

Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)

From: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 2:23 PM
To: 'Lower Town Manager'; 'Barbara L. Ransom'
Cc: 'Chuckrepke@aol.com'; Ubl, Stephen (CI-StPaul)
Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Good Afternoon Angie and Barbara,

Steve Ubl, the City's Building Official, would be happy to talk to you about what the Department of Safety and Inspections is looking for when it comes to these appliances. It may be useful for you to involve your contractor and appliance supplier in the conversation at this juncture, as well, so everyone has the same understanding. Steve is copied on this email and his phone is 651-266-9021.

I have re-scheduled the City Council's public hearing to December 19, but will push it out a little further if need be to clarify what is needed.

Sincerely, Marcia Moermond

From: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Tuesday, December 4, 2018 4:27 PM
To: 'Lower Town Manager' <lowertown_manager@reeliving.com>; Barbara L. Ransom <BRansom@reeliving.com>
Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Good Afternoon Angie, I have forwarded your question to DSI staff and will follow-up with them tomorrow. Have a good evening, Marcia

From: Lower Town Manager [mailto:lowertown_manager@reeliving.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 4, 2018 8:58 AM
To: Barbara L. Ransom <BRansom@reeliving.com>; Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul) <marcia.moermond@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Good Morning Marcia,

I am working on getting you the requested information from the company we purchase the appliances from All Inc. He has been working to help me locate these UL or UEL codes. However, he is looking to clarify what it is that you are looking for as there are references to UL codes for the power cords, etc.

Thank you so much,

Angie Matuzak
Property Manager

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From: Barbara L. Ransom <BRansom@reeliving.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 1, 2018 10:51 AM
To: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul) <marcia.moermond@ci.stpaul.mn.us>; Lower Town Manager <lowertown_manager@reeliving.com>
Cc: chuckrepke@aol.com; Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul) <mai.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us>; Ubl, Stephen (CI-StPaul) <stephen.ubl@ci.stpaul.mn.us>; Wiese, Angie (CI-StPaul) <angie.wiese@ci.stpaul.mn.us>; Reinsberg, Gary (CI-StPaul) <gary.reinsberg@ci.stpaul.mn.us>; William R. Bisanz <bill@reeliving.com>; Paula M. Kastner <pkastner@reeliving.com>
Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Greetings,

I will have the site take care of this next week. I have included the Property Manager on this communication. We will get the information over to you via email.

Thank you for working with us on this situation. Our goal is to be in compliance with code, as well as sensitive to our residents and proactive for Ownership.

Regards,

Barbara L. Ransom | Director of Property Operations



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From: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul) <marcia.moermond@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2018 4:52 PM
To: Barbara L. Ransom <BRansom@reeliving.com>
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Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Good Afternoon Ms. Ransom,

I would like to talk to you a little bit more about your washer/dryer units and the lint trap/collector system currently in place. I'm hoping you can look at the units you have and take photos of all pertinent model number and UL or UEL (or other national listing agency information) on both of them. There is a chance, albeit I think a small one, that they are listed and the units will be ok.

With respect to the units you proposed in your email, we would be looking for the same information. I was unable to find any listing information in the materials you provided. I also searched the Whirlpool website for the model you're looking at and although I was able to find the manual and installation documents, it did not include listing information. The dealer you are working with may have this information more readily available.

I am asking my Hearing Coordinator, Mai Vang, to schedule a time for this; hopefully on December 11 or 18. If you are able to email the information ahead of time, we may be able to review it and respond by email. Otherwise, I think we need to sit down with the Sr. Mechanical inspector and Building Official (who can make decisions about whether the current or proposed set-ups would be substantially compliant with the relevant codes).

This has turned into a drawn-out process, but I want to make sure we are reviewing all possible angles for you before you make this significant capital expenditure.

Thank you, Marcia Moermond

From: Barbara L. Ransom [<mailto:BRansom@reeliving.com>]
Sent: Thursday, November 8, 2018 2:03 PM
To: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul) <marcia.moermond@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Cc: chuckrepke@aol.com
Subject: FW: Parkside Dryers

Greetings,

As requested from the Tuesday, November 6th hearing regarding ventless dryers at our Parkside Apartments location, 250th Fifth Street East.

The attached contains information regarding the current electric appliances installed (dryers/stackable). The indoor lint trap system used for the whirlpool appliance, instructions for the lint trap system, lint trap filter that is currently being purchased, communication that is provided to residents regarding proper usage/care, and price quote for appliance replacement along with instructional use. The only difference in the older model and the newer ventless model is that the lint trap system is IN the appliance not just attached as the current ones are. The resident will stay have to empty the collection container, as they do now.

In addition, the newer appliances are much more intensive with routine care per the instruction manual. In either case, residents are educated and preventative maintenance is routinely performed on a quarterly basis in all apartments to confirm proper care is being adhered too. Our goal is to be in compliance with City codes, however, we strongly feel that what is currently installed isn't violating ordinances or a fire hazard and has been functioning like this for several decades without issues.

Please confirm that this information is sufficient. If anything else is required please let me know.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Regards,

Barbara L. Ransom | Director of Property Operations



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From: Lower Town Manager <lowertown_manager@reeliving.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 8, 2018 1:07 PM

To: Barbara L. Ransom <BRansom@reeliving.com>

Subject: RE: Parkside Dryers

Enclosed is a copy of:

- 1) Correction Notice
- 2) Current washer/dryer installed
- 3) Indoor Lint Trap Kit that has been being installed prior to 2016 (when I arrived at LOW/PAR) and currently maintained/cleaned/replaced
- 4) Multiple different versions and instructions for the Indoor Lint Trap Kit
- 5) Information given and gone over with new residents at move in
- 6) Price Quote for ventless dryers and washers
- 7) Specs of ventless dryers and washers from quote
- 8) Portions of Owners Manual Dryer directions for emptying water container/Condenser/Ventilation Grille and Cool Air Inlet

Please let me know if there is any additional information needed.

Thank you,

Angie Matuzak

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