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To whom it may concern,

In regards to the $9,930.00 fine on my property, it was unclear to me that I had to clear the old permit out completely in order to satisfy the terms put forth by the magistrate. I paid for a new permit in February thinking that the new permit would serve as an extension of the old one. I thought that because I bought the second permit in the same office that bought the first permit my information would have shown up on file immediately. This is the first home I have owned and the first permit I have ever pulled. I am very unfamiliar with how the permit system works, and so for this I apologize. I would have never neglected this serious situation if I had been aware of it. I was informed that I was being fined $100 a day after 3 months when I received this gigantic bill. If I had known sooner this situation would have never gotten so out of hand.

Being a first time home owner, the last thing I would want is to have an issue like this with the city. My inexperience with these kinds of matters has not helped and so I am asking your office to help me settle this matter once and for all. The fence has been finished and passed inspection.

In conclusion I feel that that the fine of $9,930.00 is way too large to be considered fair. I did pay for a new permit in February, so I was not neglecting my responsibility to the city. I would greatly appreciate any guidance or adjustments to this fine.

Sincerely,

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