



# APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

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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 820048)
  - ☒ 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, Feb. 13, 2018

Time 11:00 a.m.

Location of Hearing:

Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

## Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1613 Conday City: S. Paul State: MA Zip: 55106

Appellant/Applicant: BRET Johnson Email: bret\_johnson357@yahoo.com

Phone Numbers: Business 651-254-4178 Residence 651-200-1624 Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: B Date: 01.30.18

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.)

NOT OWNER'S DEBTS

(see attached e-mail from appellant.)

## Johnson, Bret A

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**From:** Johnson, Bret A  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 9:06 AM  
**To:** 'sareen.earm@ci.stpaul.mn.us'  
**Subject:** FW: Photos  
**Attachments:** 20180128\_111524.jpg; 20180128\_111321.jpg

Sareen:

Attached are the photos of the state originally left for the debris that was incorrectly assigned to my responsibility. As you see, it is 1619 that the debris sits at the end of the drive. The photo on the letter of abatement was deceptive, taken at an angle, of the results of the city's snow plowing from last week that aggressively plowed the boulevard over the curb strewing debris west down the boulevard.

Our conversation was futile—the preventive would have been the due diligence of finding out who and what in this event rather than assuming and sending letters. If, as you say, a phone call on my part would have resulted in the city handling the original issue, then the logical conclusion is that we should be reimbursed for the costs of removing what was not ours in the first place.

To this end, I would like your supervisor's contact information to continue to pursue having resolved and paid for what was not looked into and arbitrarily assigned to my responsibility. As a paying resident of the city, the least and fair resolution is to credit my taxes with the amount I have now covered for the city. The abatement order very summarily states that this would have become an assessment; I am now requesting that this become a credit to my property taxes.

And, finally, as you suggested, I will be contacting our council member to suggest changes to a flawed system.

Bret Johnson  
1613 Conway Street  
St. Paul, MN 55106  
651.600.1624

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**From:** bret\_johnson357 [mailto:bret\_johnson357@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 8:40 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Bret A <Bret.A.Johnson@HealthPartners.Com>  
**Subject:** Photos

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
CODE ENFORCEMENT  
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220  
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

January 25, 2018

18 - 022653

## SUMMARY ABATEMENT ORDER

OCCUPANT  
1613 CONWAY ST  
ST PAUL MN 55106- 5925

*Yog hais tias koj hais tsis to taub tsab ntawv no, hu rau tus txhais lus ntawm (651) 266- 8989. Nws yog pab dawb zwb. Si necessita un traductor, por favor llamanos al (651)266- 8989. No costo.*

As owner or person(s) responsible for 1613 CONWAY ST : please eliminate the nuisance conditions which are in violation of Chapter 45 of Saint Paul Legislative Code.

1 Remove improperly stored or accumulated refuse including: garbage, rubbish, loose and scattered litter, discarded furniture, appliances, vehicle parts, scrap wood and metal, recycling materials, household items, building materials or rubble, tires, brush, etc., from yard areas.  
MATTRESSES, COUCH, CABINET, AND OTHER FURNITURE ON BOULEVARD. Comply before February 1, 2018

**Comply before:** February 01, 2018

**Questions:** Call your Inspector Sareen Earm

**Phone Number:** 651- 266- 1930

**Thank you - we appreciate your cooperation!**

*Photo may not show all areas which need to be abated*

If you do not correct the nuisance or file an appeal before **February 01, 2018**, the City will correct the nuisance and charge all cost, including boarding costs, against the property as a special assesment to be collected in the same way as property taxes. Charges: If the City corrects the nuisance, the charges will include the cost of correction, inspection, travel time, equipment, etc. The rate will be approximately \$260 per hour plus expenses for abatement.

**APPEALS:** You may appeal this order and obtain a hearing before the Legislative Hearing Officer by completing an appeal application before the deadline noted above or seven (7) days after the date mailed, whichever comes first. No appeals may be filed after that date. You may obtain an appeal application from the City Clerk's Office, Room 310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55102. (651) 266- 8688. You must submit a copy of this Order with your appeal application.

**WARNING:** If violations are not corrected by the compliance date, the city's costs will be assessed to the property taxes of the related property. If additional new violations are discovered within the next 12 months, additional charge may apply.



Also send to:

Bret Johnson 1613 Conway St Saint Paul MN 55106- 5925

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