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FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 1075 3RD ST E - AIMS
Ref. #78174

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on April 2, 2020 for the renewal of your Fire Certificate of Occupancy. Approval for occupancy will be granted upon compliance with the following deficiency list. The items on the list must be corrected prior to the re-inspection date. A re-inspection will be made after May 4, 2020.

Failure to comply may result in a criminal citation or the revocation of the Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The Saint Paul Legislative Code requires that no building shall be occupied without a Fire Certificate of Occupancy. The code also provides for the assessment of additional re-inspection fees.

YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING TENANTS IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING LIST OF DEFICIENCIES ARE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY.

DEFICIENCY LIST

1. **1304, 1308** - MSFC 315.3.1 - Provide and maintain at least 2 feet clearance below the lowest structural member or the ceiling.
2. **1305 STORAGE** - MSFC 901.6 - The fire alarm system must be maintained in a operative condition at all times, replace or repair where defective. -THIS ROOM HAS A HEAT DETECTOR AND SMOKE DETECTOR, REMOVE SMOKE AND INSTALL IN THE ELECTRICAL ROOM.

3. **1305 STORAGE- WATER HEATER** - NEC 300-21 - Provide for the openings through walls, floors or ceilings to be fire stopped using approved methods. **-FOAM STOP WAS USED INSTEAD OF FIRE CAULK. FOAM NOT ALLOWED IN COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS.**
4. **1309** - MSFC 1104.22 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 24 inch aisles throughout employee only areas.
5. **1309, 2203, 2306, 3201, 3306, 4201, 4306** - MSFC 1030.2 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path. **-2ND EXITS ARE BLOCKED**
6. **1310 COMMUNICATIONS** - MSFC 605.6 - Provide all openings in junction boxes to be sealed.
7. **1310 INSIDE 1309 - CEILING TILES:** SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the ceiling in an approved manner. Replace missing ceiling tiles to maintain proper fire sprinkler coverage.
8. **1310 INSIDE 1309, 3308 MAINTENANCE -HANG EXTINGUISHERS** - MSFC 906.1, MN Stat. 299F.361 - Provide approved fire extinguishers in accordance with the following types, sizes and locations.-Provide minimum 2A10BC fire extinguishers spaced not more than 75 feet travel distance from any point in the building to an extinguisher. They must be permanently mounted between 3 and 5 feet high in readily visible and easily accessible locations.
9. **2307 MAINTENANCE** - MSFC 605.3.1 - Doors into electrical control panel rooms shall be marked with a plainly visible and legible sign stating ELECTRICAL ROOM or similar wording.
10. **2308 MAINTENANCE** - MSFC 1104.3, 1011.1 - Provide and maintain approved directional exit signs. **-EXIT SIGNS AND EMERGENCY LIGHTS AT BOTH EXITS**
11. **3304** - NEC 590.3(B) - Temporary electrical power and lighting installations shall be permitted for a period not to exceed 90 days for holiday lighting and similar purposes. - Remove temporary decorative string lights. School also requires LED lights.
12. **4210** - MSFC 603.5.3 - Provide clearance around all mechanical equipment. **-Beanbag chair resting on radiator, highly flammable.**
13. **4303, 4304, 4305 - DOORS:** MSFC 1008.1 Doors. Means of egress doors shall be readily distinguishable from the adjacent construction and finishes such that the doors are easily recognizable as doors. Mirrors or similar reflecting materials shall not be used on means of egress doors. Means of egress doors shall not be concealed by curtains, drapes, decorations or similar materials.

14. **ALL STORAGE IN: ELECTRICAL ROOM, NEXT TO 1308, 1317, 1404 , 1215 MEDIA OFFICE NOW STORAGE, 4210** - MSFC 901.6 - The fire alarm system must be maintained in a operative condition at all times, replace or repair where defective.- **DETECTION MISSING. CHECK 2308 MAINTENANCE INSPECTOR COULD NOT SEE DETECTION**
15. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - MSFC 605.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring. -**1215 MEDIA CENTER STACKED BOOK NEXT TO MAIN DESK- NO DAISY CHAINING, 1404, 4207 DAISY CHAINING NOT ALLOWED, 4304**
16. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - NEC 440.13 - For cord-connected equipment such as: room air conditioners, household refrigerators and freezers, drinking water coolers, and beverage dispensers, a separable connector or an attachment plug and receptacle shall be permitted to serve as the disconnecting means. The appliance must plug directly into a permanent outlet. - **OFFICE 1002 EAST DESK, 1010, 1011, 1215 MEDIA CENTER BEHIND STACKS OF BOOKS PAST FRONT DESK, 4206**
17. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - MSFC 315.3 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials.-1302, 1317 STORAGE, 4308 MAIN
18. **DOOR INTO 1201 MECHANICAL** - MSFC 509.1.1 - Provide FIRE ALARM PANEL sign on door.
19. **ELECTRICAL ROOM, FIRE PANEL ROOM & 3RD FLOOR STAIRWELL** - MSFC 703.1 - The fire door must not be obstructed or impaired from its proper operation at any time.- **ELECTRICAL ROOM REMOVE FRICTION HOLD OPEN: NO PROPPING THIS DOOR MUST REMAIN SHUT OR ADD MAGNETIC HOLD OPEN TIED INTO FIRE ALARM AND ELECTRICAL, FIRE PANEL ROOM CANNOT BE PROPPED OPEN, NEXT TO 3305 STAIRWELL DOOR NO PROPPING DOOR OR NEEDS MAGNETIC HOLD OPEN TIED INTO FIRE ALARM AND ELECTRICAL.**
20. **EMAIL REPORT** - MSFC 901.6 - Provide required annual inspection and testing of the fire standpipe system and provide written documentation to this office as proof of compliance.
21. **KITCHEN** - MSFC 906.1, MN Stat. 299F.361 - Provide approved fire extinguishers in accordance with the following types, sizes and locations. -**REMOVE K TYPE EXTINGUISHER. THIS IS REQUIRED WITH FIRE SUPPRESSION UNDER HOOD.**
22. **PARKING LOT** - SPLC 34.08 (7) - All parking spaces shall be paved with asphalt, concrete, or durable dustless surfacing. -**REPAIR THE HOLE IN PAVEMENT: UPPER LOT, MIDDLE AREA OF PARKING SPACES.**
23. **4206 POST MAPS** - MSFC 404.2 - Provide an approved fire and emergency evacuation plan.

24. **ROOF ACCESS** - MSFC 1009.9.3 - Remove the storage under the stairs or provide and maintain 1 hour fire resistive construction on the storage side of the stairs.

25. **WALL OUTSIDE 1302** - MSFC 807.4.4.2 - Remove child prepared art work and teaching materials which exceed 50% of the wall area of corridors. Art work in excess of 20% shall be removed from corridor walls in unsprinklered buildings.

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: Diane.gavin@ci.stpaul.mn.us or call me at 651-266-8942 between 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Please help to make Saint Paul a safer place in which to live and work.

Sincerely,

Diane Gavin
Fire Safety Inspector

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