RE: 773 7TH ST E

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was determined to be a registered vacant building on July 1, 2013. Since certificates are for the occupancy of buildings, it has become necessary to revoke the Certificate of Occupancy.

Saint Paul Legislative Code provides that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. In order to re-occupy the building, the following deficiencies (if applicable) must be corrected and a complete Certificate of Occupancy inspection will be required.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. 771 - 2nd Floor Bathroom - SPLC 34.11 (4), 34.34 (1), MPC 4515, MPC 326 - Connect or cap the sewer piping in accordance with the plumbing code. This work **will** require a permit. Contact DSI at 651-266-8989.-Contact a licensed plumber to install a vent for the sink drain and obtain approval under permit.
-Per the City Council, this work must be done by 9/20/2013.
2. 771 Basement - Water Heater - MFGC 501.2 - Provide, repair or replace the fuel equipment vent to develop a positive flow adequate to convey all products of combustion to the outside. This work **will** require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-9090.
-Properly seal the vent connection into the chimney.
-Obtain approval under permit for the new vent and vent liner that was installed.

3. 771 Basement - MSMC 504.6 - Provide, repair or replace the dryer exhaust duct. Exhaust ducts for domestic clothes dryers shall be constructed of metal and shall have a smooth interior finish. The exhaust duct shall be a minimum nominal size of four inches (102 mm) in diameter and installed in accordance with the mechanical code. This work **will** require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
-Obtain approval under permit for the new dryer vent.
4. 771 Basement - SPLC 34.11 (4), 34.34 (1), MPC 4515, MPC 326 - Connect or cap the sewer piping in accordance with the plumbing code.
-Repair the improperly installed and leaking drain pipe near the laundry sink.
5. Exterior - 771 Rear Entry - SPLC 34.09 (2), 34.32(2) - Repair or replace the unsafe stairways, porch, decks or railings in an approved manner. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-9090. -Repair the unsafe stairs.
6. Exterior - 771 Stairs - SPLC 34.09 (2), 34.32(2) - Repair or replace the damaged guardrail in an approved manner. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-9090.
7. Exterior - SPLC 34.08 (3) - Provide and maintain suitable ground cover on all exterior areas to control erosion.
8. SPLC 34.11 (6), 34.34 (3) - Provide service of heating facility by a licensed contractor which must include a carbon monoxide test. Submit an approved completed copy of the Saint Paul Fire Marshal's Existing Fuel Burning Equipment Safety Test Report to this office.

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

Sincerely,

William Beumer
Fire Inspector

Ref. # 108039