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# **Code Compliance Report**

January 17, 2014

BANK OF AMERICA C/O JEFFREY VANDENBOSCH 7887 SAFEGUARD CIRCL VALLEY VIEW OH 44125 \* \* This Report must be Posted on the Job Site \* \*

Re: 349 Curtice St E File#: 13 210117 VB3

Dear Property Owner:

The following is the Code Compliance report you requested on December 06, 2013.

Please be advised that this report is accurate and correct as of the date January 17, 2014. 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 January 17, 2014. 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:

## **ZONING**

- 1. This property is in a(n) R4 zoning district.
- 2. This property was inspected as a Single Family Dwelling.

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

- Dry out basement and eliminate source of moisture.
- Remove mold, mildew and moldy or water damaged materials.
- Install handrails (34 inches 38 inches above each nosing) and guardrails (36 inch minimum) at all stairways, and return hand rail ends into a newel post or wall 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.
- Provide functional hardware at all doors and windows
- Exit doors shall be capable of being opened from the inside, easily and without the use of a key. Remove all surface bolts.

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- Repair or replace damaged doors and frames as necessary, including storm doors.
- Weather seal exterior doors, threshold and weather-stripping.
- Install floor covering in bathroom and kitchen that is impervious to water.
- Repair walls, ceiling and floors throughout, as necessary.
- Prepare and paint interior and exterior as necessary. Observe necessary abatement procedures (EPA, MPCA and St. Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34 for additional information) if lead base paint is present.
- Any framing members that required repair or do not meet code (where wall and ceiling covering
  is removed, members that are over-spanned, over-spaced, not being carried properly, door and
  window openings that are not adequately supported, etc.) are to be reconstructed in an approved
  manner.
- Charred building components shall be scraped or sandblasted completely clean and water-damaged components replaced. A determination of necessary fire damage corrective measures shall be made by this department or by a registered structural engineer as to replacement, repairs, etc. All smoke damaged and charred members shall be cleaned, sealed and deodorized.
- Provide fire block construction as necessary and seal chases in basement ceiling.
- Where wall and ceiling covering is removed install full thickness or code-specified insulation.
- Air-seal and insulate attic/access door.
- Install Smoke Detectors/Carbon Monoxide Detectors per MN Conservation Code and the MN Dept. of Labor and Industry: Install per code where feasible.
- Provide major clean-up of premises.
- Repair siding, soffit, fascia, trim, etc. as necessary.
- Provide proper drainage around house to direct water away from foundation of house.
- Install downspouts and a complete gutter system.
- Install rain leaders to direct drainage away from foundation.
- Provide durable, dustless parking surface as specified in the zoning code.
- Provide ground cover capable of controlling sediment and erosion.
- Openings in stair risers must be less than 4 inches.
- Grade must drain away from foundation of dwelling. Maintain 6 inch clearance between wood and soil.
- Repair or replace rear 3 trusses on 2nd floor (fire damaged) and scrap and seal, fire and smoke damaged areas.
- Install roof and soffit venting to code.
- Replace all fire damaged sheathing and house wrap. Have inspected before covering.
- Call for insulation and framing inspections before covering.
- Install stair and guardrails per code requirements.
- Secure rear doors without stairs or guardrails.
- House had fire on upper floor, repair all to code.
- Double fee demo work done without permit \$4500 value permit.
- Building permit value \$30,000 minimum.
- A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies.

#### **ELECTRICAL** Inspector: Steve Reimers Phone: 651-266-9037

- Ground the electrical service to the water service with a copper conductor within 5 feet of the entrance point of the water service
- Bond around water meter with a copper wire sized for the electrical service per Article 250 of the NEC
- Provide a complete circuit directory at service panel indicating location and use of all circuits
- Verify that fuse/circuit breaker amperage matches wire size
- Close openings in service panel/junction boxes with knockout seals, breaker blanks, and/or junction box covers
- Properly strap cables and conduits in basement/ service conduit on the exterior of the house.
- Remove all cord wiring
- 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
- Install hard-wired, battery backup smoke detector and other smoke detectors as required by the IRC. Also, Install carbon monoxide detector(s) within 10 feet of all bedrooms
- Remove and or/ re-wire all illegal, improper or hazardous wiring in basement/garage
- Replace all painted-over receptacles.
- All wire is exposed to damage on 1st and 2nd floor.
- Insulation and sheet rock removed from walls.
- 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 current NEC.
- All electrical work must be done by a Minnesota-licensed electrical contractor under an electrical permit.

#### PLUMBING Inspector: Troy McManus Phone: 651-266-9053

- Basement Water Heater gas venting incorrect (MFGC 503)
- Basement Water Heater not fired or in service (MPC 2180)
- Basement Water Meter meter is removed or not in service (MPC 4715.1700)
- Basement Water Meter raise meter to a minimum 12 inches above floor (MPC 2280)
- Basement Water Piping add appropriate hangers (MPC 1430 Subp. 4)
- Basement Water Piping provide water piping to all fixtures and appliances (MPC 1700)
- Basement Water Piping repair or replace all corroded, broken or leaking piping (MPC 4715.1720)
- Basement Water Piping run 1 inch water line from meter to first major take off (SPRWS Water Code)
- Basement Soil and Waste Piping replace the floor drain cover or clean out plug (MPC 1300)
- Basement Toilet Facilities reset the toilet on a firm base (MPC 0870)
- Basement Tub and Shower provide anti-scald valve (MPC 1380. Subp. 5)
- Bathroom Plumbing General Caulk all fixtures to code (MPC 1220 Subp.2)
- First Floor Lavatory faucet is missing, broken, or parts missing (MPC 0200.P.)

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- First Floor Lavatory fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- First Floor Sink faucet is missing, broken or parts missing (MPC 0200.P.)
- First Floor Sink fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- First Floor Toilet Facilities fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- Second Floor Gas Piping run dryer vent to code (MFGC 614.1 614.7)
- Second Floor Laundry Tub faucet is missing, broken or parts missing (MPC 0200. P.)
- Second Floor Laundry Tub fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- Second Floor Lavatory faucet is missing, broken, or parts missing (MPC 0200.P.)
- Second Floor Lavatory fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- Second Floor Toilet Facilities fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- Second Floor Tub and Shower Provide access (MPC 0900)
- Second Floor Tub and Shower faucet is missing, broken or parts missing (MPC 0200. P.)
- Second Floor Tub and Shower fixture is broken or parts missing (MPC 0200 0.)
- Second Floor Tub and Shower replace waste and overflow (MPC 1240)
- All Floors Replace all piping that has been altered due to the heat and fire.
- Exterior Lawn Hydrants Requires backflow assembly or device (MPC 2000)
- All the above corrections to waste, vent, water, and gas piping shall be per the Minnesota Plumbing Code Chapter 4715 & Chapter 326, the Minnesota Mechanical Code, the Minnesota Fuel Gas Code, and the Saint Paul Regional Water Code. All plumbing must be done by a plumbing contractor licensed in the State of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul under an approved permit.

### **HEATING** Inspector: Jerry Hanson Phone: 651-266-9044

- Install approved lever handle manual building shutoff gas valve in an accessible location ahead of the first branch tee.
- Clean and Orsat test furnace burner. Check all controls for proper operation. Check furnace heat exchanger for leak; provide documentation from a licensed contractor that the heating unit is safe
- Plug hole in PVC exhaust at furnace.
- Provide a window in the bathrooms with an aggregate glazing area of not less than 3 square feet, one-half of which must be openable or provide exhaust system vented to outside. A mechanical ventilation permit is required if an exhaust system is installed.
- All supply and return ducts for warm air heating system must be clean before final approval for occupancy. Provide documentation from a licensed duct-cleaning contractor that the duct system has been cleaned.
- Install heating registers.
- Provide heat in every habitable room and bathrooms
- Have all duct work inspected before concealing.
- Run A/C condensate drain three-quarter inch nominal size to an approved location and secure as needed.
- Provide a means of returning air from every habitable room to the furnace. Return air can not be taken from closets, bathrooms, toilet rooms, kitchen or mechanical rooms.
- Verify that A/C system is operable, if not, repair, replace or remove and seal all openings.
- Mechanical gas and warm air permits are required for the above work.

#### **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, etc. snow covered and could not be inspected. 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 in accordance with the Minimum Housing Standards of the St. Paul Legislative Code (Chapter 34) and all required permits must receive final approval 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 651-266-9046 or leave a voice mail message.

Sincerely,

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JLS:ml Attachments