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August 31, 2020

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Order to Abate Nuisance Building(s)

Dear Responsible or Interested Party:

The Vacant/Nuisance Buildings Unit, Department of the Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement, hereby declares the premises located at:

1629 HARTFORD AVE

With the following Historic Preservation information: NONE

and legally described as follows, to wit:

MATTOCK PARK LOT 14 BLK 5

to comprise a nuisance condition in violation of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 45.02, and subject to demolition under authority of Chapter 45.11.

On <u>August 26, 2020</u> a Building Deficiency Inspection Report was compiled and the following conditions were observed.

This list of deficiencies is not necessarily all the deficiencies present at this time. This building(s) is subject to the restrictions of Saint Paul Ordinance Chapter 33.03 and shall not again be used for occupancy until such time as a Certificate of Compliance or a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued. All repairs must be in accordance with appropriate codes. Changes or additions to the electrical system, mechanical system, or the plumbing system may necessitate updating or upgrading the systems involved.

This is a two-story, wood frame, single-family dwelling with a detached, two-stall garage.

The following is excerpted from the May 7, 2020 Code Compliance Report:

BUILDING

- 1. Dry out basement and eliminate source of moisture.
- 2. Where wall and ceiling covering is removed install full thickness or code-specified insulation.

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- 3. Air-seal and insulate attic/access door.
- 4. Install Smoke Detectors/Carbon Monoxide Detectors per MN Conservation Code and the MN Dept. of Labor and Industry: Install per code where feasible.
- 5. Install water-proof enclosure in shower area.
- 6. Remove trees which are against foundation of home and garage.
- 7. Need zoning approval on roof height or change height/design.
- 8. 2nd floor stair to be redone to meet new code.
- 9. Must verify west property line. If less than 5' contractor must build an approved firewall assembly.
- 10. Provide adequate access, ventilation and clearance in crawl space area.
- 11. Install handrails (34 inches 38 inches above each nosing) and guardrails (36-inch minimum) at all stairways, and return handrail ends into a newel post or wall per attachment.
- 12. Strap or support top of stair stringers for structural stability.
- 13. Repair or Replace any deteriorated window sash, broken glass, sash holders, re-putty, etc as necessary.
- 14. Repair or replace damaged doors and frames as necessary, including storm doors.
- 15. Weather seal exterior doors, threshold and weather-stripping.
- 16. Install floor covering in bathroom and kitchen that is impervious to water.
- 17. Any framing members that required repair or do not meet code (where wall and ceiling covering is removed, members that are over-spanned, over-spaced, not being carried properly, door and window openings that are not adequately supported, etc.) are to be reconstructed in an approved manner.
- 18. A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies. All work is to be done in a workmanship like manner.

ELECTRICAL

- 1. Service/Sub Panel -Throughout -Due to the nature of construction of this vacant property and the fact that all walls have been removed, the service and all wiring shall be installed per the most current National Electrical Code.
- 2. All electrical work must be done by a Minnesota-licensed electrical contractor under an electrical permit.

PLUMBING

- 1. All plumbing abandoned. Install all drain waste vent and water piping to code. Install all plumbing fixtures to code.
- 2. All the above corrections to waste, vent, water, and gas piping shall be per the Minnesota Plumbing Code Chapter 4714, Minnesota Rules Chapter 326, 4716, 1300, the Minnesota Mechanical Code, the Minnesota Fuel Gas Code, and Saint Paul Regional Water Services Water Code. All plumbing must be done by a plumbing contractor licensed in the State of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul by a plumber licensed in the State of Minnesota who also possess a City of Saint Paul Competency Card and after obtaining an approved City of Saint Paul Plumbing Permit.

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MECHANICAL

- 1. Clean and Orsat test furnace/boiler burner. Check all controls for proper operation. Check furnace heat exchanger for leak; provide documentation from a licensed contractor that the heating unit is safe.
- 2. Install approved metal chimney liner.
- 3. Replace furnace/boiler flue venting to code.
- 4. Connect furnace/boiler and water heater venting into chimney liner.
- 5. Vent clothes dryer to code.
- 6. Provide adequate combustion air and support duct to code.
- 7. Provide support for gas lines to code.
- 8. Plug, cap and/or remove all disconnected gas lines, non-conforming gas lines and unapproved valves.
- 9. Provide all supply and return ducts for warm air heating system must be clean before final approval for occupancy. Documentation is required from a licensed duct-cleaning contractor that the duct system has been cleaned.
- 10. Repair and/or replace heating registers as necessary.
- 11. Provide heat in every habitable room and bathrooms.
- 12. Support supply and return piping from heating system according to code.
- 13. Conduct witnessed pressure test on hot water heating system and check for leaks.
- 14. Repair or replace radiator valves as needed.
- 15. Mechanical permits are required for the above work.

As owner, agent or responsible party, you are hereby notified that if these deficiencies and the resulting nuisance condition is not corrected by **September 30, 2020** the Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement, will begin a substantial abatement process to demolish and remove the building(s). The costs of this action, including administrative costs and demolition costs will be assessed against the property taxes as a special assessment in accordance with law.

As first remedial action, a Code Compliance Inspection Report must be obtained from the Building Inspection and Design Section, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 220, (651) 266-8989. This inspection will identify specific defects, necessary repairs and legal requirements to correct this nuisance condition. You may also be required to post a five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) performance bond with the Department of Safety and Inspections before any permits are issued, except for a demolition permit. Call the Department of Safety and Inspections for more information at 651-266-8989.

If this building is located in a historic district or site (noted on page 1, above, just below the property address) then you must contact Heritage Preservation (HPC) staff to discuss your proposal for the repairs required by this order and compliance with preservation guidelines. Copies of the guidelines and design review application and forms are available from the Department of Safety and Inspections web site (see letterhead) and from the HPC staff. No permits will be issued without HPC review and approval. HPC staff also can be reached by calling 651-266-9078.

As an owner or responsible party, you are required by law to provide full and complete disclosure of this "Order to Abate" to all interested parties, all present or subsequent renters and any subsequent owners. The property shall not be sold, transferred or conveyed in any manner

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until the Nuisance Conditions have been abated and the Certificate of Code Compliance or Certificate of Occupancy has been issued.

The Enforcement Officer is required by law to post a placard on this property which declares it to be a "nuisance condition", subject to demolition and removal by the City. This placard shall not be removed without the written authority of the Department of Safety and Inspections, Division of Code Enforcement. The department is further required to file a copy of this "Order to Abate" with the City Clerk's Office.

If corrective action is not taken within the time specified in this order, the Enforcement Officer will notify the City Council that abatement action is necessary. The City Clerk will then schedule dates for Public Hearings before the City Council at which time testimony will be heard from interested parties. After this hearing the City Council will adopt a resolution stating what action if any, it deems appropriate.

If the resolution calls for abatement action the Council may either order the City to take the abatement action or fix a time within which this nuisance must be abated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 33 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code and provide that if corrective action is not taken within the specified time, the City shall abate this nuisance. The costs of this action, including administrative costs will be assessed against the property as a special assessment in accordance with law.

If you have any questions or request additional information please contact **Joe Yannarelly** at **651-266-1920**, or you may leave a voice mail message.

Sincerely,

Joe Yannarelly

Vacant Buildings Enforcement Inspector