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**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2024 1:31 PM  
**To:** Joanna Zimny  
**Cc:** Mai Vang; Elizabeth J. Ranweiler  
**Subject:** RE: 293 Burlington

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Ms. Zimny:

I plan to have Thomas G Cran, owner of the property, testify via phone if he is able, which I will confirm.

Cell: 651-402-9824 (preferred number)

Please copy my assistant, Elizabeth, on all correspondence/emails. Thanks.

Thanks again.

Robert E. McGarry

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To clarify, you don't need to register anyone for Legislative Hearing, you just need to provide phone numbers; we simply call them in (no zoom or video).

Thanks,  
Joanna

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Ms. Zimny:

Thank you. I will inform my clients and we will register Tom Cran for phone testimony.

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**Subject:** RE: 293 Burlington  
**Importance:** High

Good morning all,

I've spoken with the Legislative Hearing Officer, and at the Council Public Hearing on Wednesday, she will ask the Council to refer this back to **Legislative Hearing on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 via phone between 1:30 and 3:30 pm (or in person at 1:30 pm in room 300)** so everyone can have a discussion about facts/logistics/requirements etc.

This will be done without discussion on Weds, so there is no need for anyone to attend.

We need to confirm any names and phone numbers of people you wish to be called into this hearing that afternoon (Mr. James Cran, we have yours). If that doesn't work with schedules, please let me know and we can look at a different date (hearings are only Tuesdays).

Thanks,  
Joanna



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**Subject:** RE: (293 Burlington) FW: Documentation/ Dads lawyer ,

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Ms. Zimny:

As you know, I represent Thomas Cran, owner of the involved property. We intend to attend the 8/21/24 hearing and present to the council facts showing that my client is moving to place the property on the market and has already done extensive improvements to prepare the property for sale. He has also engaged a realtor.

FYI, as I think we both suspected, my client was not aware of this situation until yesterday. He fully intends to comply with city regulations regarding the property.


My client's Attorney In Fact under a Power of Attorney, his daughter, Christine Oehlien, will attend on his behalf and I plan to register Mr. Cran to testify via phone if he is able. Despite whatever the occupant has alluded to, my client has full mental capacity. I also plan to attend the hearing.

I can try to submit the documentary evidence showing sale preparation online if that option is available though I did not see that option in the paperwork you sent.

Mr. Cran thanks you for your email of yesterday and appreciates your dedicated work on behalf of the residents and taxpayers of St. Paul.

Please copy my assistant, Elizabeth, on all correspondence/emails. Thanks.

Robert E. McGarry

  
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**Subject:** (293 Burlington) FW: Documentation/ Dads lawyer ,

Good morning Mr. McGarry,

I found contact information online after Mr. Cran sent us the letter below, and thought it prudent to forward you this information as a rep of the property owner for 293 Burlington. The property has current orders on it to get a Fire Certificate of Occupancy for the property or vacate, as it is not owner-occupied.

I've attached a packet with the appeal information as well as minutes from the hearings.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,  
Joanna



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**Subject:** RE: Documentation/ Dads lawyer ,

Good morning Mr. Cran,

I've conferred with staff and unfortunately that letter doesn't suffice. If you don't have legal possession of the property at this time, you need to either have your name put on the title or your father needs to have a [Fire Certificate of Occupancy](#) for the property since it is not owner-occupied. I'm sure if your father is willing and able to at least submit the provisional Fire Certificate of Occupancy application before the Council Public Hearing Ms. Moermond would consider allowing time for that inspection to occur, but without those things the property needs to be vacated.

The City cannot simply allow you to continue to occupy indefinitely while you wait for your father to pass away(my apologies for putting it so bluntly).

Please refer to my August 9 letter should you wish to testify this recommendation on August 21.

Thank you,

Joanna



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**Subject:** Documention/ Dads lawyer ,

I received this letter after discussing with family members about my situation and that my (Son ) that my father and sister do not care for ...as he has cost me some problems with my family over past years and my father has/had his reasons so I immediately had him move to his moms .. in lindstrom Mn.,wen he got out prison.near the end of March /April of this year../.and he did stay the first week here with me,.. since then I am the only person that has been residing at house, at 293 Burlington rd ,The contractors where able to get into the house , to do repairs , and paint and carpet some of the rooms to be done,

As I previously mentioned that the house will reside back to my sister and myself in my father's passing..

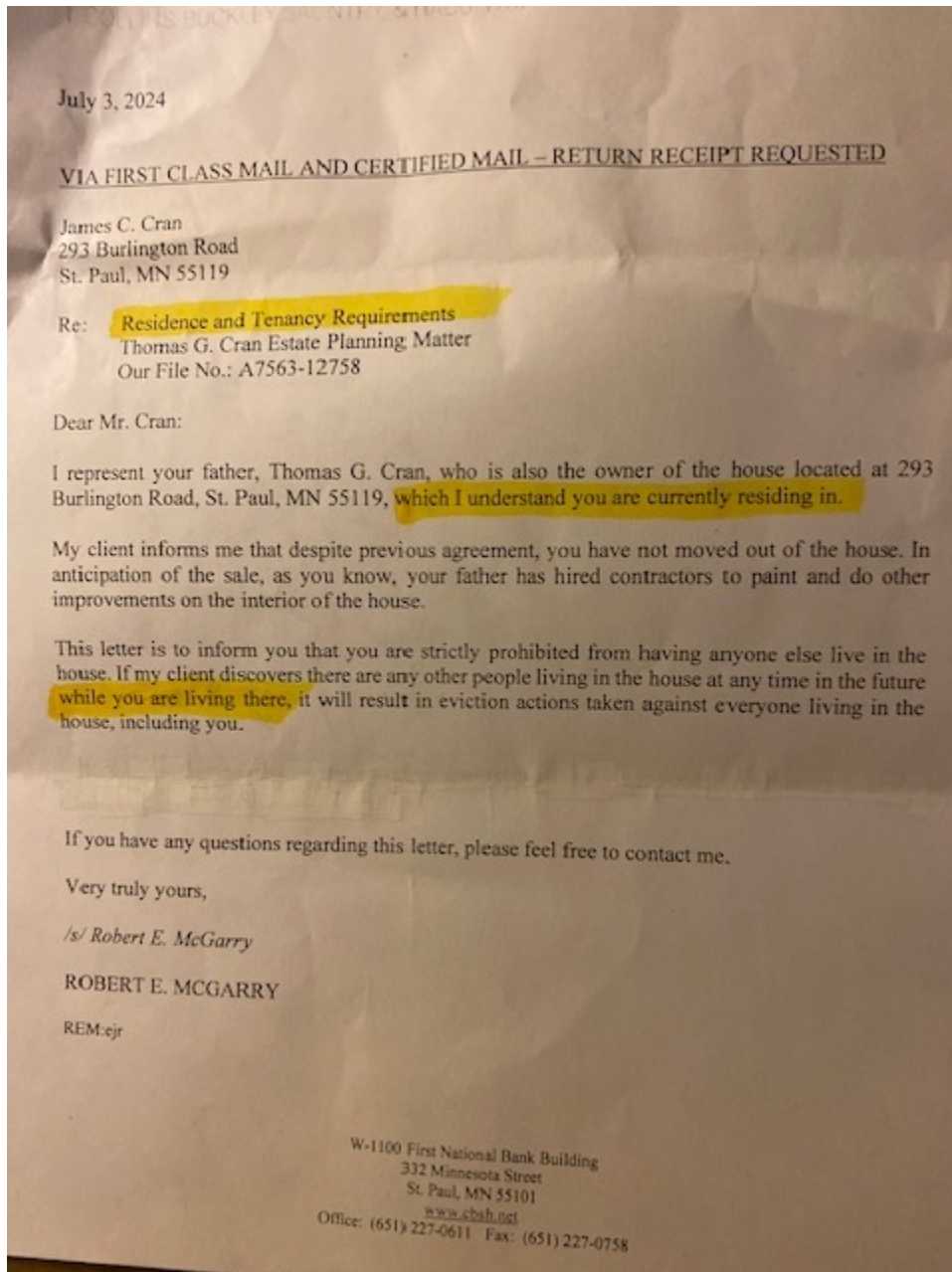
He is or will be 87 yrs old on Oct 6th &Needs 24 hr care as he has limited mobility at this time & currently...resides @

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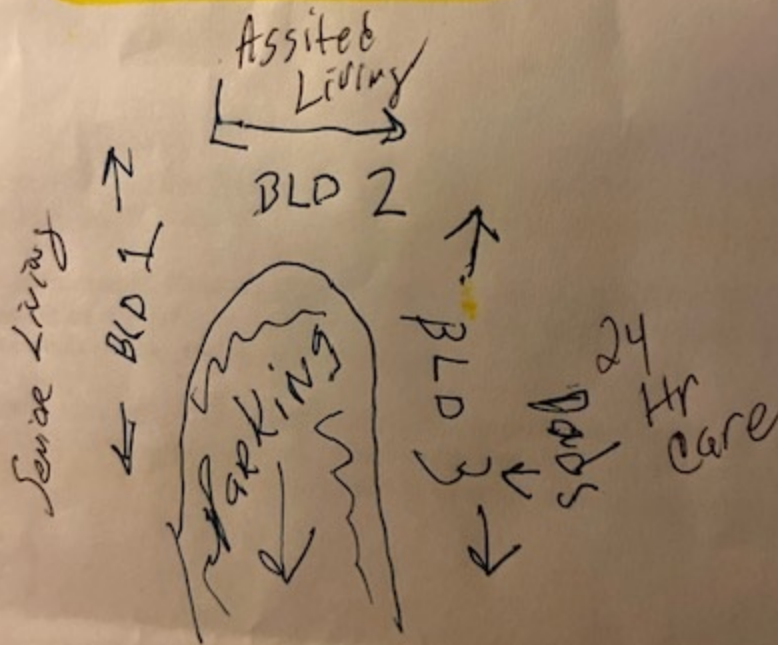
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So I may adress the lawyer  
With the proper information...

Thank you  
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