CITY OF SAINT PAUL
Civil Division
Mayor Melvin Carter

October 15, 2018

## NOTICE OF COUNCIL HEARING

Mohammad Bagher Abedi, Owner<br>Import Auto Enterprises, Inc.<br>830 Robert Street South<br>St. Paul, MN 55107-3232

RE: Second-Hand Dealer-Motor Vehicle license held by Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South in Saint Paul
License ID \#19970000049

## Dear Licensee:

Please take notice that this matter has been set on the Public Hearing Agenda for a City Council meeting on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, Third Floor, Saint Paul City Hall and Ramsey County Courthouse, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, St. Paul, MN 55102.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter you sent dated September 28, 2018, indicating that you were not contesting the facts related to the incident, but were requesting the opportunity to address the Council regarding the penalty, the resolution and any supporting documents. This information will be presented to City Council for their consideration.

This is an uncontested matter related to an inspection of the licensed premises on June 21, 2018 and a reinspection on June 28, 2018, where an inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) observed and documented with photographs two (2) license condition violations.

The licensing office will recommend a $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty.
Sincerely,


Therese Skarda
Assistant City Attorney
Cc: Mohammad Bagher Abedi, 4609-90 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ West Street, Bloomington, MN 55437-1816
Bahieh Hartshorn, Community Organizer, West Side Community Organization, Baker Center 209 Page Street West, St. Paul, MN 55107

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## COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the $15^{\text {th }}$ day of October, she served the attached NOTICE OF COUNCIL HEARING and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Mohammad Bagher Abedi, Owner
Import Auto Enterprises, Inc.
830 Robert Street South
St. Paul, MN 55107-3232

Mohammad Bagher Abed
4609-90 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ West Street
Bloomington, MN 55437-1816

Bahieh Hartshorn, Community Organizer
West Side Community Organization
Baker Center
209 Page Street West
St. Paul, MN 55107
(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.


Subscribed and sworn to before me this $15^{\mathrm{TH}}$ day of October 2018


Notary Public


# Licensee Name: Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. 

Address: $\quad 830$ Robert Street South St. Paul, MN 55107-3232

Council Date: Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Violation: During an inspection of the licensed premises on June 21, 2018 and a re-inspection on June 28, 2018, an inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) observed and documented with photographs two (2) license condition violations.

Recommendation of Assistant City Attorney on behalf of client, Department of Safety and Inspections:
$\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty
Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Inspection Report with photographs dated $\mathbf{6 / 2 1 / 2 0 1 8}$ ( 11 pages)
3. Inspection Report with photographs dated $6 / 28 / 2018$ (11 pages)
4. Notice of Violation with Affidavit of Service dated 9/25/2018 (4 pages)
5. Letter from licensee requesting a public hearing dated $9 / 28 / 2018$ (2 pages)
6. License Group Comments Text dated $8 / 30 / 2018$ (4 pages)
7. License Group Conditions Text dated 8/30/2018 (1 page)
8. Council File \#99-989 adopted by City Council 10/13/1999 and signed by the Mayor on 10/21/1999
9. Site Plan for 830 Robert Street South dated 2/03/2000 (1 page)
10. STAMP - Ownership/Zoning Information (1 page)
11. Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310.05 (m)

WHEREAS, the Second-Hand Dealer-Motor Vehicle license held by Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. (License ID\# 19970000049) for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South was the subject of a Notice of Violation dated September 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Notice stated that during an inspection of the licensed premises on June 21, 2018 and a re-inspection on June 28, 2018, an inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) observed and documented with photographs two (2) license condition violations; and

WHEREAS, this was first violation so pursuant to Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310.05 (m) (1), the licensing office recommended a $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty; and

WHEREAS, the licensee responded to the Notice of Violation to request a public hearing which was held on November 7, 2018; now therefore be it;

RESOLVED, Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. (License ID\# 19970000049) for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South is hereby ordered to pay a matrix penalty of $\$ 500.00$ for the two (2) license condition violations observed and documented by a DSI Inspector during an inspection of the licensed premises on June 21, 2018 and June 28, 2018.

Payment of such penalty shall be made within thirty (30) days of the date of the adoption of this resolution.
Inspection Report
Date: 06/21/2018
Inspector: David Eide
License Address: 830 Robert St S
Licensee/Violator: Import Auto Enterprises Inc
License Number: 19970000049
Violation: License Conditions $1+2$
License Condition \#1: The number of vehicles on the lot for sale shall not exceed (20) twenty. Thereshall be (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement ofsales display area and off-street parking shall be as shown on site plan on file with LIEP.
At the time of the visit, thirty-three (33) vehicles were on the lot. The license allows a maximum oftwenty-eight (28) vehicles. Thus, the licensee had five (5) vehicles over the limit on the premises.Vehicles were parked not according to the site plan.

License Condition \#2: A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan.

Eight (8) vehicles were parked in the drive lane at the time of the inspection. The drive lane was completely obstructed which did not allow thru vehicle access on the site.

Visited the site Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 1:00PM. Witnessed violations of multiple license conditions attached to the license and gave verbal warning that we would be back to re-check the property to ensure that they come back into compliance.



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Condition \#2: A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan. Drive lane was completely blocked.





## Inspection Report

| Date: | $06 / 28 / 2018$ |
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| Inspector: | David Eide |
| License Address: | 830 Robert St S |
| Licensee/Violator: | Import Auto Enterprises Inc |
| License Number: | 19970000049 |
| Violation: | License Conditions $1+2$ |

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License Condition \#1: The number of vehicles on the lot for sale shall not exceed (20) twenty. There shall be (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement of sales display area and off-street parking shall be as shown on site plan on file with DSI.

At the time of the visit, vehicles were parked in areas that are not approved for parking according to the site plan. A silver SUV was parked in the rear of the building in an area not approved for parking. Two vehicles were parked in the drive lane. Eleven (11) vehicles were parked in the font display area, which is only approved for ten (10).

License Condition \#2: A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan.

Two (2) vehicles were parked in the drive lane at the time of the inspection. The drive lane was completely obstructed which did not allow thru vehicle access on the site.

Visited the site Thursday, June 28, 2018 at 8:30PM to follow-up on an inspection that was made the previous Thursday. Witnessed violations of multiple license conditions attached to the license-this was after giving the licensee one week to comply with the license conditions.


 (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement of sales




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Condition \#2: A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan.
Eleven (11) vehicles were parked along Robert Street South. This area is only approved for ten (10).







06/28/2018


CITY OF SAINT PAUL
Mayor Melvin Carter

September 25, 2018

## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Mohammad Bagher Abedi, Owner
Import Auto Enterprises, Inc.
830 Robert Street South
St. Paul, MN 55107-3232
RE: Second-Hand Dealer - Motor Vehicle license held by Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South in Saint Paul License ID \#19970000049

Dear Licensee:
The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) will recommend adverse action against the SecondHand Dealer - Motor Vehicle license held by Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. for the premises located at 830 Robert Street South in Saint Paul. The basis for this recommendation is as follows:

On June 21, 2018, an Inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections conducted an inspection of the licensed premises and documented the following two (2) license condition violations were observed and documented with photographs:

1. Thirty-three (33) vehicles were on the lot and vehicles were parked in violation of the approved site plan and license condition \#1: "The number of vehicles on the lot for sale shall not exceed (20) twenty. There shall be (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement of sales display area and off-street parking shall be as shown on the site plan on file with DSI."
2. Eight (8) vehicles were parked in the drive lane which completely obstructed the drive lane and did not allow thru vehicle access on the site in violation license condition \#2: "A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan."

You were given a verbal warning and told a re-inspection would take place within a week to confirm you have complied with your license conditions.

[^1]On June 28, 2018, an Inspector from the Department of Safety and Inspections returned for a re-inspection of the licensed premises. During the re-inspection, the following two (2) repeat license conditions violations were observed and documented with photographs:

1. Vehicles were parked in areas that are not approved for parking according to the approved DSI site plan: 1) A silver SUV was parked in the rear of the building in an area not approved for parking and 2) eleven (11) vehicles were parked in the front display area along Robert Street which is only approved for ten (10) vehicles in violation of license condition \#1: "The number of vehicles on the lot for sale shall not exceed (20) twenty. There shall be (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement of sales display area and off-street parking shall be as shown on the site plan on file with DSI."
2. A Jaguar sedan and a Mercury Sedan were parked in the drive lane which completely obstructed the drive lane and did not allow thru vehicle access on the site in violation license condition \#2: "A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan."

Per Saint Paul Legislative Code $\S 310.05(\mathrm{~m})(1)$, the licensing office will recommend a $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty.

You have four (4) options to proceed:

1. If you do not contest the imposition of the proposed adverse action, you may do nothing. If I have not heard from you by Friday, October 5, 2018, I will presume that you have chosen not to contest the proposed adverse action and the matter will be placed on the October 24, 2018 City Council Agenda for approval of the proposed remedy.
2. You can pay the $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty. If this is your choice, you should send the payment directly to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 by Friday, October 5, 2018. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Payment of the $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty will be considered a waiver of the hearing to which you are entitled.
3. If you wish to admit the facts but you contest the $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. You will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting to the facts and requesting a public hearing by Friday, October 5, 2018. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council to determine whether to impose the $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
4. If you dispute the facts outlined above you may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). You will need to send me a letter disputing the facts and requesting an administrative hearing no later than Friday, October 5, 2018. At that hearing both you and the City will appear and present witnesses, evidence and cross-examine each other's witnesses. After receipt of the ALJ's report (usually within 30 days), a public hearing will need to be scheduled. At that time, the City Council will decide whether to adopt, modify or reject the ALJ's report and recommendation.
[^2]Import Auto Enterprises, Inc.
September 25, 2018
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Please note: If you choose an administrative hearing, the Department of Safety and Inspections reserves the right to request that City Council impose the costs of the administrative hearing per Saint Paul Legislative Code § 310.05 (k).

If you have not contacted me by Friday, October 5, 2018, I will assume that you do not contest the imposition of the $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty. In that case, the matter will be placed on the October 24, 2018 City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these four (4) options, please contact Julie Kraus, my Legal Assistant at (651) 266-8776.

Sincerely,


Therese Skarda
Assistant Saint Paul City Attorney
License No: 024989

# cc: Mohammad Abedi, 4609-90 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ West Street, Bloomington, MN 55437-1816 <br> Bahieh Hartshorn, Community Organizer, West Side Community Organization Baker Center, 209 Page Street West, St. Paul, MN 55107 

## AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

## COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the $25^{\mathrm{TH}}$ day of September, she served the attached NOTICE OF VIOLATION and a correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Mohammad Bagher Abedi, Owner Import Auto Enterprises, Inc. 830 Robert Street South
St. Paul, MN 55107-3232

Mohammad Abedi
4609-90 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ West Street
Bloomington, MN 55437-1816

Bahieh Hartshorn, Community Organizer
West Side Community Organization
Baker Center
209 Page Street West
St. Paul, MN 55107
(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.


Subscribed and sworn to before me this $25^{\text {TH }}$ day of September 2018


Notary Public


September 28, 2018
IMPORT AUTO ENTERPRISES 830 Robert St 5 UnIt 2 Saint Paul, MN 55107

City of St. Paul
Atto: Civil Division
400 City Hall and Court House 15 West Kellogg Boulevand St. Paul, MN 55102

To whom it may concern,
This letter is in response to the letter dated September 28, 2018 regarding the previous inspections done by the Department of Safety and Inspections unit on June 21, 2018 and June 28, 2018.

## Responses to inspection on June 21, 2018;


#### Abstract

1. The inspector noted there were 33 vehicles parked on our lot. It is not typical for us to exceed the maximum amount of vehicles permitted under our license, but there are times when there are unforseen circumstances. Because we are two separate entities sharing the same space, throughout the business day, we have many customers inquiring about purchasing vehicles and others customers that stop by to simply make payments or inquire about repairs for previously purchased vehicles. These customers may park in our lot, but only on a short term basis. We do our best to assure we stay in compliance with the requirements of our license and when we become aware of any issues, we instruct customers to move their vehicles as soon as possible.


2. The inspector noted there were eight vehicles obstructing the drive lane of the parking lot.. Due to the size of the parking lot, I'm not sure if this information is noted correctly because our drive lane doesn't have the capacity for eight vehicles. If there were any vehicles in our drive lane it would be due to customers improperly parking. As stated above, throughout the business day, we have many customers inquiring about purchasing vehicles and others that stop by to make payments or inquire about repairs for previously purchased vehicles and may park in our lot, but only on a short term basis. Again, we do our best to assure we stay in compliance with the requirements of our license and when we become aware of any issues, we instruct customer to move their vehicles as soon as possible.
3. The inspector noted there were a bumper and tires left on the exterior of our facility. The bumper and tires were improperly disposed onto the property by a unknown person. I can provide receipts from our nearby tire shop, I used to properly dispose of tires and other vehic

> parts. We are aware thit is wholation of orr license and have made many attempts to prevent ofhers from dumping tirew, gertopec, cat parizand etc onto our property without our consent or kiowicelze. Unfortumbely, swe haven't been able find a solution to prohibit this, but we assure you we do ourt best to address the iswe whithin a thmely manner once we become awnre.
> 4. The inspoctar owsed the phitrted lines were misaing from the customer/omployec's parking arca. We hired a proferxional company to replece the linea of tha designote customer/employee parking spaces. This iswe has becti resolved.

Responke to ro－knopection on Junc 2R， 2018
1．The inspector noted then was a silver suv parked in the rear of the bullding that wasit in accordance with the approved site plan and 11 vehicles were parked in the front display area along Robert Street which is only approved for 10 vehicles．A customer dropped the silver suv ofr stating they wanted the vehicle repaired，but declded the repairs were too expensive and never returned to pick up the vehicle．The vehiclo was evontually impounded．The additional ${ }^{\text {．}}$ wehicle parked in the displayed has also been removed．It was not a vehicle for sale．It was a customers vohicle recently repaired．．The customer was suppose to pick the vehicle up earlier that day but called stating she didn＇t have a ride and would pick the vehicle up the following day．I didn＇t want to put the vehicle at risk and kept it on the lot until the customer returned．

2．The inspector noted there were two vehicles obstructing the drive lane．As stated above， throughout the business day，we have many customers inquiring about purchasing vehicles and others that stop by to make payments or inquire about repairs for previously purchased vehicles and may park in our lot，but only on a short term basis．Again，we do our best to assure we stay in compliance with the requirements of our license and when we become aware of any issues，we instruct customers to move their vehicles as soon as possible．

3．．The inspector noted the bumper was still on the property when he came back to reinspect，the bumper was improperly disposed onto the property by a unknown person．The bumper has since been removed shortly thereafter and properly disposed．

In the letter you provide four options on how I can proceed；I would like to proceed with option three．I would like a public hearing to contest the $\$ 500.00$ matix penalty．I truly believe some of the issues the inspector noted is incorrect and not feasible amd the fine of $\$ 500.00$ is excessive． As stated above，we do our best to assure we stay in compliance with our license and respond to any unforseen issues within a timely manner and believe this should be taken in consideration．

## Sincerely，

Licensee: IMPORT AUTO ENTERPRISES INC

DBA: IMPORT AUTO ENTERPRISES INC

License \#: 19970000049

07/05/2018 Sent to CAO for adverse action- $\$ 500.00$ matrix penalty requested for first violation in 12 months. DE
06/28/2018 Reinspection: vehicles not parked according to site plan and drive lane blocked. To send to CAO. DE
$06 / 21 / 2018$ Inspected site due to complaint. Found 33 vehicles on lot and vehicles not parked according to site plan and in drive lane. Gave verbal warning. DE
$12 / 11 / 2014$ Inspected site based on complaint of veh. parked on street nearby possibly associated with business. Observed 25 total cars on lot (18 for-sale +7 cust./employee). One veh. parked on Winona St which an employee (Sandra Bonilla) stated belonged to them and they oved onto property while I was present. Provided copy of lic. cond, and site plan to Ms. Bonilla. Pictures taken. JWF
$9 / 24 / 1429$ cars on lot numerous cars parked on Robert and Winona Watch customers park on both streets and walk to lot. Police incident at the time of inspection.KS
8/7/14 cars parked on street, costomer waiting to pay his car payment said the jag was his,tow truck parked on street pictures taken KS
$12 / 11 / 201325$ veh. parked on lot, one veh. not parked according to site plan (was a maneuvering lane of $9^{\prime}$ between cars), no veh. parked on street surrounding property. Advised veh. not parked according to plan must be moved, they stated would be corrected by next day because customer parked it here and took keys. Took pictures. JWF
9/5/13 19 cars on lot, 4 on street came back 30 min . later and one of the cars that was on the street was now in the lot. KS
2/9/10 16 cars on the lot. One veh at the back S.E was a repo and was waiting for title. Will be gone or out for display before 10 days, Took pict. KS 01/10/2007 In compliance with lic. conditions. JWF
$12 / 22 / 2006$ Orders issued regarding inspections conducted on 10/17/2006, 10/23/2006, and 12/04/2006. See AMANDA complaint \#06-249439. JWF
2/5/06 Checked on complaint concerning too many vehs on lot-counted 19-no cause for complaint RWJ
11/29/1999 Licensee paid $\$ 500.00$ fine - final payment. KS/CAM
11/04/1999 20 cars on the lot.KS
10/29/1999 Licensee paid $\$ 500$ fine. Second $\$ 500$ due 11/30/1999. CAR
Licensee will make payment on fine 1/2 now and 2nd 1/2 in 30 days ok per CR 10/29/1999.
10/27/1999 Kris hand delivered Suspension and/or Fine and Stayed Suspension letter - LAB
10/13/1999 CF99-989 Finalizing City Council action taken 09/22 concerning adverse action against licenses held. Details; 1) The licenses shall be suspended for a period of thirty days effective 12:01am on 11/03/1999-11:59pm on 12/02/1999 or in the alternative, the licensees shall pay a fine of $\$ 2,000.00$ each, which fine shall be due on or before $10 / 26$, 2) An additional 30-days suspension shall be imposed, which suspension is hereby stayed for a period of 18 months on the condition that there be no further violations of the license conditions or violations of law during that period. 3) The condition on each of the licenses that permit the display of 40 cars on the premises shall be amended to permit the display of no more than 20 vehicles for sale. In addition, in the even there is a violation of conditions of the licenses, or of law, within the next 18 months, the stayed 30 day suspension will be imposed.
CAM
09/24/1999 Cost of ALJ hearing - \$4045.50. CAR
09/22/1999 Scheduled for council hearing. CAR
08/24/1999 ALJ Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Recommendation (for the violation of license conditions) received.
07/23/1999 Relpy briefs due. CAR
ALJ scheduled for 06/22
04/16/1999 Notice of continued hearing from CAO to 04/30/99 CAR
02/26/1999 Notice of hearing from CAO for ALJ on 04/13/1999. CAR
02/11/1999 Form A letter sent by CAO for violation of conditions. (\# of cars, drive lane). CAR
02/11/1998 CF 98-109 Approved 2nd hand dealer license. CAR
01/27/1998 PH notice mailed 01/26/1998, hearing date 02/11/1998 21M, 1 O \& 43EM/JL

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## Licensee: IMPORT AUTO ENTERPRISES INC

## DBA: IMPORT AUTO ENTERPRISES INC

License \#: 19970000049

1. The number of vehicles on the lot for sale shall not exceed (20) twenty. There shall be (8) eight customer/employee parking spaces provided on the property. The arrangement of sales display area and off-street parking shall be as shown on site plan on file with LIEP
2) A drive lane shall be maintained open for thru vehicle access as shown on the site plan.
3) The easterly drive on Winona Avenue must be removed and restored with curb and gutter to City specifications. The driveway removal and restoration work must be completed by September 1, 1998 with a permit from the Saint Paul Public Works Division.
4) Vehicles shall not project into or be parked in the public rights-of-way on Robert St. and Winona Ave. A post and chain barrier or similar vehicle restraint device must be instailed along the property line on Winona to prevent encroachment into the public area (see site plan for location).


Referred To $\qquad$ Committee: Date $\qquad$

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Office of License, Inspections and Environmental Protection (LIEP) initiated adverse action against the license of Mohamed Abedi, d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc., and Mostafa Farzaneh Kia, d/b/a MFK Enterprises, Inc., 830 South Robert Street, for violations of the conditions on the licenses; and
. . WHEREAS, an administrative hearing was held before Administrative Law Judge Phyllis A. Reba on April 13, 1999 and June 22, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the administrative law judge issued her Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation on August 23, 1999; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing on September 22, 1999 the licensees did not appear nor did they file exceptions to the Administrative Law Judge's Report; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Saint Paul, after due deliberation based upon all of the files, records and proceedings herein, including the documents and exhibits submitted to the Administrative Law Judge, the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendation of the judge as well as the Memorandum attached thereto, and such arguments as may have been made at the hearing, imposes the following adverse action against the second hand motor vehicle licenses held by Mohammed Abedi, d/b/a Import Auto Enterprises, Inc., and Mostafa Farzaneh Kia, d/b/a MFK Enterprises, Inc., for the premises at 830 South Robert Street:

1) The licenses shall be suspended for a period of thirty days effective at-12:01 a.m.on November 3; 1999 and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on December 2, 1999, or in the alternative, the licensees shall pay a fine $^{2}$ of $\$ 2,000$, which fine shall be due on or before October 26 , 1999.
2) An additional thirty day suspension shall be imposed, which suspension is hereby stayed for a period of eighteen (18) months on the condition that there be no further violations of the license conditions or violations of law during that period.
3) The condition on each of the licenses that permits the display of 40 cars on the premises shall be amended to permit the display of no more than 20 vehicles for sale.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event there is a violation of the conditions of the licenses, or of law, within the next eighteen months, the stayed 30 day suspension will be imposed upon the licensees using the following procedure:

1) The director of LIEP or his designee will execute an affidavit reciting on personal knowledge the violation or violations of the conditions of the licenses or of the law; and
2) Such affidavit shall be served on the licensee; and
3) A resolution imposing the stayed thirty days, specifying the beginning and ending dates of such suspension shall be prepared by LIEP, and the council shall place it on the next available consent agenda for appropriate action; and
4) A copy of the resolution shall be served on the licensees.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Administrative Law Judge shall be adopted and shall be attached and incorporated herein, by reference.

A copy of this Resolution, as adopted, shall be sent by first class mail to the Licensees, their attorney and to the Administrative Law Judge.

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Approved by Mayor for Submission to Council
By: $\qquad$
il 830 Robert Sts

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830 Robert St S - 55107-3232 - Other Applications
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Unverified Usage: 10- GENERAL RETAIL \& SVC- B- Commercial
Zoning: B 2
Legal Desc: AUDITOR'S SUB OF L6 BIDWELLS EX ST LOT 8 AND ALL OF LOT 9
Owner:
Mohmmad Bagher Abedi/Mostafa Farzaneh Kia
830 Robert St S
St Paul MN 55107-3232
Certificate of Occupancy Responsible Party:
Mfk Ent. Inc.
830 Robert St S
Saint Paul MN 55107
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Sec. 310.05. - Hearing procedures.
(m) Presumptive penalties for certain violations. The purpose of this section is to establish a standard by which the city council determines the amount of fines, the length of license suspensions and the propriety of revocations, and shall apply to all license types, except that in the case of a violation involving a liquor license $\S 409.26$ shall apply where a specific violation is listed. In the case of an adverse action filed for a violation of chapter 331A, the licensee shall be given a fine for each individual violation of chapter 331A. The total fine amount for violations of chapter 331A may exceed the maximum fine outlined below due to multiple violations in one (1) appearance. All penalty recommendations for chapter 331A violations shall be based on the food penalty guideline referred to in chapter 331A. These penalties are presumed to be appropriate for every case; however the council may deviate therefrom in an individual case where the council finds and determines that there exist substantial and compelling reasons making it more appropriate to do so. When deviating from these standards, the council shall provide written reasons that specify why the penalty selected was more appropriate.

| Type of Violation | Appearance |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1st | 2nd | 3 rd | 4th |
| (1) Violations of conditions placed on the license | \$500.00 fine | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,000.00 \\ & \text { fine } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 2,000.00$ fine and 10-day suspension | Revocation |
| (2) Violation of provisions of the legislative code relating to the licensed activity | \$500.00 fine | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,000.00 \\ & \quad \text { fine } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 2,000.00$ fine and 10-day suspension | Revocation |
| (3) Violation of provisions of the legislative code relating to the licensed activity, other than violations of the food code | \$500.00 fine | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,000.00 \\ & \text { fine } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ 2,000.00$ fine and 10-day suspension | Revocation |
| (4) Failure to permit entrance or inspection by DSI inspector or police | 5-day suspension | 10-day suspension | 15-day suspension | Revocation |
| (5) Commission of a crime other than a felony on the premises by a licensee or employee | \$700.00 | \$1,500.00 | 5-day suspension | Revocation |
| (6) Commission of a felony on the premises by a licensee or employee | \$2,000.00 | Revocation | n/a | n/a |


| (7) Death or great bodily harm in <br> establishment related to violation of law <br> or license conditions | 30 -day <br> suspension | 60-day <br> suspension | Revocation | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (8) Failure to pay license fees | Suspension | Revocation |  |  |
| (9) Critical violations under 331A | $\$ 250.00$ | $\$ 500.00$ | \$1,000.00, <br> suspension | Revocation |
| (10) Non-critical violation under 331A | $\$ 150.00$ | $\$ 250.00$ | $\$ 500.00$ | \$1,000.00 |
| (11) Taxi fail to display driver's license as <br> required by 376.16(f) | $\$ 100.00$ | $\$ 250.00$ | $\$ 500.00$ | Revocation |
| (12) Taxi fail to display number of <br> information and complaint office as <br> required by $376.11(v)$ | $\$ 100.00$ | $\$ 250.00$ | $\$ 500.00$ | Revocation |
| (13) Violation of restrictions upon <br> sidewalk café license under $106.01(b)$ | $\$ 200.00$ | $\$ 400.00$ | $\$ 800.00$ | Revocation |

## (i) Fines payable without hearing.

A. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 310.05(c), a licensee who would be making a first or second appearance before the council may elect to pay the fine to the department of safety and inspections without a council hearing, unless the notice of violation has indicated that a hearing is required because of circumstances which may warrant deviation from the presumptive fine amount. Payment of the recommended fine will be considered to be a waiver of the hearing to which the licensee is entitled, and will be considered an "appearance" for the purpose of determining presumptive penalties for subsequent violations.
B. For adverse action initiated under chapter 331A of this Code, a fine may be paid without a hearing regardless of how many prior appearances that licensee has made before the council. The above council hearing requirement applies to violations under chapter 331A unless the fine recommended by the department of safety and inspections is equal to or less than the fine amount outlined in the above matrix. Payment of the recommended fine will be considered to be a waiver of the hearing to which the licensee is entitled, and will be considered an "appearance" for the purpose of determining presumptive penalties for subsequent violations. A non-critical violation under chapter 331A shall not be considered an "appearance" for purposes of determining presumptive penalties for non-331A violations. A council hearing is required if the department of safety and inspections recommends a fine that is an upward departure for the amount outlined above.
(ii) Multiple violations. At a licensee's first appearance before the city council, the council shall consider and act upon all the violations that have been alleged and/or incorporated in the notices sent to the licensee under the administrative procedures act up to and including the formal notice of hearing. The council in that case shall consider the presumptive penalty for each such violation under the "1st Appearance" column in paragraph (b) above. The occurrence of multiple violations shall be grounds for departure from such penalties in the council's discretion.
(iii) Violations occurring after the date of the notice of hearing. Violations occurring after the date of the notice of hearing that are brought to the attention of the city attorney prior to the hearing date before an administrative law judge (or before the council in an uncontested facts hearing) may be added to the notice(s) by stipulation if the licensee admits to the facts, and shall in that case be treated as though part of the "1st Appearance." In all other cases, violations occurring after the date of the formal notice of hearing shall be the subject of a separate proceeding and dealt with as a " 2 nd Appearance" before the council. The same procedures shall apply to a second, third or fourth appearance before the council.
(iv) Subsequent appearances. Upon a second, third or fourth appearance before the council by a particular licensee, the council shall impose the presumptive penalty for the violation or violations giving rise to the subsequent appearance without regard to the particular violation or violations that were the subject of the first or prior appearance. However, non-critical violations of chapter 331A shall not be counted as an "appearance" before the council in relation to any violation other than another violation of chapter 331A.
(v) Computation of time.
(1) Second appearance. A second violation within twelve (12) months shall be treated as a second appearance for the purpose of determining the presumptive penalty.
(2) Third appearance. A third violation within eighteen (18) months shall be treated as a third appearance for the purpose of determining the presumptive penalty.
(3) Fourth appearance. A fourth violation within twenty-four (24) months shail be treated as a fourth appearance for the purpose of determining the presumptive penalty.
(4) Any appearance not covered by subsections (1), (2) or (3) above shall be treated as a first appearance. Measurement of the twelve-, eighteen-, or twenty-four-month period shall be as follows: The beginning date shall be the earliest violation's date of appearance before the council, and the ending date shall be the date of the new violation. In case of multiple new violations, the ending date to be used shall be the date of the violation last in time.
(5) Notwithstanding subsections (iv)(1), (2), (3) or (4) above, a second appearance before the council regarding a death or great bodily harm in a licensed establishment that is related to a violation of the law or license conditions shall be counted as a second appearance, regardless of how much time has passed since the first appearance if the first appearance was also regarding a death or great bodily harm in a licensed establishment. A third appearance for the same shall be counted as a third appearance regardless of how much time has passed since the first or second appearance.
(6) For the purpose of a second, third or fourth appearance under this section, "violation" shall mean either one of those violations listed in paragraph ( m ) or a violation of section 409.26(b).
(Code 1956, § 510.05; Ord. No. 17551, § 2, 4-19-88; Ord. No. 17559, §§ 1, 2, 5-17-88; Ord. No. 17659, § 1, 6-13-89; Ord. No. 17911, § 1, 3-10-92; C.F. No. 94-46, § 7, 2-2-94; C.F. No. 94-898, §§ 2, 3, 7-13-94; C.F. No. 94-1340, § 2, 10-19-94; C.F. No. 95-473, § 4, 5-31-95; C.F. No. 05180, § 1, 4-6-05; C.F. No. 06-954, § 1, 11-8-06; C.F. No. 06-1072, § 1, 12-27-06; C.F. No. $07-$ 149, § 73, 3-28-07; C.F. No. 07-1053, § 1, 11-28-07; C.F. No. 08-1208, § 1, 12-17-08; C.F. No. 10-665, § 1, 7-28-10; Ord. No. 11-93, § 1, 9-28-11; Ord. No. 11-94, § 1, 10-12-11; Ord 12-42, § 1, 8-22-12; Ord 12-85, § 1, 1-23-13)


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