APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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for abatement orders only: ☐ **Email** *OR* ☐ **Fax**

HEARING DATE & TIME
(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)
Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Time 1:30 PM
Location of Hearing:
Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 2121 MINNEHAHA AVE. E. City: ST. PAUL State: MN Zip: _____

Appellant/Applicant: PATRICK LYNCH Email PATMLYNCH@COMCAST.NET

Phone Numbers: Business 651.438.3131 Residence 651.438.3950 Cell 651.323.7569

Signature: _____ Date: 06/17/15

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): _____

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: _____

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/Correction** 2ND FLR. CEILING HEIGHT - SEE ATTACHED ITEM #4
- ☐ **Code Enforcement Correction Notice** _____
- ☐ **Vacant Building Registration** _____
- **Other** (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.) SAME AS ABOVE

Revised 8/11/2014

June 17, 2015

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Re: 2121 Minnehaha Ave. E.

To whom this may concern,

I am hereby requesting an appeal hearing and/or variance to address Item No. 4 (upper level ceiling height) of the attached Fire Inspection Correction Notice dated 06/09/15. The upper level is only one room and is currently being used as a bedroom. The ceiling height on the upper level is 6'-6" (6" short of the required 7' for habitable areas).

I purchase this property in 2013 from the daughters of the original owner. Their father built the house in 1952. They told me the upper level was originally constructed as a bedroom and used by both daughters while growing up.

This upper level bedroom has two windows, plenty of closet space and is equipped with hardwired smoke/CO detectors.

Please let me know if any additional information is needed.

Thank you,

Patrick Lynch, Owner
1031 Zweber Lane
Hastings, MN 55033
651-323-7569
patmlynch@comcast.net

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
Fire Inspection Division
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CITY OF SAINT PAUL
Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

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June 9, 2015

PATRICK LYNCH
1031 ZWEBER LANE
HASTINGS MN 55033

FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 2121 MINNEHAHA AVE E Ref. #122459 Residential Class: B

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on June 9, 2015 for the renewal of your Fire Certificate of Occupancy. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected prior to the re-inspection date.

A re-inspection will be made on July 7, 2015 at 11am.

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 shall be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING TENANTS IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LIST OF DEFICIENCIES ARE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. EXTERIOR - FIRE PIT - MSFC 307.1 All fires on the ground must be a minimum of 25 feet from structures or contained in a grill or outdoor fireplace. Wind speeds must be under 10 mph, constantly attended, a means of extinguishment must be provided. Only natural firewood can be burned (no construction materials, brush or waste materials), and fire shall be extinguished if the smoke is deemed a nuisance. A citation will be issued for non-compliance.-Fire pits with covers must be 15ft from any structure.

2. EXTERIOR - GARAGE NUMBERS - SPLC 71.01 - The address posted is not visible from street or alley-Provide address numbers that contrast with the background, on the garage.

3. INTERIOR - BASEMENT - NEC 110-26 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 36 inches clearance in front of all electrical panels.-Keep items cleared for access to panel

4. INTERIOR - UPPER LEVEL - SPLC 34.13 (1) - Provide and maintain all habitable areas with a ceiling height of 7 feet over 1/2 the floor area.-At highest point of room, ceiling measure 6ft 6inches.

5. SPLC 34.11 (6), 34.34 (3) - Provide service of heating facility by a licensed contractor which must include a carbon monoxide test. Submit a completed copy of the Saint Paul Fire Marshal's Existing Fuel Burning Equipment Safety Test Report to this office.

6. SPLC 39.02(c) - Complete and sign the smoke detector affidavit and return it 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: Jonathan.Gaulke@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8994 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,

Jonathan Gaulke
Fire Inspector

Reference Number 122459

Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)

From: Foss, Katie (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2015 1:58 PM
To: 'patmlynch@comcast.net'
Subject: 2121 Minnehaha Ave. E. - Application for Appeal

Mr. Lynch –

This e-mail serves to notify you that we have received you Application for Appeal of a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 2121 Minnehaha Ave. E., and that we have scheduled a legislative hearing for you to attend to address this matter.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, July 7, 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
Legislative Hearings