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Re: Remove or Repair of the Structure at 455 Robert Street South

Dear Interested Parties:

This is to confirm at the Council Public Hearing on August 2, 2023 Legislative Hearing Officer Marcia Moermond will ask that the City Council refer the matter back to Legislative Hearing on **Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 9 am in room 330 City Hall if the \$5,000 Performance Deposit is posted and application for Code Compliance Inspection is made by no later than July 25, 2023.**

The Code Compliance & Performance deposit forms can be found online here: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/safety-inspections/vacant-buildings>. They were also sent with your June 30th letter. Please contact the Department of Safety and Inspections directly at 651-266-8989 for questions regarding the application or payment process. The code compliance application must include lock box code and box must be attached to door for use; it isn't sufficient to just apply without ability for staff to conduct the inspections.

This matter will go before the City Council at Public Hearing on **Wednesday, August 2, 2023 at 3:30 pm. in room 300 City Hall.** If you are contesting Ms. Moermond's recommendation, or do not have the above item completed by deadline, you may:

1. appear in person (please arrive before 3:30 p.m. and check in with staff outside Council chambers); or
2. **Should you wish to address Council directly but not appear in person, you must register in person by noon on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 here to testify via phone:**
<https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/city-council/city-council-public-hearing-live-testimony>.

If you don't wish to contest then no further action is needed and the Council will proceed with Ms. Moermond's recommendation above.

For your reference, the following items must (eventually) be completed before receiving a grant of time from the City Council to rehabilitate the property:

1. **submit evidence of financing sufficient to complete the rehabilitation.** Staff estimates costs to exceed \$100,000. If total for bids are more than 20% less than staff estimate, a high level of detail will be required. Financing could be business or personal accounts, a line of credit, or construction loan. Other types of financing will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis;
2. **post a \$5,000 Performance Deposit with the Department of Safety & Inspections.** This will be a requirement before the August 2, 2023 Public Hearing for any future layovers;
3. **submit an affidavit indicating the finances will be dedicated to completing the project** and not diverted until a code compliance certificate is issued; and
4. **submit work plan, sworn construction statement, or scope of work.** This should include **signed** subcontractor bids and a **schedule** for completion of the project; and
5. **the property must be maintained.**

Samples of the remaining documents will be sent at a later date, if you would like them sooner please let me know. If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-266-8585.

Sincerely,

/s/

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