



APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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CITY CLERK

310 City Hall, 15 W. Kellogg Blvd.

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 _____)
 - 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, May 18, 2021

Time 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location of Hearing:
 Teleconference due to Covid-19 Pandemic

Call cell

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 1204 Grand City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55105

Appellant/Applicant: Robert J. Lunieski Email rlunieski@lunieskiassociates.com

Phone Numbers: Business 612-834-5720 cell (952) 832-5151 Residence _____ Cell _____

Signature: Robert J. Lunieski Date: May 10, 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 See attached
- Other (Fence Variance, Code Compliance, etc.) _____



Lunieski & Associates

May 10, 2021

St. Paul City Council
Legislative Hearings
310 City Hall
15 West Kellogg Boulevard
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

Re: 1204 Grand Avenue
St. Paul, MN

Dear City Clerk:

The building you believe is vacant is not. This building is full of inventory. I have not used this building to sell merchandise for the last year due to COVID-19. It is a retail building, properly zoned. The heat is on. The water is on but not used as I have not opened the doors due to COVID-19/

If you have any questions, please give me a call at (952) 832-5151.

Respectfully,

Robert J. Lunieski, MAI

RJL/bjl

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS

Steve Magner, Manager of Code Enforcement



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

375 Jackson Street, Suite 220
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1806

Telephone: 651-266-8989

Facsimile: 651-266-1919

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May 04, 2021

1204 Grand Ave Llc
7645 Lyndale Ave S # 250
Richfield MN 55423-6008

Customer #:1624644

Bill #: 1570587

VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION NOTICE

The premises at **1204 GRAND AVE**

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 June 04, 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

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