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# **Code Compliance Report**

June 25, 2014

GLORIA & CRAIG TRACY 12440 FIONA AVE WHITE BEAR LAKE MN 55110 \* \* This Report must be Posted on the Job Site \* \*

Re: 390 Fry St File#: 13 238773 VB2

Dear Property Owner:

The following is the Code Compliance report you requested on May 21, 2014.

Please be advised that this report is accurate and correct as of the date June 25, 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 June 25, 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) RM2 zoning district.
- 2. This property was inspected as a Duplex.

\*\*This report is for duplex at the front of the property only, it does not include single family dwelling in the back of lot.\*\*

#### 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.
- Remove or encapsulate asbestos in an approved manner.
- Install 20 minute fire rated doors, with self closing device, between common areas and individual units. All penetrations required to have property intumescent device or caulk (per current building codes).
- Maintain one hour fire separation between dwelling units and between units and common areas.
- 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.
- Strap or support top of stair stringers for structural stability.

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- 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.
- 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.
- Re-level structure as much as is practical.
- 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.
- 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.
- Provide proper drainage around house to direct water away from foundation of garage.
- Install downspouts and a complete gutter system.
- Provide general rehabilitation of garage.
- Install address numbers visible from street and on the alley side of garage.
- Provide ground cover capable of controlling sediment and erosion.
- Review all applicable codes & policies when replacing windows including egress windows for sleeping rooms.
- Remove trees which are against foundation of home and garage.
- Grade must drain away from foundation of dwelling. Maintain 6 inch clearance between wood and soil.
- Properly replace driveway and install erosion control measures as required.
- Re-level front porch and replace footings as required.
- House full of belongings and trash at time of inspection and some fire damaged framing and walls.
- Install handrail and guardrail on basement stairs.
- Remove rear illegal add-ons to garage (not a legal living area) bring all up to code.
- Remove rear illegal porch and roof at rear of house (not to code or permitted)
- Replace cut off and fire damaged framing, call for inspection before covering.

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- \$60,000 minimum value Building permit.
- A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies.

## **ELECTRICAL** Inspector: Dave Blank Phone: 651-266-9035

- No power at time of inspection. Test all electrical outlets and ensure all luminaries (light fixtures) are working properly when power is restored.
- Provide a complete circuit directory at service panel indicating location and use of all circuits. Article 408.4, NEC
- Close openings in service panel/junction boxes with knockout seals, breaker blanks, proper cable clamps, and/or junction box covers. Article 110.12 (A), NEC
- Repair or replace all broken, painted over, corroded, missing or loose receptacles, luminaries (light fixtures), switches, covers and plates to current code. Article 406.4(D) & Article 410, NEC
- Check all receptacles for proper polarity (including 2-prong) and verify ground on 3-prong receptacles. Ensure all GFCI receptacles are functioning properly. Rewire and/or replace receptacles that are improperly wired or not functioning properly. Article 406.4(D), NEC
- Install hard-wired, battery backup, Carbon Monoxide smoke detector as specified in Chapter 58 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, and other smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors as required by the Minnesota State Building Code. SPLC 58, IRC
- Remove and/or rewire all illegal, improper or hazardous wiring to current NEC.
- Raise service mast to provide proper overhead conductor clearance.
- Rewire all wiring, outlets, and equipment damaged by water and fire.
- 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: Karl Abrahamson Phone: 651-266-8989

- MPC 4715.0340 subp 2. Air test required on all gas piping. All damaged plumbing, fixtures and piping to be replaced due to fire.
- MPC 4715.2850 (Air Test of Defective Plumbing) All plumbing to hold final air test.
- 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: Christi Dick Phone: 651-266-9045**

- Install approved level handle manual gas shutoff valve on boiler and remove unapproved valve
- Install approved automatic gas valve for boiler
- Clean and Orsat test boiler 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
- Install approved metal chimney liner
- Replace boiler flue venting to code

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- Connect boiler and water heater venting into chimney liner
- Provide adequate clearance from flue vent pipe on boiler to combustible materials or provide approved shielding according to code
- Vent clothes dryer to code
- Provide adequate combustion air and support duct to code
- Provide support for gas lines to code
- Plug, cap and/or remove all disconnected gas lines
- Conduct witnessed pressure test on all gas piping and check for leaks
- Support supply and return piping from heating system according to code
- Conduct witnessed pressure test on hot water heating system and check for leaks
- Install complete heating system to code
- Separate heating system is required for each dwelling unit.
- Mechanical gas and hydronic 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.
- There was considerable storage/clutter within property at the time of the inspection. Property is to meet appropriate Codes when complete.
- Interior of garage not available for inspection. Repair per applicable codes.

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