APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

Saint Paul City Council – Legislative Hearings

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 345851)
- ☒ 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, March 21
Time 130 PM
Location of Hearing:
Room 330 City Hall/Courthouse

Address Being Appealed:

Number & Street: 506-510 N. Snelling Av. City: St. Paul State: MN Zip: 55104

Appellant/Applicant: Atnafu Yeshidagne Email ATNAFU2001@G.Mail.com

Phone Numbers: Business 651-646-4747 Residence _____ Cell 612-408-4098

Signature: _____ Date: 3/13/23

Name of Owner (if other than Appellant): Atnafu Yeshidagne & Menderina Gebretsadik

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.)

Olson Sheet Metal Company Never Came the fix the Exhost pipe. I need More time to get it fix by another Company.

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SAFETY & INSPECTIONS

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Building Inspector
11 am Wed
3/15/23

March 10, 2023

FASIKA INC.
510 SNELLING AVE N
ST PAUL MN 55104-2329

Revocation of Fire Certificate of Occupancy and Order to Vacate

RE: 506 SNELLING AVE N
Ref. # 12289

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on March 9, 2023. Due to long-term non-compliance with MN State Fire Code and MN State Building Codes, it has become necessary to revoke the Certificate of Occupancy.

A review of the building shall be conducted on March 24, 2023, at 11:00 AM to verify the building is vacated and will be referred to St. Paul Vacant Buildings division for monitoring.

Saint Paul Legislative Code provides that no building shall be occupied without a Certificate of Occupancy. In order to re-occupy the building, the following deficiencies (if applicable) must be corrected, and a complete Certificate of Occupancy inspection will be required.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. Interior - 506-510 Snelling Avenue - SPLC 40. Grounds for Pending Revocation. The fire code official may issue a notice to the owner(s) and known interested parties of the city's suspension or revocation of a fire certificate of occupancy issued under the provisions of this code if it is found upon inspection by the fire code official that the building or occupancy is in violation of provisions of this or other applicable safety codes, ordinances, rules and regulations. The commercial building occupancy, or portion thereof, shall not again be used or occupied until such time as the said certificate is issued or renewed or suspension lifted following inspection and a determination by the fire code official that the commercial building occupancy, or portion thereof, is in compliance with applicable safety codes. **The suspension, revocation, or denial may be appealed to the legislative hearing officer within ten (10) days of this issuance.**
Building has been posted for revocation of the Fire Certificate of Occupancy for the deficiencies in this report and the following issues (continued next page):

-Construction in the non-certified portions (506) of the building , walls and ceiling closed up no building inspections to date.
-Electrical wiring in this area is not to code and there are no permits for this work.
-Single air conditioning unit located on the exterior of the building installed without permit or inspection.
-Commercial kitchen ductwork (exterior of building) failed, and property owner has performed work on the system that does not meet current code requirements. Grease from this assembly continues to leak from seams in ductwork and accumulate on the ground below the ductwork attracting pests. A black iron piping run from the exhaust fan to a metal bucket on the ground is used as grease collection.
-Multiple windows and doors in the building have been boarded, some windows are boarded even while open with no plan to repair or replace.

2. Interior - Interior of 506-508 Snelling Avenue - MSFC 703.1, 704.1 - Repair and maintain the required fire resistive construction with approved materials and methods. This work will require a licensed contractor to submit plans for the vacant space and apply for a building permit(s) . Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
Property owner has installed gypsum board to interior walls, taped, mudded, painted. Finished floor going in, dropped ceiling in place-no inspections of this building or comments to permit recorded as of March 9, 2023.

3. 506 Suite - Entire 1st and Second Floor - SPLC 40.06 - Uncertified portions of the building must not be occupied until inspected and approved by this office.
This area of the building is uncertified for occupancy and must be inspected and approved prior to any use of this space. Contact DSI Fire Inspector at (651)266-8989 to arrange for inspection and approval.

4. 508 Suite - 2nd Floor - SPLC 40.06 - Uncertified portions of the building must not be occupied until inspected and approved by this office.
This area of the building is uncertified for occupancy and must be inspected and approved prior to any use of this space. Contact DSI Fire Inspector at (651)266-8989 to arrange for inspection and approval.

5. Exterior - At Back Door-along south wall - MSFC 312.2 Vehicle impact protection posts. Guard posts shall comply with the following: 1. Constructed of steel not less than 4 inches in diameter and concrete filled; 2. Spaced not more than 4 feet between posts on center; 3. Set not less than 3 feet deep in a concrete footing of not less than a 15-inch diameter; 4. Set with the top of the posts not less than 3 feet above ground; 5. Located not less than 3 feet from protected object.
When asked at meeting on-site, property owner admitted to installing the posts himself at a 2-foot depth. Posts are required to be installed where mechanical equipment is subject to potential impact from vehicles. No building permit or inspection record as of March 9, 2023 for the installation of bollards (posts) to protect mechanical equipment.

6. Interior - Ansul System Inspection - MSFC 904.12.5.2 - Provide required six-month service of the hood and duct fire suppression system. Provide documentation from qualified contractor.
Due every 6 months, No service of the fire extinguishing system since April 2022.

7. Interior- 506 - Electrical Outlets - MSFC 604.1 - Repair or replace damaged electrical fixtures. This work requires a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
Out of 4 outlets identified in the space, two are full of sheetrock mud; one GFCI appears new, but painted over along with fourth outlet.

8. Interior- 506 - Finished Space - MSFC 603.5.3 - Provide clearance around all heating equipment.
Heater hanging from ceiling with new dropped ceiling tiles all around it. Cannot confirm if it works.

9. Interior- 506 - Hanging Heat Plant - SPLC 34.11 (6), 34.35 (3) - Provide service of heating facility by a licensed contractor which must include a carbon monoxide test. Submit a completed copy of the Existing Fuel Burning Equipment Safety Test Report to this office.
Provide a copy of the ORSAT testing for formerly vacant space prior to use of this space. Any corrections to unit need to be documented.

10. Kitchen - Hood Ductwork - MSFC 607.2 - Provide an approved hood and duct ventilation system to remove the grease laden vapors. This work will require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
No proposal, no plans, no permit, no work done on the ventilation for the cooking equipment to correct grease accumulations on ground or building as of March 9, 2023.
Repair damaged and disconnected duct supports on vertical duct run.
Ductwork appears to have penetrations into duct for the support from building and is leaking grease from these penetrations. Seal penetrations and re-secure ductwork to building.
Clean and/or repair the exhaust fan at base of ductwork which is completely coated in grease and leaking grease from multiple locations.
Provide approved grease collection at base of ductwork. The ground area around the rear entry is saturated with grease.
Contact licensed heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractor to evaluate the ventilation system for the restaurant and submit plans to the St. Paul Building Plan Review for corrections to the system and a permit to bring the ventilation system into compliance.

Saint Paul Legislative Code authorizes this inspection and collection of inspection fees. For forms, fee schedule, inspection handouts, or information on some of the violations contained in this report, please visit our web page at: http://www.stpaul.gov/cofo

You have the right to appeal these orders to the Legislative Hearing Officer. Applications for appeals may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, 310 City Hall, City/County Courthouse, 15 W Kellogg Blvd, Saint Paul MN 55102 Phone: (651-266-8585) and must be filed within 10 days of the date of this order.

If you have any questions, email me at: Laura.Huseby@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8998 between 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

Laura Huseby
Fire Safety Inspector

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