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Minutes - Final Legislative Hearings

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Room 330 City Hall & Court House

9:00 a.m. Hearings

Remove/Repair Orders

- 1 [RLH RR 14-27](#) Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 699 HAWTHORNE AVENUE EAST within fifteen (15) days after the February 4, 2015, City Council Public Hearing. (To be referred to Legislative Hearing on February 10, 2015; Council Public Hearing to be continued to February 18, 2015)

Sponsors: Bostrom

Dave Mortensen, Esq., Wilford, Geske & Cook, appeared representing mortgage holder and fee owner, US Bank and HUD; (it's a FHA loan and a HUD property; they have interest in property, although not currently on title; that will be forthcoming)

Mr. Mortensen:

- received the code compliance inspection report Jan 21, 2015 and got it to his client that afternoon*
- his client is ready to sign the affidavit; they've begun the bids; just need the bid amounts*
- spoke with the representative whose doing the bids; he couldn't get them to him this a.m.; they've had 5 contractors/subcontractors at the property going thru the list and getting the bids completed*
- they posted the performance deposit Jan 9, 2015*
- he got someone out to clear the snow on Jan 13, 2015*
- the taxes have been paid*
- client has up to \$50,000 - \$60,000 for the project; will be entering the affidavit*
- the bids will be in about 7-8 days*
- would appreciate a Layover*

Ms. Moermond:

- at the City Council Public Hearing Feb 4, 2015; she will ask them to Lay this Over to Feb 18, 2015*
- she wants to review the plans and timelines with Mr. Mortensen at the Feb 10, 2015 LH*

Supervisor Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings:

- email the bids to LH Officer as soon as possible so that they can review them*

Ms. Moermond:

Referred to Legislative Hearing on February 10; Council Public Hearing continued to February 18.

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/4/2015

- 2 [RLH RR 14-15](#) Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 1164 MINNEHAHA AVENUE WEST within fifteen (15) days after the August 20, 2014, City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from August 20, September 17 and December 3, 2014) (To be referred back to Legislative Hearing on April 28, 2015 and City Council Public Hearing on May 20, 2015)

Sponsors: Stark

No one appeared.

Ms. Moermond:

- *it is still HUD owned*
 - *is not seeing Duane Erlien from Highpointe Realty*
 - *there's not much we can do when the federal government is in possession of the property*
 - *imagines that they will stick someone with it without telling them that there's an Order to Remove it (their mode of operation)*
 - *will LAY this OVER for another 90 days to see if something shakes loose*
- Referred to Legislative Hearing on April 28; Council Public Hearing continued to May 20, 2015.*

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015

- 3 [RLH RR 14-12](#) Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 391 VIEW STREET within fifteen (15) days after the July 23, 2014, City Council Public Hearing. (Public hearing continued from January 7)

Sponsors: Thune

No one appeared.

Supervisor Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings:

- *we still don't know how we want to proceed with this one*
- *having had a couple conversations with people from the neighborhood, they are still interested in wanting someone to try to save the house*
- *Fort Road Federation would also like to see the house saved*
- *the mortgage company hasn't responded to anything that the city has done*
- *we have a deceased owner; the heir don't seem to be interested in doing a probate*
- *the property won't tax forfeit until July 2017*
- *an option talked about previously was to seek a claim against the property to expedite a forfeiture to Ramsey County (he thinks that's the city's best avenue for expedition; he doesn't believe that anyone else is going to step forward with an ownership interest)*
- *the concern of the City Attorney, representing DSI, in this case, is that if we sought a claim to expedite a forfeiture, the heirs might come in and just pay the taxes; hopefully, then, we might be able to get them to this forum; however, he doesn't think that will happen; he thinks that the heirs have abandoned this property*

Ms. Moermond:

- *we need to get a report from Fort Road to find out if there's any concrete action*

steps taken that she can report to the City Council to give her grounds to recommend a layover

- she will email Betty and Ed at Fort Road

Mr. Magner:

- thinks that Fort Road would be interested in a project like this; however, he believes that it really starts with DSI's attorney filing that claim and going to court

Ms. Moermond:

- will go to City Council Public Hearing Feb 4, 2015

- need to set up a meeting with counsel

Follow-Up: spoke with Ed Johnson at Fort Road Federation and they are exploring possibility of bank transferring its interest to them. With that consideration, as well as needing to work with CAO, recommend 60 day layover for LH and CPH. March 31, 2015 LH and April 15, 2015 CPH.

Recommendation is forthcoming.

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/4/2015

4 [RLH RR 14-28](#)

Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 353 WHEELOCK PARKWAY WEST within fifteen (15) days after the February 4, 2015, City Council Public Hearing. (To be referred to Legislative Hearing on February 10, 2015; Council Public Hearing to be continued to March 4, 2015)

Sponsors: Brendmoen

Wendy Forster, owner, appeared along Michael Schleishman, Attorney representing Ocwen Loan Servicing.

Ms. Forster:

- have not yet received the code compliance inspection

- left the lock box combination on Jim Seeger's voice mail this weekend

- no one seems to know who installed the lock box that was there up until now

Mr. Schleishman:

- his client is waiting on the sidelines to see what takes place

- Ms. Forster seems to want to re-instate the mortgage and move forward with the issues with the property

Ms. Moermond:

- she can't go further without that code compliance inspection being completed

- after the code compliance report comes in, you need to develop a work plan;

perhaps a general contractor could come in a do a preliminary work plan or construction statement by obtaining bids for the work; Ms. Moermond needs to see evidence that you have the money set aside to do that work

- she will give inspectors another call to expedite the inspection

- you need to do the cost analysis to see if rehab is cost effective for you

- would like to get a progress report in 2 weeks, Feb 10, 2015; then, you will have a better idea of what the project will cost

- at the Feb 4 City Council Public Hearing, she will ask them to Lay this Over for 1 month to Mar 4, 2015

- Ms. Forster does not need to attend the Feb 4 CCPH

- will discuss this again on Feb 10 LH

- wants to wrap this up by Feb 24 or sooner

Ms. Mai Vang:

- she will email Ms. Forster and Mr. Scheishman the code compliance inspection report

Ms. Moermond:

Referred to Legislative Hearing on February 10; Council Public Hearing continued to March 4.

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/4/2015

5 [RLH RR 15-1](#)

Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 424 GOODRICH AVENUE within five (5) days after the February 18, 2015, City Council Public Hearing.

Sponsors: Thune

Mike Hellum, property manager, Al-x Preservation, appeared.

- they take care of properties for US Bank thru Five Brothers

Ms. Moermond:

- usually we'd see a representative from the bank

Supervisor Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings:

-The building is a two-story, wood frame duplex, with a detached utility shed, on a lot of 4,462 square feet. According to our files, it has been a vacant building since July 30, 2014.

-The current property owner is Dennis R. Johnson per AMANDA and Ramsey County Property records.

-On November 12, 2014, an inspection of the building was conducted, a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance condition was developed and photographs were taken. An ORDER TO ABATE A NUISANCE BUILDING was posted on November 26, 2014 with a compliance date of December 26, 2014. As of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance as defined by the legislative code.

-Taxation has placed an estimated market value of \$20,000 on the land and \$66,200 on the building.

-Real estate taxes for 2014 are delinquent in the amount of \$354.08, which includes penalty and interest.

-The Vacant Building registration fees were paid by assessment on January 2, 2015.

-As of January 26, 2015, a Code Compliance Inspection has not been done.

-As of January 26, 2015, the \$5,000 performance deposit has not been posted.

-There was one (1) SUMMARY ABATEMENT NOTICE in 2014; no WORK ORDERS have been issued.

-Code Enforcement Officers estimate the cost to repair this structure is \$75,000 to \$90,000. The estimated cost to demolish exceeds \$15,000.

-DSI, Division of Code Enforcement Resolution submitted for consideration orders the property owner to repair or remove this structure within fifteen (15) days; if not the resolution authorizes the Division of Code Enforcement to demolish and assess the costs to the property.

- it's a fire damaged property; don't know if they can do a survey on this

- entered the Fire Report (\$214,400 property damage estimate)

Amy Spong, Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC):

- 1907 originally built as a wood frame house with a one-story front porch; the roof is still present but it looks like all of the supports have been changed out

- originally, a wood clapboard house; new windows and front door over the years
- original owner was Marie Neihagen
- in West Seventh Neighborhood
- historic survey done in 2011; 1983
- in 1983, property was not noted; there was a very large historic district being recommended, which this house would have been in but the 2011 survey did not identify this particular area as a potential historic district; and because of that demolition would not have an adverse effect
- the fire appears to have destroyed the whole back portion of the house
- noted: SHPO says construction date is 1904; determined that no property would be affected by this property's demolition (re: national register)

Mr. Hellum:

- he is here to give this information to Five Brothers and they can forward it to US Bank

Ms. Moermond:

- there is no code compliance inspection; no performance deposit
 - there's delinquent taxes for part of 2014 and extremely high cost associated with the rehab
 - it doesn't look as though this one should be saved and is not seeing anyone who wants to save it
 - lacking any other information, she will recommend that this building be removed within 5 days
- Remove within 5 days with no option for repair.

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015

6 [RLH RR 15-2](#)

Ordering the razing and removal of the structures at 210 GRAND AVENUE within ninety (90) days after the February 18, 2015, City Council Public Hearing.

Sponsors: Thune

Imran Khan, owner, appeared.

Supervisor Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings:

-The building is a one-story, wood frame, commercial building on a lot of 1,307 square feet. According to our files, it has been a vacant building since September 26, 2012.

-The current property owner is Imran Kahn and Alison Kahn per AMANDA and Ramsey County Property records.

-On October 23, 2014, an inspection of the building was conducted, a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance condition was developed and photographs were taken. An ORDER TO ABATE A NUISANCE BUILDING was posted on October 31, 2014 with a compliance date of November 30, 2014. As of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance as defined by the legislative code.

-Taxation has placed an estimated market value of \$19,600 on the land and \$6,200 on the building.

-Real estate taxes for 2014 are delinquent in the amount of \$2,896.74, which includes penalty and interest.

-The Vacant Building registration fees were paid by assessment on December 1, 2014.

-As of January 26, 2015, a Code Compliance Inspection has not been done; the building has been totally gutted, therefore, a Team Inspection is not required, provided that plans are submitted.

- As of January 26, 2015, the \$5,000 performance deposit has not been posted.
- There have been two (2) SUMMARY ABATEMENT NOTICES since 2012.
- There has been one (1) WORK ORDER issued for: Snow/ice
- Code Enforcement Officers estimate the cost to repair this structure is \$60,000 to \$70,000. The estimated cost to demolish is \$6,000 to \$8,000.
- DSI, Division of Code Enforcement Resolution submitted for consideration orders the property owner to repair or remove this structure within fifteen (15) days; if not the resolution authorizes the Division of Code Enforcement to demolish and assess the costs to the property.
- DSI has received a set of plans; they defer to the building official after they review the plans, to see if they want an additional inspection

Amy Spong, Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC):

- 1898 building
- has vinyl siding and windows have all been changed
- have Sanborn Maps; this has always been a store
- originally, this parcel had 4 principle structures and 2 accessory structures' it went all the way up to the alley and was originally Ramsey St, then, Smith
- the only other historic structure left is the old engine house building
- there's a major change of context with the hospitals and their development
- has had a lot of alterations
- there's no basement
- her intern said that this store was originally used a milk store or distribution store, associated with a creamery just down the street
- one of the last remaining buildings in this area aside from the Engine House that's attached to the Kraus Field Kraus Construction building, which is also empty
- demolition would probably not have an adverse effect; there's not much that beckons to it's historic character; the billboards also impact that character negatively

Mr. Kahn:

- he has to wait until they demolish the building so he can build a new building; and they need to wait until the temperature reaches a certain degrees before they can tap the sewer line in order for the demo to happen; probably April
- the day care project took so much long than he thought it would
- they are ready to go; has structural engineering plans for a restaurant: build it up 30 feet to have a cool building with steel siding and make it artistic, open for breakfast; beer and wine with 50 seats or fewer; hospital friendly - cater prices to nursing staff

Ms. Moermond:

- she is not worried about the redevelopment of the parcel
- she is worried about the abating of the nuisance condition; to demolish the building, in this case

Mr. Magner:

- they routinely do demolitions in the winter
- the sewer issue there, he assumes, is that this building has a sand rock sewer, different from the rest of the city
- for the demolition, Mr. Kahn just needs to supply DSI with a copy of the contract with their contractor, including time frames

Mr. Kahn:

- a year ago, they met with Public Works and they had a checklist of things surrounding a demo and one of the things was about capping the sewer line

Mr. Magner:

- suggested Mr. Kahn talk with his contractor and have him work directly with the

sewer dept

Mr. Kahn:

- when they did the research, there were only 2 companies in the area that could do a job like this and one of their requirements was that it had to be a certain temperature

Mr. Magner:

- he just needs to know where they are at; need documentation
- get all info, etc. to the hearing officer and she will make a recommendation to City Council

Ms. Moermond:

- will recommend granting 90 days to Remove the structure; if not done, the city will take care of it
Remove the building within 90 days (May 1, 2015).

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015

7 [RLH RR 15-3](#)

Ordering the rehabilitation or razing and removal of the structures at 600 IDAHO AVENUE EAST within fifteen (15) days after the February 18, 2015, City Council Public Hearing.

Sponsors: Bostrom

Gary Evers, Attorney, Shapiro & Zielke, LLP, appeared.

- a foreclosure file started started by Peterson Fram & Bergman has been referred to them and he's not sure what's going on
- apparently, an inspector by the name of Joe got a hold of Bayview Properties in Florida yesterday
- mortgage holder is Bank of New York Mellon

Supervisor Steve Magner, Vacant Buildings:

-The building is a one-story, wood frame, single-family dwelling, with a detached two-stall garage and an accessory shed, on a lot of 7,405 square feet. -According to our files, it has been a vacant building since December 21, 2010.
-The current property owner is Ge Vang per AMANDA and Ramsey County Property records.

-On October 22, 2014, an inspection of the building was conducted, a list of deficiencies which constitute a nuisance condition was developed and photographs were taken. An ORDER TO ABATE A NUISANCE BUILDING was posted on November 3, 2014 with a compliance date of December 3, 2014. As of this date, the property remains in a condition which comprises a nuisance as defined by the legislative code.

-Taxation has placed an estimated market value of \$16,700 on the land and \$58,300 on the building.

-Real estate taxes are current.

-The Vacant Building registration fees were paid by assessment on January 2, 2015.

-As of January 26, 2015, a Code Compliance Inspection has not been done.

-As of January 26, 2015, the \$5,000 performance deposit has not been posted.

-There have been ten (10) SUMMARY ABATEMENT NOTICES since 2010.

-There have been twelve (12) WORK ORDERS issued for: Garbage/rubbish;
Boarding/securing; Tall grass/weeds

-Code Enforcement Officers estimate the cost to repair this structure exceeds \$50,000. The estimated cost to demolish exceeds \$12,000.

-DSI, Division of Code Enforcement Resolution submitted for consideration orders the property owner to repair or remove this structure within fifteen (15) days; if not the resolution authorizes the Division of Code Enforcement to demolish and assess the

costs to the property.

- believes that their office received a phone call and Mr. Yannarely returned that call with the information; it's possible that someone had seen the Notice on the door; they contacted us and we reached back out to them with the hearing dates
- they show that they mailed to Ge Vang; MERS; sent certified to Bayview Loan Servicing LLC and Peterson Fram & Bergman

Ms. Moermond:

- has updated interior photos but outdated exterior photos; asked for an updated set of photos

Amy Spong, Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC):

- built 1952; 2 story, looks like a saltbox house with a side gabled roof
- 1983 historic survey; this house was too young to be considered for any historic significance
- this area was not part of the Payne Phalen 2011 survey; it's outside the boundary
- hasn't been fully evaluated
- it had wide lap siding and some original windows
- demolition would not have an adverse effect
- it's representative of the area
- SHPO: no properties are eligible or will be affected by this demolition if it goes through
- no other historic features on the property
- at this time, no one was keeping permit index cards

Ms. Moermond:

- has 2 exterior photos that tell different stories: 1) front of the house; and 2) back of the house
- looking at the long list and the severity of items on the last Certificate of Occupancy Inspection list, it looks like a Condemnation

Mr. Magner:

- explained that this is really a one-story house with an expanded attice in the rear, looking from the side profile
- Condemnation, yes: water, gas, electric was shut off; sanitation issues, rodents, chimney, roof, walls, etc.

Mr. Evers:

- he is not sure what this meeting is for
- is this to recommend a Condemnation and a tear down or what are we doing today

Ms. Moermond:

- today, we are talking about removing or repairing the structure; preliminary to the matter going in front of the City Council
- she normally looks for a work plan, money to do the rehab, code compliance inspection, etc.
- then, she would recommend either time for the rehab or removal

Mr. Evers:

- requests a couple weeks to get the lender to make a decision
- he is here to get the facts together so he can respond

Ms. Moermond:

- Bayview signed for certified mail from the city Dec 26, 2014
- will email Mr. Evers the documents we have

- give you 2 weeks, Feb 10, 2015 LH to come back with a response
- asked for a performance deposit and an application for a code compliance inspection if they want to rehab it
Recommendation is forthcoming.

Laid Over to the Legislative Hearings due back on 2/10/2015

11:00 a.m. Hearings

Summary Abatement Orders

- 8 [RLH SAO 15-5](#) Appeal of Jovon Preston to a Summary Abatement Order at 25 GEORGE STREET WEST.
- Sponsors:** Thune
- Jovon Preston, owner, appeared.*
- Inspector John Peter Ross:*
- this was a field find by Inspector Mark Kaisersatt on Jan 9, 2015
 - Summary Abatement issued Jan 9; compliance Jan 16;
 - remove full bagster, bags of garbage on ground and old refrigerator, taped up
 - appeal was filed
 - no photos taken by Mr. Kaisersatt; he took some photos yesterday: bagster in front yard and a refrigerator in the back
- Mr. Preston:*
- he appealed because he needed more time to move the bag; it's not full yet and it doesn't meet the weight requirement to have Waste Management come to remove it (\$100 to remove it)
- Ms. Moermond:*
- she has never heard that a weight requirement must be met before they will come to remove it
 - it's a terrible nuisance and it won't be allowed to stay; it's gotta go now, along with the refrigerator
 - deadline for compliance: Noon Jan 29, 2015
- Mr. Preston:*
- he will schedule to have the bagster removed today.
- Ms. Moermond:*
- an inspector will come to check on this the afternoon of Jan 29 and if it's not gone by then, a city crew will come to clean it up
 - Grant until Thursday, January 29, 2015 for compliance.
- Referred to the City Council due back on 2/4/2015**

1:30 p.m. Hearings

Fire Certificates of Occupancy

- 9 [RLH FCO 15-11](#) Appeal of Ronald O. Christenson to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 1406 HAZEL STREET NORTH.

Sponsors: Bostrom

Ronald O. Christenson, owner, appeared.

Mr. Christenson:

- *this is a continuing issue*
- *a few years ago he had his first inspection and it had incorrect measurements of the basement ceiling height; Inspector Shaff suggested a re-measure*
- *second inspection took place Jan 8, 2015 and the current ceiling height was determined: 6' 4 1/2"*
- *it's a suspended drop ceiling*

Ms. Moermond:

- *for basement bedroom space, that's not high enough*

Mr. Christenson:

- *it's 6'8" from the floor to the bottom of the joist; he could tear the suspended ceiling out*
- *the house is listed as a 4-bedroom in Ramsey Co records; insurance charges it as a 4-bedroom*
- *he doesn't want to tear out the ceiling if there's no reason to do so*

Fire Supervisor Leanna Shaff:

- *this was at LH almost 4 years ago; at that time, the hearing officer denied the basement use as sleeping space*
- *Inspector Gaulke performed the inspection Jan 8, 2015; Inspector Niemeyer helped him with the measurements*
- *he found 6 items*
- *the highest ceiling measurement was found to be 6'4 1/2"*
- *Mr. Christenson can have a laundry room, TV room, den, bathroom; just no bedroom; no sleeping area*

Mr. Christenson:

- *if he removed the suspended ceiling, he'd have 9 more inches*

Ms. Shaff:

- *you'd still have the head banging on the rafters for taller individuals*

Ms. Moermond:

- *6'4 1/2" won't cut the mustard; even 6' 8" would be borderline*
- *is comfortable saying the basement can be used for a laundry room, bathroom, TV room, den,,,,, but no sleeping/no beds*

Ms. Shaff:

- *you can put it into your lease that the basement cannot be used for sleeping; can't have a bed down there*

Ms. Moermond:

- *do a lease addendum to what you have now*
- *you have to rent it as a 3-bedroom house now*
- *Deny the appeal on the ceiling height issue, which was Council's determination 4 years ago.*

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015

10 [RLH FCO
14-179](#)

Appeal of Delores Caldwell to a Fire Inspection Correction Notice at 1867 MARYLAND AVENUE.

Sponsors: Bostrom

Delores Caldwell, owner, appeared.

Fire Supervisor Leanna Shaff:

- updated information: Jan 12, 2015, she met with Ms. Caldwell; they went through both units
- added some items to the list:
- lower unit: kitchen ceiling needs to be scraped and painted;
- upper unit: bathroom flooring needs to be installed, impervious to water
- house and garage have chipped and peeling paint
- some window glass needs to be fixed
- handrails on front stairs at sidewalk; rear stairs to the upper unit; stairs to the front porch
- tenant in lower unit has his trailer parked in the rear yard; needs to be moved; he had an extension cord running to it; he unplugged it while she was there; he said that he was planning to buy his own place in Sep
- she told them that a reinspection would be made through the LH officer's instructions resulting from the hearing on Jan 27, 2015

Ms. Caldwell:

- exterior scraping and painting cannot be done during winter
- tenant's enclosed trailer: he thought that he could park his trailer there; doesn't know if it's possible to extend it to when his lease is up at the end of Aug 2015; there's not a driveway and it won't fit behind the garage

Ms. Moermond:

- the trailer can't be parked in the yard; options: 1) could put down an approved parking surface in the spring; plan needs to go through site plan review at DSI; 2) could move the vehicle to another site
- the interior items look pretty straight forward; scraping and painting of the ceiling is a little more involved

Ms. Shaff:

- there's a lot going on in the inside; 1-2 months won't be unreasonable

Ms. Moermond:

- deadline of Apr 1, 2015: all done except for the exterior scraping and painting, which will have a Jul 1, 2015 deadline, along with the trailer
- the tenant may need to rent a space for the trailer for a couple of months; if, however, we get a complaint on the trailer, we will have to re-visit it

Ms. Caldwell:

- there's considerable deterioration on the exterior of the house; she's not sure that she will be able, financially, to take care of all of it by Jul 1, 2015

Ms. Shaff:

- there's a lot of chipped and peeling paint; the soffit and fascia need work - some repair and some replacing damaged pieces, rather extensive

Ms. Moermond:

- you will have to figure out the finances on the exterior of the house; contact a non-profit, try North East Neighborhood Development Corporation
- Grant an extension until April 1, 2015 for all items with the exception of the trailer and

exterior painting on house and garage which is granted until July 1, 2015.

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015

- 11 [RLH FCO 15-6](#) Appeal of Susan Bushard to a Re-Inspection Fire Certificate of Occupancy with Deficiencies at 426 WABASHA STREET SOUTH.

Sponsors: Thune

Paul Hempel, Vice President, Northern Philatelic Library, appeared.

Mr. Hempel:

- Ms. Bushard and he thought that the architectural plans were among Mr. Bushard's things but they weren't; at least, they weren't found; Mr. Bushard had spoken with Zoning or someone at DSI and they had thought it was a great idea*
- he came to the desk where he, Ms. Shaff and Ms. Moermond discussed Mr. Hempel's drawing of the library area; he explained where things were and where the 2nd egress was to be located*
- the ceilings in the finished area still need to be made fire-rated*

Fire Supervisor Leanna Shaff:

- this is a good sized project*
- explained that the 2nd egress needs to be engineered and must be code compliant; a code analysis must be done*
- the plan has to go through plan review and it's the building division of DSI needs to approve the plans; submit 2 plans to DSI, 2nd floor, 375 Jackson St; it's all part of the permit process*

Mr. Hempel:

- he knows that the architectural plans are done; however, they have not been fully paid for; Ms. Bushard will need to take care of that*
- they have a contractor*
- the whole area has 10-ft ceilings*
- explained that most people/work area is very near the main entrance*
- no one is there during the week, except for maybe, the maintenance guy*

Ms. Moermond:

- until the project is done, there will be a 3 occupant limit in the library*
- Appeal denied - determination to be made by Zoning with approval plans. In the meantime, only three (3) occupants are allowed in the library space at one time.*

Referred to the City Council due back on 2/18/2015