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APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

Telephone: (651) 266-8585

We need the following to process your appeal:

- \$25 filing fee (non-refundable) (payable to the City of Saint Paul) (if cash: receipt number # 5597)
 - Copy of the City-issued orders/letter being appealed
 - Attachments you may wish to include
 - This appeal form completed
 - Walk-In OR Mail-In
- for abatement orders only: Email OR Fax

HEARING DATE & TIME
(provided by Legislative Hearing Office)

Tuesday, FEB. 23, 2021

Time 2:30 p.m.

Location of Hearing:

~~Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse~~
*** DUE TO COVID 19 - PLEASE**

**BE AVAILABLE BY PHONE
BETWEEN 2:30 AND 4:00 P.M.**

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1393 Beech St. City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55106

Appellant/Applicant: Sai Shong Lee Email Saishonglee@hotmail.com

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell 651-373-8814

Signature: [Signature] Date: Feb 16, 2021

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): _____

Mailing Address if Not Appellant's: _____

Phone Numbers: Business _____ Residence _____ Cell _____

What Is Being Appealed and Why? Attachments Are Acceptable

- Vacate Order/Condemnation/Revocation of Fire C of O
- Summary/Vehicle Abatement
- Fire C of O Deficiency List/Correction
- Code Enforcement Correction Notice
- Vacant Building Registration
- Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.)

Comments:

Please see attached

Subject: inspection of 1393 Beech.

Date: Friday, February 12, 2021 at 7:49:45 AM Central Standard Time

From: Sai Lee

To: james.thomas@ci.stpaul.mn.us

Dear Mr. Thomas;

I left you several messages for both yesterday and this morning. Since you are very busy schedule and you can not answer or can not return my calls. No body was waiting for you on Feb 3rd because I was blackout and fallen down on floor, 911 called and I was brought to Region Hospital. I returned home yesterday, Dr. wants me to stay in hospital at least 3 more days but due to Covid 19, I wanted to go home. I still very weak and on bed at home. My child just started and a new job, he can not take off from work. Would you please reschedule another appointment for 1393 Beech? Or, you will see 1405 Margaret on Feb 19th at 10:00am. Can you also see 1393 Beech before seeing 1405 Margaret? Because these two properties are very close together. Please let me know, thank you.

Sincerely;

Sai S. Lee

Subject: reschedule app for 1393 Beech.

Date: Friday, February 12, 2021 at 9:31:52 AM Central Standard Time

From: Sai Lee

To: james.thomas@ci.stpaul.mn.us

Mr. Thomas;

Would please send over your supervisor's name and phone number?

Thanks;

Sai S. Lee

Feb. 16, 2021

This is Sai Lee, owner of 1393 Beech St.

Mr. James Thomas, Fire Inspector has scheduled to inspect our property above on Feb. 3, 2021, and I supposed to be there for him but I was blackout and fallen down on floor, I was brought to Region hospital. I was so sick and about to die. I was home on Feb. 12, and I called Mr. Thomas immediately from 7am until 8:15am, he did not answered phone and did not return my calls. Since he did not return calls, I emailed him and requested another appointment and I kept calling him. He did not reply my email too.

My final called was at about 8:30 am, he answered my call. I requested another inspection appointment. I explained the above to him and told him that my son just started a new job that he cannot take off from job to wait for Mr. Thomas, if Mr. Thomas can make an appointment late like 5mp then my son can be home for him.

I told Mr. Thomas that I request an appointment to redo inspection of our property above, he answered me, not that just simple and he refused to make appointment for me, then he refer me to his manager, I called the manager and she refer me to Mr. Thomas' supervisor. I called Thomas' supervisor, and I was so glad that Thomas' supervisor returned my calls two times. But after talking to Mr. Thomas, my body's temperature was 102, My family took me immediately to the Dr.

And the Dr. wanted to send me back to region hospital, I declined because I was worry about catching Covid 19, due to my age is 71, and I had bypassed 4 years ago, I am currently on medication for diabetes, heart, and prostate disease.

I asked Mr. Thomas' supervisor to please make another appointment for me. She answered "no" and she refer me to St. Paul City Council-Legislative Hearings.

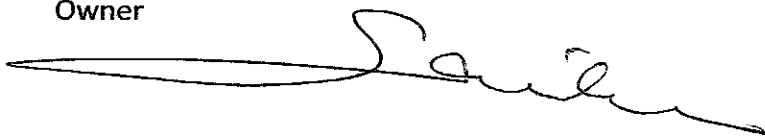
I called St. Paul City Council-Legislative Hearings, and I explained the above to them, and they told me to appeal the Fire Inspection Worker and they emailed me the appeal application form.

Currently, my son is living in the property above. We have fixed everything in the property according to code as the City of St. Paul Fire and Safety's recommendation.

We are requesting another inspection and drop this hearing.

Thank you for your kinds and consideration of our request.

Sai S. Lee
Owner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sai Lee", written over a horizontal line.



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806Telephone: 651-266-8989
Facsimile: 651-266-1919
www.stpaul.gov/dsi

February 09, 2021

Yerher Lee/Shong Sai Lee
2574 Hazelwood St N
Maplewood MN 55109-2029

Customer #:1472621

Bill #: 1553513

VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION NOTICE

The premises at **1393 BEECH ST** has been inspected and found to meet the legal definition of a Vacant Building as described in Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43. You are required by law to register this building with the Department of Safety and Inspections, Vacant Building Division, by filling out and returning the registration form provided with this letter. You are also required to pay the annual Vacant Building Registration Fee of **\$2,127.00**. The fee is due upon receipt of this letter and must be paid no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this letter, as required in Saint Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 43. If this building is vacant due to a fire, complete the enclosed registration form and return it to this office within 30 days.

Payment must be received by March 09, 2021 .

You may pay this registration fee online by going to **online.stpaul.gov** and selecting the 'Make a Payment' option. You will need your customer number and bill number to process a payment - both can be found on this letter.

To pay this invoice by mail please send this registration form along with payment to:

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS
375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806
Do Not Mail Cash

If you wish to pay in person, you may do so from 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday at the above address.

You may file an appeal to this fee or registration requirements by contacting the City Clerk's Office by calling (651)266-8688. Any appeal of this fee must be made within ten (10) days of the date of this notice.

If the registration fee is not received in this office within 45 days of the date of this letter, the full amount owed will be assessed to, and collected with, the taxes for this property as permitted by Saint Paul Legislative Code Chapter 43.

The Code Enforcement Officer has notified the Building Inspection and Design Section that this property meets the legal definition of a registered vacant building and in accordance with Legislative Code Chapter 33, no permits (except demolition, wrecking and removal permits) will be issued until the requirements of all applicable ordinances are fulfilled.

All category 2 and category 3 vacant buildings must be winterized with gas and water services shut off or, alternately, an excess flow gas valve must be installed in the dwelling, within sixty (60) days of the date of this notice.

WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL IS REQUIRED BEFORE A CATEGORY 2 OR CATEGORY 3 VACANT BUILDING CAN BE OCCUPIED OR SOLD.

Category 2: Requirements include: 1. register/re-register the building, 2. pay outstanding fee(s), 3. obtain a code compliance report, 4. submit for approval a rehab cost estimate from a licensed contractor and a schedule for completion of all code compliance work, 5. submit proof of financial responsibility acceptable to the City, and 6. obtain Zoning approval of the proposed use.

Category 3: All requirements listed for Category 2 vacant buildings, AND obtain a **Certificate of Occupancy OR Certificate of Code Compliance** prior to the sale of the building.

If the use of this building meets the definition of a nonconforming use by the Zoning Code, then the use will lose its nonconforming status 365 days from the date the building was declared vacant.

You must contact the Enforcement officer , James Hoffman, at 651-266-1947 to find out what must be done before this building can be legally reoccupied.

The Enforcement Officer may declare this building to constitute a Nuisance Building subject to demolition and issue an Order to Abate under authority of Legislative Code Chapter 45. In the event this building is declared a Nuisance Building, subject to demolition, the Enforcement Office will notify all owners and interested parties of the Order to Abate as provided in the Legislative Code Chapter 45.

If you have questions about this annual registration fee or other vacant building requirements, please contact the District Inspector, James Hoffman, at 651-266-1947.

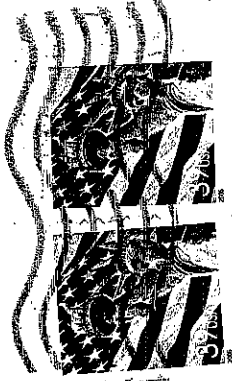
This registration form and fee is required by law. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Steve Magner
Vacant Buildings Program Manager

Enclosures: Regulations Requirements Information
Vacant Building Registration Form

SM: jh
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Sai S. Lee
2874 Hazelwood St. N
Maplewood, MN 55109



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