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FIRE INSPECTION CORRECTION NOTICE

RE: 985 RUTH ST N - NOKOMIS
Ref. #10097

Dear Property Representative:

Your building was inspected on April 30, 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 June 1, 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. **1109** - MSFC 901.4.6 - Provide and maintain a minimum of 3 feet unobstructed access around all fire sprinkler valves.
2. **1112A GYM STORAGE - MOUNT EXTINGUISHER** - 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.

3. **1112A GYM STORAGE - MSFC 1104.22** - Provide and maintain a minimum of 24 inch aisles throughout employee only areas.
4. **1203 & 1407 - REFRIGERATOR - 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.
5. **1204 - MN Stat 299F.18** - Immediately remove and discontinue excessive accumulation of combustible materials.
6. **1204, 1206 & 1305 AT 2ND EXITS - MSFC 1030.2** - Remove the materials that cause an exit obstruction. Maintain a clear and unobstructed exit path.
7. **1206 AT 2ND EXIT - CONSTRUCTION PAPER ON 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.
8. **1304 STORAGE, 2204A STORAGE - NEC 110.26** - Provide and maintain a minimum of 36 inches clearance in front of all electrical panels.
9. **1305 & 1309 - MSFC Table 1104.17.4** - Provide an approved additional means of egress to reduce the travel distance to the exit. **-ROOMS REQUIRE 2 EXITS. CODE REVIEW NEEDED. SIGN POSTED OCCUPANT LOAD 49 AND DO NOT SEE A CONDITIONS FOLDER SAYING THIS IS OK.**
10. **1402 & 1405 - MSFC 901.6** - The sprinkler system does not appear to properly protect the hazard. **-REMOVE CURTAIN ON RIGHT SIDE OF ROOM THAT BLOCKS SPRINKLER HEAD FROM STORAGE.**
11. **1407 AT DESK - MSFC 605.4** - Discontinue use of all multi-plug adapters.
12. **1407 - MSFC 605.5** - Remove electrical cords that extend through walls, ceiling, floors, under doors, or floors coverings, or are subjected to environmental or physical damage. **-CORD UNDER RUG**
13. **CHECK THROUGHOUT - NO PROPPING FIRE DOORS - MSFC 703.1** - The fire door must not be obstructed or impaired from its proper operation at any time. **-1302, 1401**
14. **CHECK THROUGHOUT - 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. **-1007,**

1203, 1302, 1305, 1405, 1407, 2203, 2204A STORAGE, 2205, 2207 RIGHT CORNER OF ROOM

15. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - MSFC 605.5 - Discontinue use of extension cords used in lieu of permanent wiring. -**PRINCIPALS OFFICE, 2203**

16. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - 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. - **1003 NURSES OFFICE, 1005, 1006 WORKROOM, 1008 STAFF LOUNGE, 1103 KITCHEN STORAGE, 1205, 1304 STORAGE, 2204A STORAGE**

17. **CHECK THROUGHOUT** - MSFC 315.3 - Provide and maintain orderly storage of materials. -**1103 KITCHEN STORAGE, 1114A, 1304 STORAGE, 2204A STORAGE**

18. **EMERGENCY PLAN COURTYARD** - MSFC 404.2 - Provide an approved fire and emergency evacuation plan. -**PLEASE PROVIDE EMERGENCY PLAN THAT INCLUDES COURTYARD USE, AS THESE HAVE DEADBOLT LOCKS ON DOORS.**

19. **GENERATOR** - MSFC 604 EMERGENCY AND STANDBY POWER SYSTEMS. 604.3 Maintenance. Emergency and standby power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111 such that the system is capable of supplying service within the time specified for the type and duration required.- MSFC 604.3.1 Schedule. Inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall be in accordance with an approved schedule established upon completion and approval of the system installation.-Annual tests consist of 30 minute test of the emergency lighting system. Monthly tests consist of 30 seconds. The record shall include the location of the emergency lighting tested, whether the unit passed or failed, the date of the test, and the person completing the test. MSFC 604.3.2 Written Record. Written records of the inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall include the date of service, name of the servicing technician, a summary, of conditions noted and an detailed description of any conditions required correction and what corrective action was taken. such records shall be kept on the premises served by the emergency or standby power system and be available for inspection by the fire code official.- Testing of the emergency lighting system shall be tested monthly. The activation test shall ensure the emergency lighting activates automatically upon normal electrical disconnect and stays sufficiently illuminated for a minimum of 30 seconds. Records kept on site for three years. MSFC 605.10: ELECTRIC SPACE HEATERS IN SCHOOLS: Must be listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory and installed and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. in addition must have high temperature cutoffs and tip-over shut off switches.

20. **IMC DOORS & CORRIDOR NEAR FRONT ENTRANCE** - MSFC 703.1 - Provide, repair or replace the fire rated door and assembly. - **IMC DOORS HAVE FRICTION HOLD OPENS AND MAY BE ON THE MAGNETIC HOLD OPENS THAT TIE INTO FIRE ALARM AND ELECTRICAL. CORRIDOR NEAR FRONT ENTRANCE REMOVE KICK STANDS, MAY HAVE MAGNETIC HOLD OPENS.**

21. **KITCHEN FLOOR DRAIN COVER - BEHIND OVENS** - 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. **-DRAIN COVER BROKEN**
22. **OUTSIDE 1407, BOYS BATHROOM NEAR 1401** - MSFC 901.6 - The fire alarm system must be maintained in a operative condition at all times, replace or repair where defective. **-HANGING/LOOSE HORN AND STROBES AND DETECTORS**
23. **OUTSIDE FLAM STORAGE DOOR #4** - MSFC 901.6 - Have fire extinguisher recharged and tagged.
24. **1302-SAFETY PADS ON PIPES** - 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. **- OLD KITCHEN NOW USED AS CLASSROOM HAS OLD PIPES CAPPED OFF BUT EASILY A HAZARD OT ANYONE IN THIS ROOM.**
25. **BOYS LOCKER ROOM- MAIN FLOOR AREA NEAR LOCKERS** - MSFC 901.6 - Contact a fire sprinkler contractor to replace all painted or damaged fire sprinkler heads. All sprinkler work must be done by a licensed contractor under permit. **-HEAD IS BENT**

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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