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## Code Compliance Report

April 08, 2016

**\* \* This Report must be Posted  
on the Job Site \* \***

RAMSEY COUNTY - TAX FORFEIT PROPERTIES  
90 W Plato Blvd  
ST PAUL MN 55107

Re: 957 Mendota St  
File#: 10 008287 VB2

Dear Property Owner:

The following is the Code Compliance report you requested on March 15, 2016.

Please be advised that this report is accurate and correct as of the date April 08, 2016. All deficiencies identified by the City after this date must also be corrected and all codes and ordinances must be complied with. This report is valid for 365 days from April 08, 2016. This report may be used in lieu of a Truth in Housing Report required in St Paul Legislative Code 189. This building must be properly secured and the property maintained at all times.

In order to sell or reoccupy this property the following deficiencies must be corrected. A Legislative Code exemption (Chapter 33.03(f)) allows a Category 2 Vacant Building to be sold "as is" providing the buyer, prior to closing, completes an approval process. For further information, call Reid Soley at 651-266-9120.

### ZONING

1. This property is in a(n) RT1 zoning district.
2. This property was inspected as a Single Family Dwelling.

BUILDING Inspector: Jim Seeger

Phone: 651-266-9046

1. Tuck Point interior/exterior of foundation as necessary. SPLC 34.09 (1)
2. Weather seal exterior doors, threshold and weather-stripping. SPLC 34.09 (3f)
3. Install floor covering in bathroom and kitchen that is impervious to water. SPLC 34.10 (4)
4. Repair walls, ceiling and floors throughout, as necessary. SPLC 34.34 (6)
5. Prepare and paint interior and exterior as necessary. Observe necessary

- abatement procedures (EPA, MPCA and St. Paul Legislative Code, Chapter 34 for additional information) if lead base paint is present. SPLC 34.33 (1)
6. Any framing members that required repair or do not meet code (where wall and ceiling covering is removed, members that are over-spanned, over-spaced, not being carried properly, door and window openings that are not adequately supported, etc.) are to be reconstructed in an approved manner. SPLC 34.34 (1)
  7. Provide fire block construction as necessary and seal chases in basement ceiling. MNRC Ch 1309 Sect. 602.8
  8. Where wall and ceiling covering is removed install full thickness or code-specified insulation. MN Energy Code Ch. 1322.1101 (except. 4)
  9. Air-seal and insulate attic/access door. MN Energy Code Ch 1322.1102.4
  10. Install Smoke Detectors/Carbon Monoxide Detectors per MN Conservation Code and the MN Dept. of Labor and Industry: Install per code where feasible. MNRC Ch 1309 Sect 313.2.1
  11. Provide major clean-up of premises. SPLC 34.34 (4)
  12. Dry out basement and eliminate source of moisture. SPLC 34.10 (10)
  13. Install water-proof enclosure in shower area. MNRC Ch 1309 Sect. 307
  14. Repair siding, soffit, fascia, trim, etc. as necessary. SPLC 34.09 (1)
  15. Provide proper drainage around house to direct water away from foundation of house. SPLC 34.08 (2)
  16. Provide durable, dustless parking surface as specified in the zoning code. SPLC 34.08 (7)
  17. Install window wells on south side basement windows.
  18. Repair front porch supports for post , and flooring . Replace all decayed material.
  19. Jack up and level rear porch ,replace decayed material to code.
  20. Basement wet at time of inspection , correct grading.
  21. Repair basement stair treads.
  22. Install gutters on south side of house.
  23. Remove mold, mildew and moldy or water damaged materials. SPLC 34.10 (1)
  24. Repair air conditioning hole in west siding.
  25. New roof covering with no call for inspection ,roof inspection required at final inspection. Owner to supply ladder.
  26. Install handrails (34 inches - 38 inches above each nosing) and guardrails (36 inch minimum) at all stairways, and return hand rail ends into a newel post or wall per attachment. MNRC Ch 1309 Sect. 311 & 312
  27. Repair or Replace any deteriorated window sash, broken glass, sash holders, re-putty, etc as necessary. SPLC 34.09 (3)
  28. Provide complete storms and screens, in good repair for all door and window openings. SPLC 34.09 (3e)
  29. Provide functional hardware at all doors and windows. SPLC 34.09 (3f)
  30. Exit doors shall be capable of being opened from the inside, easily and without the use of a key. Remove all surface bolts. SPLC 34.09 (3h)
  31. Repair or replace damaged doors and frames as necessary, including storm

doors. SPLC 34.09 (3f)

32. A building permit is required to correct the above deficiencies. All work is to be done in a workmanship like manner. SPLC 33.03 (a)

ELECTRICAL Inspector: Peggy Schlichte

Phone: 651-266-9039

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1. Properly wire electric dryer receptacle/branch circuit/overcurrent device to current NEC.
2. Ensure/install box extensions on devices mounted in wood paneling. Article 314.20, NEC
3. Install hard-wired, battery backup, Carbon Monoxide smoke detector as specified in Chapter 58 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, and other smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors as required by the Minnesota State Building Code. SPLC 58, IRC
4. Cables, smaller than 8 AWG, run at angles on the bottom of joists in unfinished basements, shall be run in either bored holes in joists or on running boards. Article 334.15 (C), current NEC
5. Ensure/properly wire furnace to current NEC.
6. No power at time of inspection (MAIN BREAKER OFF POSITION. POWER ON MAIN LINE). Test all electrical outlets and ensure all luminaires (light fixtures) are working properly when power is restored.
7. NEC 408.41 Provide for all neutrals in panel to be on their own terminal on bar.
8. NEC 110.3(b) Ensure breakers are listed for two conductors under terminal or remove on conductor.
9. Repair the electrical service grounding conductor to the metallic water piping system. Install a conductor sized to Table 250.66 (NEC) from the electrical service to within 5' of the entrance point of the water service, and bond around the water meter. Article 250, NEC
10. Provide a complete circuit directory at service panel indicating location and use of all circuits. Article 408.4, NEC
11. Verify that fuse/circuit breaker amperage matches wire size in panel. Replace improperly sized overcurrent devices. Article 240.4, NEC
12. Close openings in service panel/junction boxes with knockout seals, breaker blanks, proper cable clamps, and/or junction box covers. Article 110.12 (A), NEC
13. Throughout -Repair or replace all broken, painted over, corroded, missing or loose receptacles, luminaires (light fixtures), switches, covers and plates to current code. Article 406.4(D) & Article 410, NEC
14. Basement -Replace electrical service panel due to excessive corrosion. Article 110.12 (B), NEC
15. Basement -Replace conduit/fittings due to excessive corrosion. Article 110.12 (B), NEC
16. Basement/Exterior(On House) -Remove and/or rewire all illegal, improper or hazardous wiring to current NEC.
17. Closets -NEC 410.16 (A) Enclose all closet fixtures to current NEC
18. Interior/Exterior(OnHouse) -Properly strap and support cables and/or conduits.

Chapter 3, NEC

19. Throughout -Check all receptacles for proper polarity (including 2-prong) and verify ground on 3-prong receptacles. Ensure all GFCI receptacles are functioning properly. Rewire and/or replace receptacles that are improperly wired or not functioning properly. Article 406.4(D), NEC
20. Throughout -NEC 406.5(D) Ensure receptacles are flush to the finished plate.
21. Throughout -Remove all cord wiring used as a substitute for fixed wiring. Article 400.8, NEC
22. All electrical work must be done by a Minnesota-licensed electrical contractor under an electrical permit.

PLUMBING Inspector: Steve Fernlund

Phone: 651-266-9052

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1. Basement -Gas Piping -(MMC 103) Replace corroded gas piping/fittings.
2. Basement -Gas Piping -(MFGC 411) Install an approved shut off; connector and gas piping for the dryer.
3. Basement -Gas Piping -(MFGC 614.1-614.7) Vent clothes dryer to code.
4. Basement -Laundry Tub -(MPC 701) Install the waste piping to code.
5. Basement -Laundry Tub -(MPC 301.1) Repair/replace the faucet that is missing, broken or has parts missing.
6. Basement -Soil and Waste Piping -(MPC .0100 L & M & 708.1) Plug all open piping and properly pitch all piping.
7. Basement -Soil and Waste Piping -(MPC 313) Install proper pipe supports.
8. Basement -Soil and Waste Piping -(MPC 704 & 706) Replace all improper connections, transitions, fittings or pipe usage.
9. Basement -Soil and Waste Piping -(MPC .0100 M) Replace all corroded cast iron, steel waste or vent piping.
10. Basement -Water Heater -(MFGC 409) Install the gas shut off and the gas piping to code.
11. Basement -Water Heater -(MFGC 503) Install the water heater gas venting to code.
12. Basement -Water Heater -(MFGC 501.12) The water heater venting requires a chimney liner.
13. Basement -Water Heater -(MPC 501)Install the water piping for the water heater to code.
14. Basement -Water Heater -(MPC .0100 Q)The water heater must be fired and in service.
15. Basement -Water Meter -(MPC 609.11) Support the water meter to code.
16. Basement -Water Meter -(MPC 609.11 & SPRWS Sec.88.14) The water meter must be installed and in service.
17. Basement -Water Meter -(MPC 606.2) The service valves must be functional and installed to code.
18. Basement -Water Piping -(SPRWS 93.07) Provide a one (1) inch water line to the first major take off.
19. Basement -Water Piping -(MPC 301.1 (3))Repair or replace all the corroded, broken, or leaking water piping.

20. Exterior -Lawn Hydrants -(MPC 603.5.7) The lawn hydrant(s) require a backflow preventer.
21. First Floor -Gas Piping -(MFGC 411) Install an approved shut off; connector and gas piping for the range.
22. First Floor -Sink -(MPC .0100 E & 901) Install a proper fixture vent to code.
23. First Floor -Sink -(MPC 701) Install the waste piping to code.
24. First Floor -Sink -(MPC .0100 P & Q & 419.2) Install the water piping to code.
25. First Floor -Sink -(MPC 301.1) Repair/replace the fixture that is missing, broken or has parts missing.
26. Second Floor -Lavatory -(MPC .0100 E & 901) Install a proper fixture vent to code.
27. Second Floor -Lavatory -(MPC 701) Install the waste piping to code.
28. Second Floor -Lavatory -(MPC 301.1) Repair/replace the fixture that is missing, broken or has parts missing.
29. Second Floor -Toilet Facilities -(MPC 402.6) Install a proper flanged fixture connection on a firm base.
30. Second Floor -Tub and Shower -(MPC .0100 E & 901)Install a proper fixture vent to code.
31. Second Floor -Tub and Shower -(MPC 701) Install the waste piping to code.
32. Second Floor -Tub and Shower -(MPC 301.1) Repair/replace the fixture that is missing, broken or has parts missing.
33. Second Floor -Tub and Shower -(MPC 417.1) Provide a code compliant faucet with the proper air gap.
34. All the above corrections to waste, vent, water, and gas piping shall be per the Minnesota Plumbing Code Chapter 4714, Minnesota Rules Chapter 326, 4716, 1300, the Minnesota Mechanical Code, the Minnesota Fuel Gas Code, and Saint Paul Regional Water Services Water Code. All plumbing must be done by a plumbing contractor licensed in the State of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul by a plumber licensed in the State of Minnesota who also possess a City of Saint Paul Competency Card and after obtaining an approved City of Saint Paul Plumbing Permit.

Heating Inspector: Maureen Hanson

Phone: 651-266-9043

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1. Clean and Orsat test furnace burner. Check all controls for proper operation. Check furnace heat exchanger for leak; provide documentation from a licensed contractor that the heating unit is safe
2. Replace furnace flue venting to code
3. Connect furnace and water heater venting into chimney liner
4. Provide adequate clearance from flue vent pipe on furnace to combustible materials or provide approved shielding according to code
5. Vent clothes dryer to code and provide approved gas piping and valve (plumbing or mechanical gas permit is required).
6. Provide adequate combustion air and support duct to code
7. Provide support for gas lines to code

8. Plug, cap and/or remove all disconnected gas lines and unapproved valves
9. Bathrooms require a means to ventilate the space. Provide a window with an aggregate glazing area of not less than 3 square feet, one half of which must be operable. Alternative is a bath fan properly vented to the outside. All kitchen exhaust must be venting to exterior. A mechanical ventilation permit will be required for the bath fan and/or kitchen exhaust.
10. Provide all supply and return ducts for warm air heating system must be clean before final approval for occupancy. Documentation is required from a licensed duct-cleaning contractor that the duct system has been cleaned.
11. Repair and/or replace heating registers as necessary
12. Provide heat in every habitable room and bathrooms
13. Provide a means of returning air from every habitable room to the furnace. Return air can not be taken from closets, bathrooms, toilet rooms, kitchen or mechanical rooms.
14. Mechanical gas and ventilation permits are required for the above work.

Notes:

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1. See attachment for permit requirements and appeals procedure.
2. Most of the roof covering could not be inspected from grade. Recommend this be done before rehabilitation is attempted.

This is a registered vacant building. In order to sell or reoccupy this building, all deficiencies listed on this code compliance report must be corrected in accordance with the Minimum Housing Standards of the St. Paul Legislative Code (Chapter 34) and all required permits must receive final approval within six (6) months of the date of this report. One (1) six-month time extension may be requested by the owner and will be considered if it can be shown that the code compliance work is proceeding and is more than fifty (50) percent complete in accordance with Legislative Code Section 33.03(f).

You may file an appeal to this notice by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 651-266-8688. Any appeal must be made in writing within 10 days of this notice. (You must submit a copy of this notice when you appeal, and pay a filing fee.)

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If you have any questions regarding this inspection report, please contact Jim Seeger between 7:30 - 9:00 AM at 651-266-9046 or leave a voice mail message.

Sincerely,

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Attachments