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Greetings Honorable City Council,

I am a owner of 1568 Hague Avenue having been at least the part owner since 1997. I contacted your office twice regarding payment of this Certificate of Occupancy bill. The first was within the period of April 21 through May 15th. I was then told that I could wait on paying until after the final inspection. I then called somewhere around the first of June. I do not recall the exact date but it was before the scheduled final inspection. I was then told I could not pay it at that time because it had gone to processing somewhere else. I asked what that meant. The lady said "don't worry" it will just be added to your real estate bill. So I did not worry.

Now I see that I have some DSO admin fee of \$122 and a real estate admin fee of \$35. You guys are killing me! Listen,, I am providing affordable housing for St. Paul. Many of my tenants are fighting like crazy to make it right now. I have been bending over backwards to help including reducing rent for multiple months because I do not want to see them ending up in a bad place. It does not help that I need to deal with the city who really does not seem to care about affordable housing. It still bothers me on the extra costs for two trash dispensers that is now required for my duplex when my tenants up and downstairs were perfectly happy with one a large one.

The bottom line is this. Do whatever you want. That does not erase the fact that I am getting run down by all of this nickle and diming by the city with no help coming my way, only scorn. I am right across from the Old Ogara's. That appears to be what all of you really want. Fancy Condo's that barely any working grunt could afford. I could sell my place tomorrow, make a killing, and I guarantee the new owner would make a huge profit by putting in fancy renovations bumping rent way out of the affordable range. I could also do that myself. I do not do it because I have a conscience and realize that it only contributes to the problems for this city and removes affordable housing possibilities for my tenants. Then again Fort Myers, FL is a hot market. Maybe I will just sell this place and be done. Go find myself a eventual retirement home that makes way more then here. So tempting right now! Anyway, just my thoughts. Have a good day regardless of what you decide.

Sincerely, Randy Wuori

P.S. I am a fellow working stiff in the medical field. I will be hard at work around 3:30pm on Wednesday treating people and helping them get back to work. I will be unable to correspond at that time