



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

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We need the following to process your appeal:

- \$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul) (if cash: receipt number 794062)
  - Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed
  - Attachments you may wish to include
  - This appeal form completed
  - Walk-In OR  Mail-In
- for abatement orders only:  Email OR  Fax

<p><b>HEARING DATE &amp; TIME</b> (provided by Legislative Hearing Office) Tuesday, <u>September 22, 2015</u></p> <p>Time <u>2:30 p.m</u></p> <p>Location of Hearing: Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse</p>
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## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 53 Elizabeth St. E City: Saint Paul State: MN Zip: 55107

Appellant/Applicant: Michael Zamarrigo Email: N/A

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cell 612-998-7241

Signature: [Signature] Date: 9-15-15

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Michael Zamarrigo

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
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- Vacant Building Registration
- Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)



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August 24, 2015

Michael Zamarripa  
53 Elizabeth St E  
Saint Paul MN 55107-2902

## VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION NOTICE

The premises at **53 ELIZABETH ST E** has been inspected and found to meet the legal definition of a Vacant Building as described in Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43. You are required by law to register this building with the Department of Safety and Inspections, Vacant Building Division, by filling out and returning the registration form provided with this letter. You are also required to pay the annual Vacant Building Registration Fee of **\$2,025.00**. The fee is due upon receipt of this letter and must be paid no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this letter, as required in Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43. If this building is vacant due to a fire, complete the enclosed registration form and return it to this office within 30 days.

**Please return the enclosed registration form along with your payment by September 24, 2015.**

### Do Not Mail Cash

If you wish to pay in person, you may do so from 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday at:

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS  
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

You may file an appeal to this fee or registration requirements by contacting the City Clerk's Office by calling (651)266-8688. Any appeal of this fee must be made within ten (10) days of the date of this notice.

**If the registration fee is not received in this office within 45 days of the date of this letter, the full amount owed will be assessed to, and collected with, the taxes for this property as permitted by Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43.**

The Code Enforcement Officer has notified the Building Inspection and Design Section that this property meets the legal definition of a registered vacant building and in accordance with Legislative Code Chapter 33, no permits (except demolition, wrecking and removal permits) will be issued until the requirements of all applicable ordinances are fulfilled.

All category 2 and category 3 vacant buildings must be winterized with gas and water services shut off or, alternately, an excess flow gas valve must be installed in the dwelling, within sixty (60) days of the date of this notice.

**WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL IS REQUIRED BEFORE A CATEGORY 2 OR CATEGORY 3 VACANT BUILDING CAN BE OCCUPIED OR SOLD.**

**Category 2:** Requirements include: 1. register/re-register the building, 2. pay outstanding fee(s), 3. obtain a code compliance report, 4. submit for approval a rehab cost estimate from a licensed contractor and a schedule for completion of all code compliance work, 5. submit proof of financial responsibility acceptable to the City, and 6. obtain Zoning approval of the proposed use.

**Category 3:** All requirements listed for Category 2 vacant buildings, AND obtain a **Certificate of Occupancy OR Certificate of Code Compliance** prior to the sale of the building.

If the use of this building meets the definition of a nonconforming use by the Zoning Code, then the use will lose its nonconforming status 365 days from the date the building was declared vacant.

**You must contact the Enforcement officer , Dennis Senty, at 651- 266- 1930 to find out what must be done before this building can be legally reoccupied.**

The Enforcement Officer may declare this building to constitute a Nuisance Building subject to demolition and issue an Order to Abate under authority of Legislative Code Chapter 45. In the event this building is declared a Nuisance Building, subject to demolition, the Enforcement Office will notify all owners and interested parties of the Order to Abate as provided in the Legislative Code Chapter 45.

If you have questions about this annual registration fee or other vacant building requirements, please contact the District Inspector, Dennis Senty, at 651- 266- 1930.

This registration form and fee is required by law. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Steve Magner  
Vacant Buildings Program Manager

Enclosures: Regulations Requirements Information  
Vacant Building Registration Form

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## **Vacant Building**

Reasons for appeal Summery

- Undue process for filing 53 Elizabeth under the Vacant building code
- Not sufficient time to apply corrective actions for code compliance
  - No communication of the problem with no electrical account open
  - Conduct of the process for listing residence as a vacant building not adhered to by city of Saint Paul website rules
  - Unreasonable and unrealistic goals for a home that has successfully paid taxes and followed city ordinances lawfully maintaining his residence for 8 years
- This appeal is for the chance to correct the initial problem of the property not sustaining an electrical connection, which given correct notification by the city, would have been accomplished