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APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council - Legislative Hearings

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(if cash: receipt number Check 5675	(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)
₹ Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed	Tuesday, May 26, 2015
Attachments you may wish to include	
□ This appeal form completed	Time 1:30 PM
□ Walk-In OR 🕱 Mail-In	Location of Hearing:
	Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse
for abatement orders only: Email OR Fax	
Address Being Appealed:	
Number & Street: 2115 Summit Ave. City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55105 (Anderson Student Center, University of St. Thomas)	
Appellant/Applicant: Colin Brownlow Email brow 6404@stthomas.ed	
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Phone Numbers: Business 651-962-6533 Residence Cell 952-240-0486	
Signature: LeO1. B Date: 5/8/2015	
Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): University of St. Thomas	
Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: see attached business Card	
Phone Numbers: Business Residence	Cell
What Is Being Appealed and Why? Attachments Are Acceptable	
Vacate Order/Condemnation/	L-d-111
Revocation of Fire C of O See cattached letter	
□ Summary/Vehicle Abatement	
Fire C of O Deficiency List/Correction	
Code Enforcement Correction Notice	
□ Vacant Building Registration	
□ Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)	



Colin S. Brownlow, M.S. Director of Environmental Health and Safety Physical Plant Services

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May 8, 2015

Legislative Hearing Officer Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearing 310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd. Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Subject: Application for Appeal of Fire CofO Deficiency List, Ref. #117894

Dear Legislative Hearing Officer,

The University of St. Thomas was issued a Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies letter (May 4, 2015) for the Anderson Student Center, located on the university's St. Paul Campus, by Fire Inspector Ms. Kris Skow Fiske.

The deficiency letter lists the deficiencies, SPLC citations for the deficiencies and the corrective actions as follows:

"DEFICIENCY LIST

- 1. 358 CUSTODIAL ROOM ANDERSON SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.34 (6) Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner.
 - -Patch hole in wall and cover the insulation. Insulation shall not be exposed.
- 2. 360 ELECTRICAL ROOM ANDERSON SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.34 (6) Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner.
 - -Patch hole by conduit and cover the insulation. Insulation shall not be exposed."

The two SPLC codes cited have identical language, and require that interior walls and ceilings be maintained in sound condition and a professional state of maintenance and repair. The University contends that walls with these two spaces are in sound condition and a professional state of maintenance and repair.

The Anderson Student Center building was completed and issued a Certificate of Occupancy by the City of St. Paul in 2010. The rooms in question are a custodial closet (Room 358) and an electrical room (Room 360). The location of the rooms is shown in the attached Figure 1. Figure 2 shows the two rooms and adjacent rooms as well as details of fire walls and non-rated partition walls. Photo 1 shows the doors to these two rooms and the hallway off which they are located.

The Fire CofO deficiencies refer to electrical and communications conduit penetrations through the south wall of Room 360 and through the north and south walls of Room 358. The penetrations and walls are shown in the attached Photos 2, 3 and 4.

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The University asserts and contends the following:

- 1. The walls penetrated by the conduit are non-rated partition walls. They are not sealed to the ceiling deck. There are gaps between the roof deck and the top of the walls. Figures 1 and 2 clearly show the walls are non-rated. Holes in the walls for conduit penetrations do not affect the fire or structural integrity of these rooms or the building.
- 2. The conduit penetrations are part of the original construction of the building. Building construction management was provided by Opus Design Build, LLC. API Electric (since purchased by Hunt Electric) was the electrical subcontractor for the building and did all electrical installation work. Installation of all electrical and communications conduit was done by licensed electricians and overseen by one of the largest and most reputable construction firms in the state. We would suggest that by definition the installation of the conduit was done in professional manner.
- 3. The building electrical and mechanical plans were reviewed by the City of St. Paul prior to and during building construction. The building itself was inspected by the City prior to its completion and issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy in 2010. City inspectors had ample opportunity to object, if they felt that installation of conduit in these rooms did not comply with city codes.
- 4. The rooms in question are a custodial closet and electrical closet. The rooms are not intended for regular occupancy, they are not visible to the general public, and have restricted access (custodial and maintenance personnel only). The holes in the upper part of the walls of these two rooms in no way impacts the comfort and safety of building occupants, nor does it create any public nuisance or detract from the visual appearance of the building interior.

The University of St. Thomas takes compliance with city codes, fire and building codes very seriously. We do however object to apparently trivial and overbroad citations which do not serve to improve fire safety, preserve structural building integrity or improve the comfort and esthetic appearance of our buildings. We respectfully request that the two deficiencies be voided.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-962-6533 or by email at brow6404@stthomas.edu.

Best Regards,

Colin S. Brownlow, MS

Director of Environmental Health and Safety

C: James Brummer, AVP Facilities Management



CITY OF SAINT PAUL Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220 Saint Paul. Minnesota 55101-1806 Telephone: 651-266-8989 Facsimile: 651-266-8951 Web: www.stpaul.gov/dsi

May 4, 2015

College Of St Thomas 2115 Summit Ave St Paul MN 55105-1048

RE:

RE-INSPECTION FIRE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY WITH DEFICIENCIES

2115 SUMMIT AVE BLDG UST

Ref. # 117894

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was re-inspected for the Fire Certificate of Occupancy on January 27, 2015. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected immediately.

A re-inspection will be made on May 28, 2015 at 9:30 AM.

Failure to comply may result in a criminal citation or the revocation of the Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

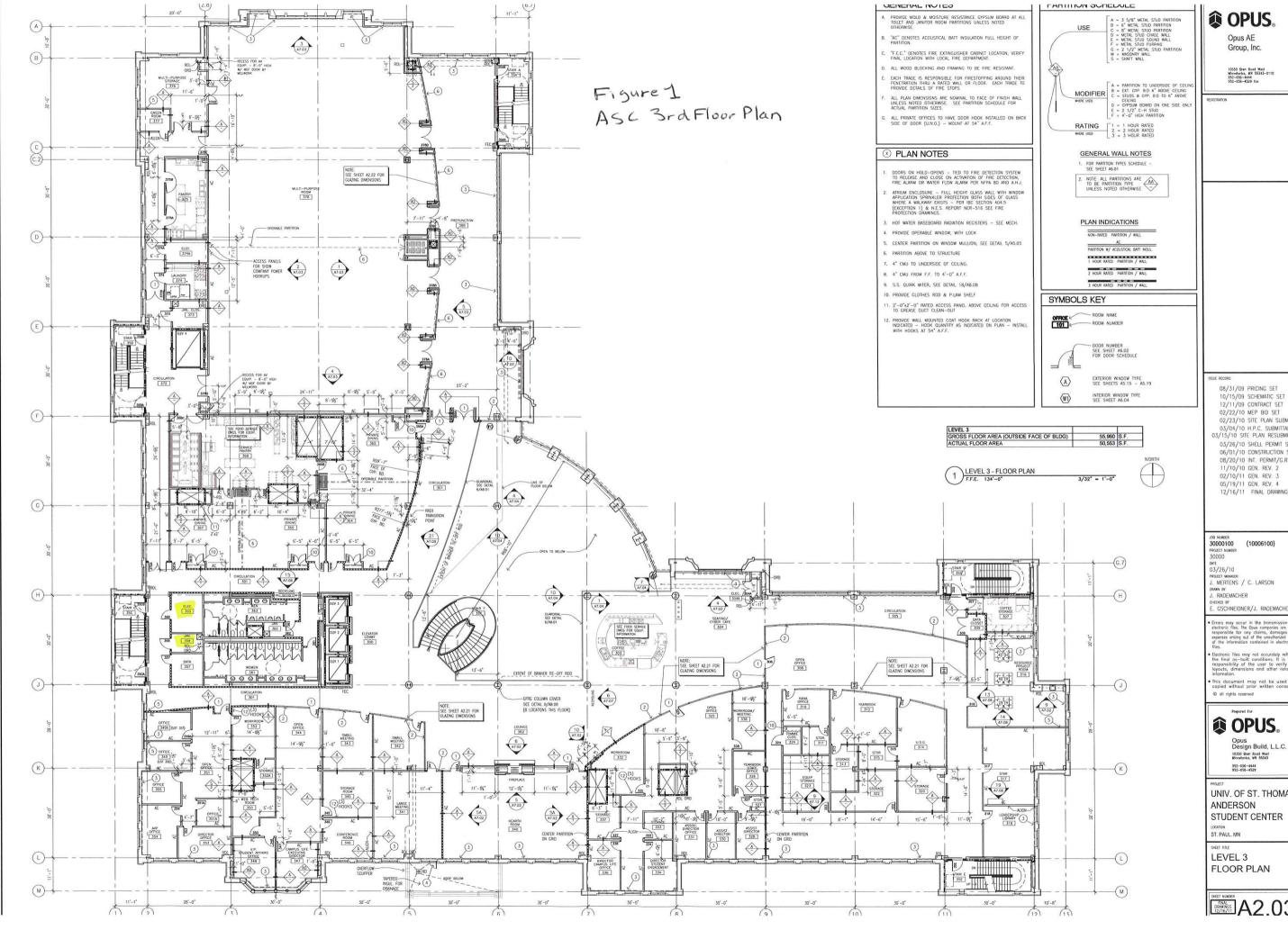
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You have the right to appeal these orders to the Legislative Hearing Officer. Applications for appeals may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, 310 City Hall, City/County Courthouse, 15 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul MN 55102 Phone: (651-266-8585) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of the original orders.

If you have any questions, email me at kris.skow-fiske@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8949 between 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely, Kris Skow-Fiske Fire Inspector



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Opus AE Group, Inc.

02/23/10 SITE PLAN SUBMITT 03/04/10 H.P.C. SUBMITTAL 03/15/10 SITE PLAN RESUBMITTA 03/26/10 SHELL PERMIT SET 06/01/10 CONSTRUCTION SE 08/20/10 INT. PERMIT/G.R. 11/10/10 GEN. REV. 2 02/10/11 GEN. REV. 3 05/19/11 GEN. REV. 4 12/16/11 FINAL DRAWINGS

JOB NUMBER 30000100 (10006100) PROJECT NUMBER 30000

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03/26/10
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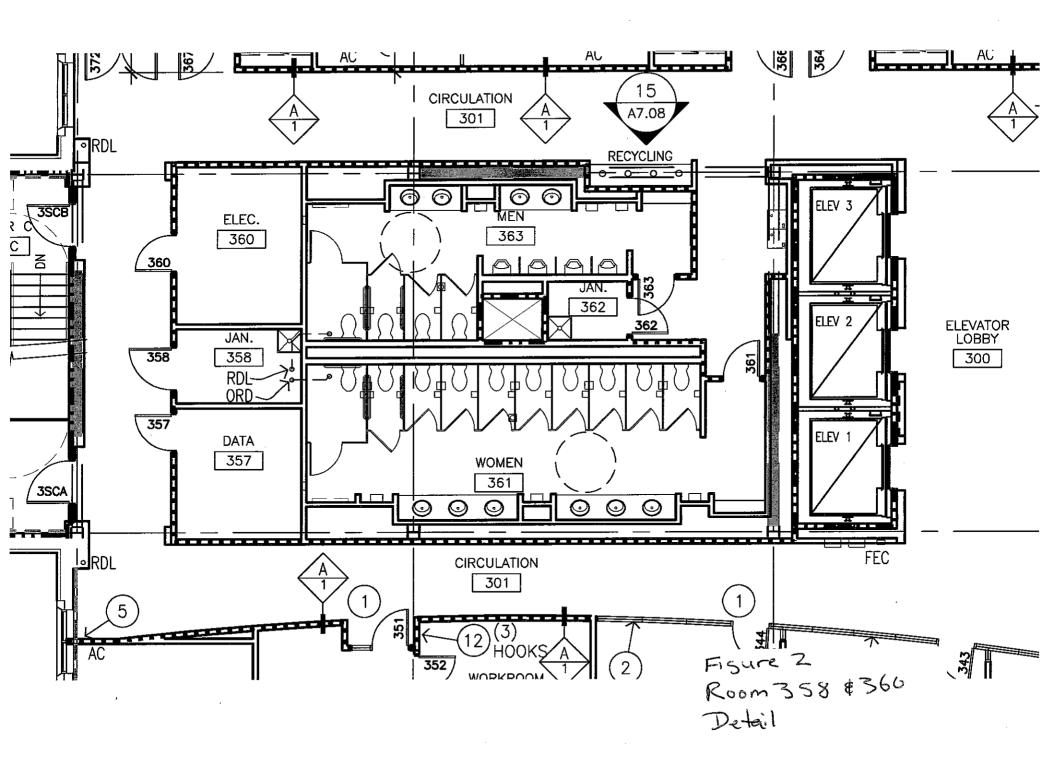
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UNIV. OF ST. THOMAS ANDERSON STUDENT CENTER

ST. PAUL, MN

LEVEL 3 FLOOR PLAN

FINAL DRAWINGS 12/16/11 A2.03





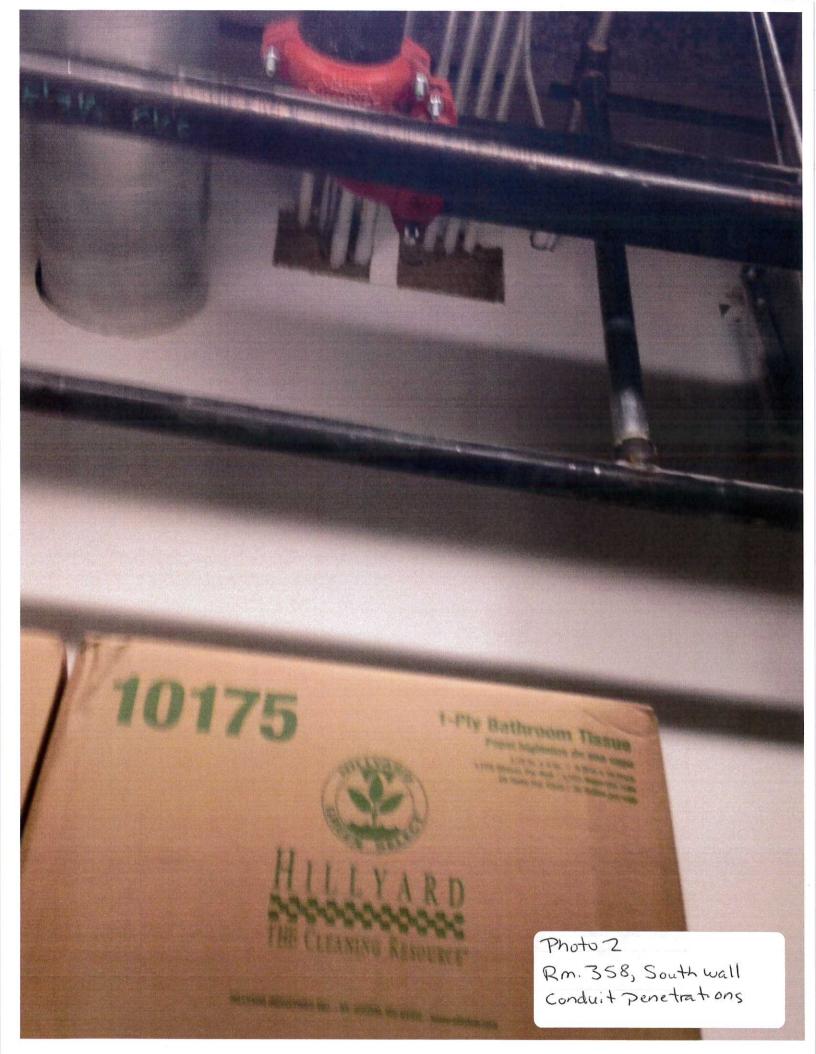


Photo 3
Room 358, North wall
Conduit Penetrations &
Connecting duct to 360

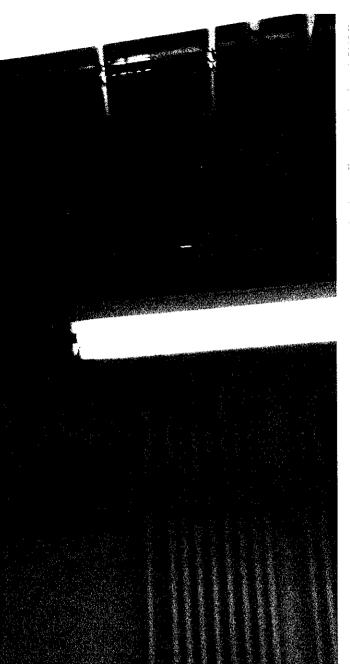
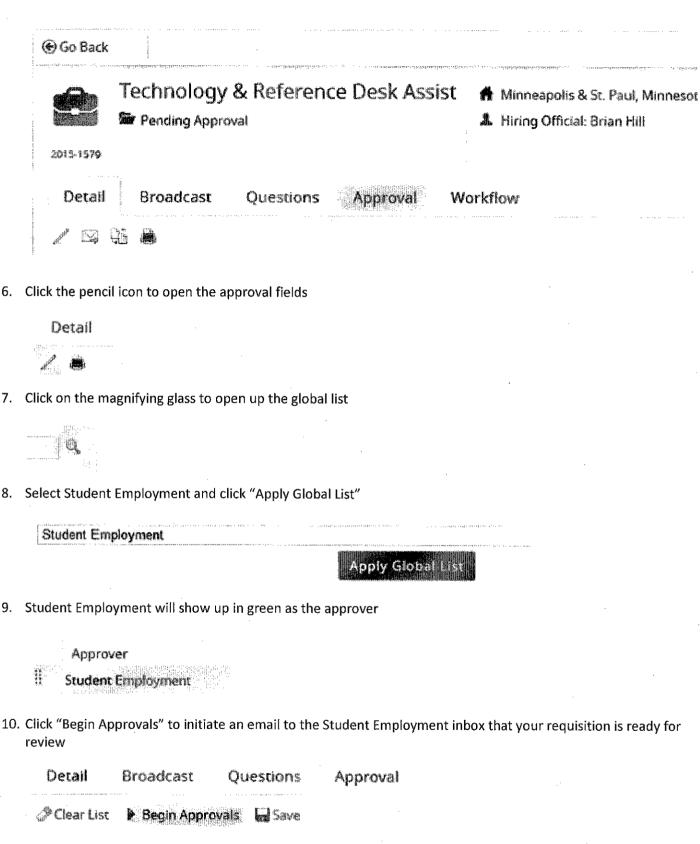


Photo 4
Room 360, South Wall
Conduit penetration &
srill for connecting duct.



11. Student Employment will review your requisition and notify you when the position has been posted.

Best, Dara

Brownlow, Colin S.

From:

Lundquist, Dara J.

Sent:

Thursday, May 07, 2015 1:34 PM

To:

Quale, Patricia C.

Cc:

Brownlow, Colin S.; Human Resources - Student Employment

Subject:

RE: Environmental Health and Safety Intern

Hi Pat,

I am sorry for the confusion. Once a job is approved by HR and posted, in order to post a new job with the same information, the old one has to be closed and a new one created/copied from the old req. The job you are referring to was originally posted on 4/13/2015, and then per an email from you on 4/16/2015, we removed it from the web after the five business day minimum. It was still marked as "open" which is why it is showing up in your queue. I am assuming the frustration you are encountering is that you are trying to reinitiate the status of an old job. We don't "repost" the same job.

I have closed the old job in TMS and copied the requisition, placing it in your pending queue. Please follow the directions below make any changes/edits needed and to initiate the approval request to student employment. As always, please feel free to give me a call if you have further questions.

In the future, if you would like to post a job, just let us know and we will copy any old requisitions and do the same – put it in your pending queue to edit.

To edit and resubmit the new Environmental Health & Safety Intern:

- 1. Log into TMS and enter your login information
- 2. You will find the pending requisition on the right hand side of the screen under "My Pending Jobs"; click on the title of the requisition
- 3. Select the pencil icon to open up the editable fields within the requisition



4. After you have made your changes, select the save button towards the top right of the screen

L Save

5. Click on the "Approval" tab

Dara Lundquist

HR Talent Management Specialist University of St. Thomas 2115 Summit Ave. AQU 217 St. Paul, MN 55105 651-962-6575 Lund0203@stthomas.edu

From: Quale, Patricia C.

Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2015 12:25 PM

To: Human Resources - Student Employment; Lundquist, Dara J.

Cc: Brownlow, Colin S.

Subject: Environmental Health and Safety Intern

I am trying to find out why this student position has not be posted on the student employment web page. I have submitted it three times and each time it gets hung up on "skipped front desk".

I have posted it the same way I post all of our other student positions and all of them are on the web page. Would you please help me with this so we can get this job posted.

Thank You,

Pat Quale

Office Coordinator Facilities Management pcquale@stthomas.edu University of St. Thomas 651-962-6535

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

From:

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

Sent:

Monday, May 11, 2015 1:46 PM

To:

'brow6404@stthomas.edu'

Subject:

2115 Summit Ave. - Application for Appeal

Mr. Brownlow -

This e-mail serves to notify you that we have received you Application for Appeal of a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 2115 Summit Avenue and that we have scheduled a legislative hearing for you to attend to address this matter. The hearing is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 330 City Hall, at 15 W. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55102.

Please feel free to contact the Appeals Line with any questions, at (651) 266-8585.

Thank you, Katie Foss 15 W. Kellogg Blvd. Room 330 St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 266-8560

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

From:

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

Sent:

Monday, May 11, 2015 1:56 PM

To:

'Brownlow, Colin S.'

Subject:

RE: 2115 Summit Ave. - Application for Appeal

Seeing that you will be out of the office until May 18th, we will reschedule the legislative hearing to address your Application of Appeal regarding 2115 Summit Avenue, to take place on Tuesday, May 26, 2015. The location will remain the same, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd., Room 330, St. Paul, MN 55102.

Thank you,

Katie Foss City Council Offices 15 W. Kellogg Blvd. Room 330 St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 266-8560

From: Brownlow, Colin S. [mailto:brow6404@stthomas.edu]

Sent: Monday, May 11, 2015 1:46 PM

To: Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

Subject: Automatic reply: 2115 Summit Ave. - Application for Appeal

I will be out of the office beginning Monday, May 11 and will not be returning until Monday, May 18. If this is an urgent matter, please call Pat Quale at 651-962-6535.

Thank you

Colin Brownlow