

NYE email for Scott

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To: Administrative Staff <staff@ferdlaw.com>;

To the City of Saint Paul City Council Members,

I'm writing on behalf of Scott Kramer.

I've been friends with Scott for a number of years. We met in the music and dance community in Minneapolis. Scott has attended several events in the past we've organized or attended together. Last September he and another good friend of mine, Garrison Grouse, another awesome DJ that we both know very well teamed up to plan a memorable evening! Garrison has played for Scott's previous NYE events, and we came up with the idea of adding myself to collaborate last year and help "glam up" the event, which I regret as it seems to have caused a lot of trouble for the property and accompanying license.

Scott was involved in all the planning and either made or approved all the key decisions including what was written in the invitation to our Facebook friends. There was no paid public advertising associated with this event.

Since we were providing a lot of sound equipment, additional DJs, extensive artistic theme decorations and gourmet vegan food and craft cocktails we decided we needed to recoup our substantial costs and also limit attendance. To manage these costs, we decided to have an entry donation associated with the event.

This was never intended to be a money making endeavor.

And no one rented the house for the purpose of hosting this party. It was Scott's annual party and he was helping to highlight out music and other talents and fun artist friends and their contributions. I sincerely hope he can continue operating his bed and breakfast business which was never associated with this event. I sincerely hope an further suspensions can be avoided and I can assure you that everyone involved will by extremely cautious about this sort of thing in the future.

Thanks,
Grant Mayland
aka "Dark Energy Minneapolis"