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Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2014 10:50 AM
To: Magner, Steve (CI-StPaul); Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Subject: 444 Beacon Ave

Mr. Magner and Ms. Moermond,

After following and reviewing the status of 444 Beacon, I want to express my concern as a neighbor and citizen interested in the redevelopment of St. Paul. Since Mr. Amaya's purchase, no visible signs of care have been taken on this property. A neighbor has mowed the grass and plowed the snow to maintain appearances in the interest of neighborhood safety, not Mr. Amaya.

Nothing in the minutes of the legislative hearing meeting from March 25th gives me assurance that Mr. Amaya has the resources or the capacity to complete the needed renovations on this property to restore it to a livable state.

Our neighborhood is in a very fragile state. With 2 vacant buildings adjacent to 444 Beacon, and another at 456 Wheeler St N, the opportunity to remove old structures needing significant updating and replace them with efficient new construction is much more mindful for the long term health of the neighborhood than allowing a low bid flip with unclear financial resources.

Given the limited finances and foggy at best details of a family contractor completing this unlikely renovation in both scope and timeframe, I am requesting that you recommend against the work plan for renovation from Mr. Amaya and recommend removal of the structure. Thank you.

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