Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)

From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)

Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 12:57 PM **To:** Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)

Subject: 992 Hatch

Attachments: 992 Hatch Resolution.pdf

Marcia,

Attached is our resolution regarding the status of the vacant building located at 992 Hatch. Sorry for not including you earlier.

Thanks and have a great weekend!

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From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)

Sent: Friday, November 06, 2015 12:45 PM

To: 'Ross, Dale'

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul); Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul); Magner, Steve (CI-StPaul)

Subject: RE: correct address

Mr. Ross.

Please find the attached letter and Code Compliance report. Again, DSI is requiring that you disclose the attached Code Compliance report to any and all prospective buyers of 992 Hatch Avenue with the understanding that the Vacant Building status is changed from a Category II building to a Category I building. As mentioned before, this notification and report will be attached to the 992 Hatch Avenue property file.

Thank you,



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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 3:27 PM

To: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) **Subject:** RE: correct address

Ok.. do I have to meet with them again to have them consider removing that fee?

From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) [mailto:Travis.Bistodeau@ci.stpaul.mn.us]

Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 3:19 PM

To: Ross, Dale

Subject: EXTERNAL: RE: correct address

Ok, thanks.

You do understand that the determination of the vacant building fee remains under the purview of the Legislative Hearing Officer, correct? We are only changing the status of your building at this point. We are not determining whether or not you are required to pay the fee. I just want to be clear on this point.

Thank you,



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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 3:12 PM

To: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)

Subject: correct address

Thanks for your help Travis – really appreciate it – Yes that is my correct mailing address..

From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) [mailto:Travis.Bistodeau@ci.stpaul.mn.us]

Sent: Wednesday, November 04, 2015 3:08 PM

To: Ross, Dale

Subject: EXTERNAL: RE: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property -wrongfulmovedtoavacant2status

Dale.

Is your current mailing address as follows? 17879 Jericho Rd Wayzata MN 55391 I will mail/email the letter discussed shortly. I hope your sale moves forward without issue this week.

Thank you,



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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 4:48 PM

To: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul); Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul); #CI-StPaul_Ward5; Magner,

Steve (CI-StPaul); Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul)

Subject: RE: RE: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property -wrongfulmovedto avacant2status

Thanks Travis. - Yes this is agreeable Thank you again -

-dale

From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) [mailto:Travis.Bistodeau@ci.stpaul.mn.us]

Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 4:28 PM

To: Ross, Dale

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul); Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul); #CI-StPaul_Ward5; Magner,

Steve (CI-StPaul); Dornfeld, Matt (CI-StPaul)

Subject: EXTERNAL: RE: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongfulmovedto avacant2status

Mr. Ross,

Due to the fact that communication from our office was not clear when your property was transferred back to the Vacant Building program in March of 2015, we will make an exception in this case. However, there is current Code Compliance inspection report which outlines a number of deficiencies on your property. As part of this agreement, the city will require that you disclose the Code Compliance inspection report to any current or future buyer of this property. If this is agreeable, I will send you a letter (by regular mail and email) detailing this requirement. Be aware that this letter and the Code Compliance inspection report will remain in the property file for this property.

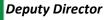
Should you agree to this, we will move the property to Category I Vacant Building status tomorrow (11/4/15).

To answer your earlier question, a Certificate of Occupancy inspection was no longer required if your intention was to leave the property vacant, which you stated in your 3/24/15 email to the inspector.

Does this seem like a reasonable solution?

Thank you,

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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 12:37 PM

To: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul); Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul); #CI-StPaul_Ward5; Erin Laschinger

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)

Subject: RE: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongfulmovedto a vacant2status

Importance: High

Has this house been removed from the Vacant 2 list yet?

My realtor would like to know. We have a buyer who has been patiently waiting to close on the house since the 30th of Oct.

If you have not remove the house from the vacant 2 list. Please provide me YOUR information on how you move the house to a vacant 2 status in the 90 day window I was granted. That 90 day window did not start until 6 of January.

Also, please provide me an answer to why when ask for the Fire Inspection I was told it was not needed if we are selling the house.

From: Ross, Dale

Sent: Monday, November 02, 2015 5:31 PM

To: 'Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)'; 'Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul)'; #CI-StPaul_Ward5

Cc: 'Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul)'; 'Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)'

Subject: RE: EXTERNAL: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful movedto a vacant2status

Importance: High

Here is the most pertinent email. I clearly ask the City of St Paul for the Fire Inspection. I am told it was no longer needed if we are selling the house. Therefore this house should have never been moved to Vacant 2 status.

The 90 Days --- The house was moved to Vacant 2 status IN the 90 day window in which the City granted me. This is wrong and a clear violation of your very own policies.

In other words – you told me I do not need the inspection and never granted the 90days and then wrongfully moved the house to a vacant 2 status.

This is not a legal action. You can't grant someone 90 days – Then move the house during that time frame. Furthermore, I ask for the inspection and I was told it was not needed.

Please remove the house from the vacant 2 status immediately – based upon the above facts . Our buyer is patiently waiting.

-dale

From: Ross, Dale

Sent: Monday, November 02, 2015 12:46 PM

To: 'Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)'; 'Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul)' **Cc:** Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)

Subject: RE: EXTERNAL: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful movedto a vacant2status

Importance: High

Travis,

The fence was previously approved on the property by the City of St Paul Please check your records. The only reason the fence needed to be remove was for a rental property by the fire inspection. And it did not have to be removed if we rented the house at 1 bedroom house. However, we told the city we would not remove the fence as we are selling it.

<u>Secondly, again I ask to have the FO Inspection and was told it was needed if we are selling the house. Therefore the house should have never been moved to vacant 2 states.</u>

In regards to Reid Soley - I have called Reid multiple times, left voice mails, and he has not once returned one of my many phone calls. Although email he did respond to. I have cc'd him on the email.

We had a closing date on the 30th of October. We have extended it another week.

Let me be clear – you wrongfully moved the house to a Vacant 2 status less than 90 days. The above stated reasons for moving the house are wrong. The house needs to be moved from that status immediately.

I am absolutely perplexed at the number of incorrect things that have occurred.

-dale

From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) [mailto:Travis.Bistodeau@ci.stpaul.mn.us]

Sent: Monday, November 02, 2015 12:02 PM

To: Ross, Dale

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)

Subject: EXTERNAL: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful movedto a vacant2status

Dale,

At the time the Fire Certificate of Occupancy was revoked for 992 Hatch (12/22/14), this vacant property had multiple housing and building code deficiencies and therefore qualified as a Category II Vacant Building. You appealed the decision to move this property into Vacant Building status and the Legislative Hearing Officer granted a 90 day extension to allow you to correct <u>all</u> deficiencies in order to allow the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) to reinstate the Certificate of Occupancy. The fence blocking an egress window was never corrected, and the property was transferred to Vacant Building program with a category II status on 3/24/15, where it remains today.

I understand that the Category II status of this property makes it more difficult to sell. However, we will do our best to help you navigate the sale should you find an interested buyer. Reid Soley (who you've contacted previously) has been given explicit instructions to help accommodate the sale wherever possible. Reid's number is 651-266-9120. I recommend you call him, rather than email, to make sure all of your questions are adequately addressed.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. Thank you,

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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2015 2:20 PM

To: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul)

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)

Subject: RE: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful movedto a vacant 2status

Thanks Travis. Appreciate the email and I just cleaned up my voice mail. - dale

DALE ROSS

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From: Bistodeau, Travis (CI-StPaul) [mailto:Travis.Bistodeau@ci.stpaul.mn.us]

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2015 2:18 PM

To: Ross, Dale

Cc: Cervantes, Ricardo (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul)

Subject: EXTERNAL: RE: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful moved to a vacant 2status

Mr. Ross,

I attempted to call the cell phone number listed below, but your voice mailbox is full.

We are carefully reviewing your case and will have a complete response next week. I'm very sorry to delay a potential sale of your property, but a thorough review of the file is needed at this time. I will be in touch soon.

Thank you,

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From: Ross, Dale [mailto:dross@websense.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 9:17 AM

To: Bailey, Dana (CI-StPaul); Beckmann, Kristin (CI-StPaul); #CI-StPaul_Ward3; #CI-StPaul_Ward4; Bauer, Kelly (CI-StPaul)

StPaul)

Subject: 992 Hatch - Sale of the Property - wrongful moved to a vacant 2 status

Importance: High

Hi Dana and Kristin,

I have run into a very significant issue with a pending sale of house that I inherited when my brother passed away from Pancreatic Cancer a few years ago.

The issue in question is the house was wrongfully moved to a vacant 2 building status and Marcia Moermond has denied the request to move back to its original state.

Here is the link to the property

http://www.edinarealty.com/homes-for-sale/992-Hatch-Avenue-St-Paul-MN-55103-147108137

Timeline of Events -

I will provide you a very brief background and explain the email attachments.

Nov 2012 – My brother shockingly died from Pancreatic Cancer at age of 49 years old

Nov 2012 – March 2013 – Clean out and informal probate process

March 2013 – April 2013 – Briefly tried to sell the property

May 2013 - May 2014 - Home was rented through renterswarehouse. Great renter

May $2014 - \text{Oct } 2014 - 2^{ND}$ Renter was evicted due to vacate order for the City. Significant Damage was caused to the property – total damage in repairs roughly 3000.

2015

Jan 6th – Met with Legislated hearing on the house. 90 days to complete repairs in order to rent the house

March 24 - Complete ALL Repairs and Request Inspection - See attached Email

March 24 - Told Inspection was not necessary if SELLING the house - See attached email from the City

April 12 - House Listed For Sale on the MLS

September – Agree upon the sale of the house and a closing date of 30 Oct 2015

September – October – Countless email to someone named Reid Soley -because the buyer discover the house is a vacant 2 building –

October 20th - Meet with the legislative hearing to have the house removed from the vacant 2 property TOLD SPECIFICALLY During the hearing - THE HOUSE WAS MOVED TO A VACANT 2 BEFORE THE 90 days and before I had ask for the inspection to be completed.

Oct 27th – See attached email – Request Denied for reasons that do not make any sense – See attached email thread

In addition I paid 447\$ dollars to have a code compliance inspection completed on the house. That is not even close to the Truth and Lending Inspection that was completed. The Code Compliance from the city will require well over \$20,000 – \$40,000 in code repairs. Gutters, Major Landscaping, etc... are listed in the report. This inspection was not even necessary as the house should have never moved to a Vacant 2 status. IN addition, the Truth in Sale provides a more accurate assessment of the property.

In Summary

This house was wrongfully moved to a Vacant 2 building status. I complied with every request from the City. I asked for the Fire Occupancy Inspection and the email from the City – Stated I did not need this test because the house was for sale.

We have a closing date on the property on 30 October. The person that is buying the house has cancelled their lease at the end of the month because they were moving into the house. Now they have no other place to go. Because the City of St Paul – wrongfully moved the house to Vacant 2 status and in order for the buy to move in must comply with code compliance report before moving in.

I am absolutely perplexed because my brother lived in the house for years and essentially 2 renters in 2 years time. And Now the Government is preventing a sale of the property.

We are requesting the City of St Paul – immediately remove the house from the Vacant 2 status in order for the buyer to own the property and have a place to live. The truth and lending report has already been provided to the buyer.

Again – This house should have NEVER been moved to a vacant 2 status as we did everything the City ask for and was TOLD no more inspection were necessary if we are selling the house.

Can someone please have this issue resolved? I have been unable to get timely responses and generally delayed email or days in return from Marcia and the team. The only person who has been extremely helpful is Mai Vang – fantastic employee – give her a raise -

I have attached all the documentation.

Again, this wrongful move to a vacant 2 status is preventing a sale of property. Please have this resolved today or tomorrow in order to the buy – to purchase and move upon the sale of the property.

Thanks Dale

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