



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

## Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

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We need the following to process your appeal:

CITY CLERK

- ☒ \$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul)  
(if cash: receipt number \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☒ 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

### HEARING DATE & TIME

(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

Time 2:30 p.m.

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1551 Ruth St N. City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Appellant/Applicant: Robert D. Slings Email: robertslings@yahoo.com

Phone Numbers: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Cell 651-238-2652

Signature: Robert D. Slings Date: June 14, 2016

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

The house is in the process of being renovated.  
A life changing event has slowed the process  
making it difficult to stay on schedule.

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS

Steve Magner, Manager of Code Enforcement



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Christopher B. Coleman, Mayor

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Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

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June 06, 2016

Robert Slings  
1815 Haines St  
Saint Paul MN 55112-3304

VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION RENEWAL NOTICE

Dear Sir or Madam:

As the owner or responsible person for the property located at

1551 RUTH ST N

you are required by law to register this building with the Department of Safety and Inspections on the form provided with this letter and to pay the annual Vacant Building registration fee of \$2,085.00. The purpose of this fee is to provide partial reimbursement to the City for administrative costs. This fee is due annually as required in Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43.

The renewal due date for this building is **July 06, 2016**. The annual registration fee and the enclosed registration form for this building is due on the renewal date. If you pay by mail, please fill in the enclosed registration form and return it with your payment.

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.

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. 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

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 , Rich Singerhouse, at 651- 266- 1945 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, Rich Singerhouse, at 651- 266- 1945.**

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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