

Hello Scott,

I left you a message today, 1/19/15 regarding the above property. There have been problems with that property for years. About three or maybe four years ago, it was fire bombed. The issues have been drugs, domestic assault, stolen vehicles, illegal dumping (vacant city lot nextdoor). The arrests have involved the owner's two sons--Christopher and Jeffrey Olson (twins), and two acquaintances, Anthony Fiero and his girlfriend. Since I have not seen Christopher or Jeffrey, there have been numerous other people frequenting that property, primarily JUNKERS, who are driving through the alley constantly day and night, sorting their junk on the City's vacant lot and driving out again. These junkers are associated with 667 E. Cook. There is no reason for these junkers to be hauling junk to that property. One particular vehicle does not have a muffler on it. It is a pick-up truck with a camper on back. Plate #501-DAK. I have called the St. Paul Police Department numerous times on that property, and as recently as yesterday, I called because of the extremely loud pick-up truck, revving the engine just outside my property when they pass through the alley. They do it on purpose because I have called on that truck. Also, yesterday, two trucks, the aforementioned pick-up truck and another pick-up, plate #387-GRV (not sure, I think that is correct), were parked side by side on the City's vacant lot. The driver of that pick-up deliberately drives as close as he can get to the 695 E. Cook vacant lot as he can get, and swerves back and forth leaving tire marks as though to indicate a threat to run into my property.

Scott, I am begging you to please look up all of the calls to Police, and the numerous arrests (domestic assault and drugs), so you can get an idea of what is going on and what has been going on for years at that property. It should have been condemned years ago. That property owner, Sonja Olson, is getting by with murder. Does she have friends in high places? Anybody else would have been forced out a long time ago, and the house would have been and should have been demolished. There are other problem properties near and adjacent to 667 E. Cook. They also get by with murder because no one else will call the Police. I have calll DSI numerous times to get the owner to clean up the property. It never happened. There has also been the issue of illegal burning in the backyard. There is also a lot of working on vehicles in the back of that property.

Please do whatever you can to stop the crime and the insanity at that property. or get rid of it. I cannot take the loud muffler anymore. As I mentioned, the driver sits outside my property in the alley and revs up the engine on that truck as loud as he can because he knows (somebody told him, or as usual either the Police or neighbors told him I call the Police). The noise scares the heck out of my cat, and I just plain cannot take it anymore.

The St. Paul City Council needs to look further at the issue of junkers in the city. It seems to me that junkerse can do whatever they want, (i.e., pile junk high up in the back of their pick-up truck, no tarp) and drive vehicles that are not fit to be on the city streets. If there are junker laws, there is no enforcement. For example, can anyone become a junker and use their private home as a recycling center? That is what is occurring at 667 E. Cook and has been occurring for a long time.

A couple of years ago, I contacted a former Commander at the East Team regarding 667 E. Cook, and since that time, I had been communicating with Officer Sue Drutschmann. However, Officer Drutschmann retired recently. I sent her e-mails about what was going on at that property and those e-mails must be somewhere at the East Team.

I cannot be at the City Council meeting this Wednesday, but I wanted to give you as much information about that property as I could. Again, please "throw the book" at the owner, and you also need to know that she is apparently renting to various people. There is still a LOT of vehicle traffic at that end of this alley, most of it undoubtedly is drug traffic.

Please do not show any mercy toward that homeowner. She has gotten by with too much for years.

Thank you.

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