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FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 1930 COMO AVE
Ref. #21235

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on April 4, 2022 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 June 3, 2022.

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. DMC - MSFC 1104.3, 1011.1 - Provide and maintain approved directional exit signs.
-PADDLE LOCKS NOT ALLOWED
2. 1107 - MSFC 901.6 - The fire alarm system must be maintained in an operative condition at all times, replace or repair where defective.
-REMOVE TAPE OVER HORN & STROBE

3. 1111 - MSFC 604.3.1 - Doors into electrical control panel rooms shall be marked with a plainly visible and legible sign stating ELECTRICAL ROOM or similar approved wording.
4. 1111- TUNNEL & NEAR BAY 10 VEHICLE GARAGE - SPLC 34.12 (2), SPLC 34.36 (1) - Repair and maintain all required and supplied equipment in an operative and safe condition to properly and safely perform their intended function in accordance with the provisions of the applicable code.
-1111 TUNNEL: REPAIR BROKEN LIGHTS. INTUNNEL, ONE IS NEAR SHIPS LADDER. NEAR BAY 10 ON OPPOSITE WALL ELECTRICAL OUTLET IS BROKEN.
5. 1111-TUNNEL - 315.3.4 Attic, under-floor and concealed spaces. Attic, under-floor and concealed spaces used for storage of combustible materials shall be protected on the storage side as required for 1-hour fire-resistance-rated construction. Openings shall be protected by assemblies that are self closing and are of noncombustible construction or solid wood core not less than 13/4 inches (44.5 mm) in thickness. Storage shall not be placed on exposed joists.
-REMOVE BIG BOX FROM TUNNEL
6. 1112 STORAGE - MSFC 901.6 - Have fire extinguisher recharged and tagged.
-SERVICE OR REMOVE, NOT REQUIRED AS ONE IS OUTSIDE THIS DOOR.
7. 1116B, 1408- IT - MSFC 604.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring.
-1116B & 1408-IT -DAISY CHAINING NOT ALLOWED
8. 1123- ABOVE DOOR - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the walls in an approved manner.
-PATCH THE HOLES AND/OR CRACKS IN THE WALLS.
9. 1124 - 604.7 Equipment and fixtures. Electrical equipment and fixtures shall be tested and listed by an approved agency and installed and maintained in accordance with all instructions included as part of such listing.
10. 1410- MOUNT EXTINGUISHER - MSFC 906.1, MN Stat. 299F.361 - Provide approved fire extinguishers in accordance with the following types, sizes and locations.
-THEY MUST BE PERMANENTLY MOUNTED BETWEEN 3 AND 5 FEET HIGH IN READILY VISIBLE AND EASILY ACCESSIBLE LOCATIONS.
11. 1505 NEAR MAIN ELECTRICAL ROOM - SPLC 34.11 (1), SPLC 34.35 (1), MPC 707.4. - Repair the clogged drain line.
-FIX DRAIN SO IT DOESNOT BACKUP INTO MAIN ELECTRICAL ROOM.

12. 1605- SHEET METAL & 1616 PIPEFITTERS - 1605 SHEET METAL-WELDING
- MSFC 3504.1.1 - Provide approved shielding from combustibles to prevent sparks, slag or heat from igniting exposed combustibles-FROM PREVIOUS INSPECTION. CODE REVIEW ON COMBUSTION AIR
13. 1624 - 304.5 Indoor combustion air. The required volume of indoor air shall be determined in accordance with Section 304.5.1 or 304.5.2, except that where the air infiltration rate is known to be less than 0.40 air changes per hour (ACH), Section 304.5.2 shall be used. The total required volume shall be the sum of the required volume calculated for all appliances located within the space. Rooms communicating directly with the space in which the appliances are installed through openings not furnished with doors, and through combustion air openings sized and located in accordance with Section 304.5.3, are considered to be part of the required volume
14. 1648 & OLD CUSTODIAL SUPERVISORS OFFICE - CEILING TILES: 901.11 Fire sprinklers and fire detectors—ceilings. In buildings protected by automatic sprinklers or automatic fire detectors, suspended or removable ceiling tiles shall be maintained in place to prevent the delay in sprinkler or detector activation. Exception: When additional sprinklers or detectors are installed in the space above the suspended ceiling.
15. 2nd FLOOR NW MEETING ROOM - NFPA 13 Escutcheons used with recessed, flush-type, or concealed sprinklers shall be part of a listed sprinkler assembly.
16. BAY #27 LOADING DOCKS, FOOD WAREHOUSE EAST EXIT & SW EXITS - MSFC 1031.2, 1031.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
-BAY #27- REPEAT ISSUE: FOOD TRUCK PARKED IN BAY BLOCKING EXIT DOOR FROM ANOTHER BAY, FOOD WAREHOUSE EAST EXIT NEAR ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION EXIT DOOR BLOCKED BY EQUIPMENT & SW DOOR
17. BAY 41 & 42 - MSFC 1031.2, 1031.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
-EGRESS PATH NEEDS TO BE MAINTAINED AND FLAMMABLE EQUIPMENT VEHICLES SHOULD BE STORED FURTHER AWAY FROM EGRESS PATH.
18. CARPENTER SHOP - CARPENTER SHOP- DUST COLLECTOR - MSFC 2203 - Provide an approved dust collection system for all dust producing machinery. The dust collection system must be interlocked with machinery power supply to prevent the machinery from being used without the dust collection
-FROM PREVIOUS INSPECTION
19. CORRIDOR FROM FRONT OF CARPENTERS SHOP - MSFC Table 1017.2 - Provide an approved additional means of egress to reduce the travel distance to the exit.
-VERIFY DOOR TO THE RIGHT UNLOCKS ON ELECTRICAL & FIRE ALARM. IT CURRENTLY HAS A CARD READER TO EXIT INTO WAREHOUSE.

20. DMC SW EXIT - MSFC 1031.2, 1031.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
21. DOOR #5 & 14 & NEAR CORRIDOR TO SPRINKLER ROOM - REAR NEAR OFFICES - MSFC 1104.5, 1011.3 - Provide and maintain approved external or internal lighting of the exit sign.
 - EXITS NOT EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED AND EMERGENCY LIGHTS NOT WORKING.
22. DOOR INTO FIRE PANEL ROOM FROM EMPLOYEE ENTRANCE - MSFC 509.1 - Provide FIRE ALARM PANEL sign on door.
 - FIRE PANEL DOOR HAS SIGN ON ONE SIDE AND SHOULD HAVE OB BOTH.
23. EMAIL GENERATOR REPORT - 1203.5 Operational inspection and testing. Emergency power systems, including all appurtenant components, shall be inspected and tested under load in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111.
24. EMAIL REPORT - MSFC 907.8, NFPA 72 14.3.1 - Provide required annual maintenance of the fire alarm system by a qualified person and provide written documentation to this office as proof of compliance.
25. EMAIL REPORT - MSFC 901.6 - Provide required annual inspection and testing of the fire sprinkler system by a licensed fire sprinkler contractor and provide written documentation to this office as proof of compliance. Tags must be maintained on the riser showing the latest date of inspection and testing.
26. EMERGENCY LIGHTS - MSFC 1013.6.3 - Provide and maintain at least 90 minutes of illumination to the exit signs in case of primary power loss.
 - PROVIDE GENERATOR MAP & WHAT IT POWERS TO (PANEL DOES NOT NAME MANY).
 - NEW OFFICE/CAFE SEATING AREA- THE TEST BUTTONS DO NOT WORK.
 - WAREHOUSES DO NOT HAVE A LOT OF EMRGENCY LIGHTS AS WELL.
27. GROUNDS & LABOR OFFICE - MSFC 315.3.1 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 18 inches clearance between the top of the storage and the sprinkler heads throughout the space.
28. KITCHEN & WALK IN COOLERS - MSFC 1010.1.9 - Remove unapproved locks from the exit doors. The door must be operable from the inside without the use of keys or special knowledge or effort.
29. KITCHEN EXIT DOOR NEAR RESTROOMS & 1514 STORAGE - MSFC 703.1 - The fire door must not be obstructed or impaired from its proper operation at any time.
 - KITCHEN NEEDS TO BE ON A MAGNETIC HOLD OPEN, REMOVE FRICTION HOLD- OPEN.

30. NEXT TO 1410B - SPLC 34.12 (2), SPLC 34.36 (1) - Repair and maintain all required and supplied equipment in an operative and safe condition to properly and safely perform their intended function in accordance with the provisions of the applicable code.
31. PAINT ROOM - PAINT ROOM STORAGE - MSFC 5003.8.7 - Provide approved hazardous material storage cabinet(s) for quantities of hazardous materials.
-FLAMMABLE STORAGE NOT BEING STORED IN CABINETS.
32. PAINT SHOP - 906.6 Unobstructed and unobscured. Portable fire extinguishers shall not be obstructed or obscured from view. In rooms or areas in which visual obstruction cannot be completely avoided, means shall be provided to indicate the locations of extinguishers.
-REMOVE STORAGE FROM FIRE EXTINGUISHER.
33. PAINT SHOP, PIPEFITTERS 1616 - MFGC 304 - Provide approved combustion make up air in compliance with the mechanical code. This work may require a permit(s). Call DSI at (651) 266-8989.
34. PRINT SHOP REAR EXIT - MSFC 1104.3, 1013.1 - Provide and maintain approved directional exit signs.
-REMOVE SIGN POSTED "NOT AN EXIT", REPEAT ISSUE. CAN STATE EMERGENCY EXIT ONLY. THIS AREA ALSO NEEDS SOME DIRECTIONAL EXIT SIGNS LEADING TO FRONT ENTRANCE
35. ROOF ACCESS FROM 2ND FLOOR OFFICES - MSFC 5303.5.3 - Secure the pressurized cylinders to prevent falling caused by contact.
36. ROOF ACCESS FROM 2ND FLOOR OFFICES - SPLC 34.10 (7), 34.17 (5) - Repair and maintain the ceiling in an approved manner.
-AT STAIRWELL AND ROOM AT TOP OF STAIRS REPAIR HOLES IN THE CEILING OR ADD SPRINKLER COVERAGE ABOVE.
37. SEE LIST - MSFC 1104.5.3, 1006.3 - Provide and maintain an approved emergency lighting system.
-NEW MECHANICAL NW CORNER OF FOOD WAREHOUSE 2 OUT OF 2 E-LIGHTS NOT WORKING. COOLERS EITHER MISSING OR HAVE OLD/BROKEN ONES.
38. SEE LIST - MSFC 604.6 - Provide all openings in junction boxes to be sealed.
-1111 IN TUNNEL, MASONRY STORAGE NEAR STAIRS (IN VEHICLE STORAGE BAY), MAIN SPRINKLER ROOM LEFTON MAIN VALVE.
39. SEE LIST - NEC 240.5(B)(3) - Extension Cord Sets - Flexible cord used in listed extension cord sets shall be considered to be protected when applied within the extension cord listing requirements. - Plug appliance directly to outlet or use approved listed cord.
-1124, 2ND ROOM FROM 2104 SPACE HEATER, MOTHERS ROOM REGRIG,

40. SEE LIST - MSFC 315.3 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials.
-ROOF ACCESS ROOM FROM 2ND FLOOR OFFICES, PPE MEZZ & PLUMBING MEZZ
41. STORE ROOM - MSFC 703.1 - Provide and maintain fire rated wall construction with approved materials and methods. This work may require a permit(s).
-WALLS TO WAREHOUSE
42. STORE WAREHOUSE FRONT EXIT - MSFC 1104.3.5, 1013.3 - Provide and maintain approved external or internal lighting of the exit sign.
-MISSING EXIT SIGN AND EMERGENCY LIGHTS.
43. SW FOOD WAREHOUSE, TED'S FAVORITE WEARHOUSE, STORE ROOM, - MSFC 1104.23, 1018.1 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 42 inch aisles where storage or fixtures are on two sides of the aisle.
44. WEST WAREHOUSE - MSFC 1104.5.3, 1008.3.5 - Provide and maintain an approved emergency lighting system.
-PROVIDE EXIT SIGN WITH EMERGENCY LIGHTS

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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