

## Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 4, 2019 12:03 PM  
**To:** Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)  
**Cc:** Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul); Jessica Jones; Magner, Steve (CI-StPaul); Soley, Reid (CI-StPaul)  
**Subject:** 899 Germain St. Recommendation to City Council  
**Attachments:** O'SullivanE-mailReInvestor19.0604.pdf

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Dear Ms. Moermond:

I write in regard to 899 Germain Street. The city council will hear tomorrow your recommendation that the City Council order the building be removed within 15 days.

The property owner, James O'Sullivan, and his attorney-in-fact, Jessica Jones, met yesterday with Jeff Oman, a realtor who earlier introduced Mr. O'Sullivan and Ms. Jones to Todd Franzen, a person who until April 17, 2019 expressed interest in rehabilitating the property through his business, Cash for Houses, Inc. As you may recall, Mr. Oman contacted the city (via Reid Soley) on Mr. Franzen's behalf on April 17, 2019, stating that Mr. Franzen no longer intended to move forward with the property rehabilitation and purchase.

Mr. Oman introduced Mr. O'Sullivan and Ms. Jones yesterday to Emmanuel Akosa, a representative of potential investors who would rehabilitate the property. I first learned of the meeting, and Mr. Oman's ongoing efforts to find an investor, yesterday. Mr. O'Sullivan, with Ms. Jones' assistance, would like to explore entering an agreement with the investors for the home's rehabilitation and purchase. Mr. Oman forwarded me the attached e-mail as verification of the pending discussion about rehabilitation and purchase of the property by an investor. I have reached out to Mr. Akosa and am awaiting further information.

Please let me know whether you would consider changing your recommendation to the city council under these circumstances, continuing the matter again for further consideration after a written status report received on or before June 11, 2019. Otherwise, unless and until I provide further notice, I will anticipate appearing at tomorrow's council meeting, asking that RLH RR 19-3 be removed from the consent agenda for its own hearing. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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