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FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 2045 ST CLAIR AVE - GROVELAND PARK SCHOOL
Ref. #23842

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on February 18, 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 March 21, 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. **1105 2nd Exit, 1123C, Stairwell Doors Near Door #2 & #14** - MSFC 1031.2, 1031.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
-Stairwell doors being blocked by rugs. There is room for the rugs to be behind the doors further and they will not prevent doors from shutting.

2. **1105, 2138, Rec Center E. Thompson Office** - 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.
-Refrigerators
3. **1109** - NEC 110.26 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 36 inches clearance in front of all electrical panels.
4. **1113, 2108, Across from 2136, 2139** - 1010.1 Doors. Means of egress doors shall meet the requirements of this section. Doors serving a means of egress system shall meet the requirements of this section and Section 1022.2. Doors provided for egress purposes in numbers greater than required by this code shall meet the requirements of this section. 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.
-Entire door cannot be covered with construction paper. Reduce or remove
5. **1132, 1135C, 3101, Rec Center Art Room Storage & Smore Fun** - MSFC 315.3 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials.
6. **1st Floor Elevator Lobby** - MSFC 701.5 - The fire door must not be obstructed or impaired from its proper operation at any time.
- Repair molding at bottom of door preventing door to close and latch.
7. **2113 Music Room** - MSFC 604.4 - Discontinue use of all multi-plug adapters.
8. **2nd Floor Elevator Lobby** - MN Stat 299F.18 - Immediately remove and discontinue excessive accumulation of combustible materials.
-Reduce combustibles or put into containers/lockers.
9. **2nd Floor Nurses Office & Office Restrooms** - NFPA 13 Escutcheons used with recessed, flush-type, or concealed sprinklers shall be part of a listed sprinkler assembly.
10. **2nd Floor- Elevator Lobby** - 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.
11. **2nd Middle Stairwell, 3E Stairwell** - MSFC 705.1 - Provide, repair or replace the fire rated door and assembly.
- Repair and maintain the door latch.
12. **Door #7 & Door #8** - MSFC 1031.2, 1031.3 - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
-Remove snow & ice

13. **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.
14. **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.
15. **Evacuation Plans** - MSFC 404.2 - Provide an approved fire and emergency evacuation plan.
-Inspector will look at these at the re-inspection
16. **IMC far corner by windows, Rec Center Kitchen** - 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.
17. **Office Work Room** - 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.
18. **Rec Center Kitchen & Activity Room Storage** - MSFC 901.6 - Have fire extinguisher recharged and tagged.
-Tagged 2020
19. **Rec Center- Gym Equipment Room** - 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.
20. **See List** - MSFC 604.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring.
- 2113 Music Room, daisy chaining, 3114 Back room, 3121
21. **Sprinkler Main- Rec Gym** - MSFC 903.4.4 - Provide approved physical security of all fire sprinkler control valves.
-Chain and lock required. Door found open. This is a repeat problem.
22. **Stairwell Door Near Door #2 & Near Door #14** - MSFC 701.5- Provide, repair or replace the fire rated assembly.
- Sweeps/weather strip needed. Gap to wide.

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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