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## Rental License Denial Report to Council

June 28<sup>th</sup> 2023

Honorable Mayor and City Council:

On June 5, 2023, Duane Rosen, Owner of B and D's Properties and Investments LLC, which is the registered owner by tax records of 15443 Ramsey Blvd. NW, Ramsey, MN 55303, applied for a rental license as required by City Code. This report is required per City Code Section 26-651 if there are grounds for denial of a rental license.

City Code Section 26-650C allows for an inspection of a rental property if it is believed that Code Violations exist. The property owner advised that the Code Enforcement Officer was no longer allowed on the property, therefore a Building Inspector would need to conduct the inspections. The City has made attempts to inspect the property for compliance prior to issuing a rental license. Building Inspector Thomas Knight spoke with the property owner and scheduled an inspection time for June 27, 2023, at 10A.M. Inspector Knight arrived as scheduled. He knocked and attempted to contact the tenants or owner without success and then left the property. The owner failed to attend the inspection as required by City Code to ensure the property is fit for rental licensing status and safe to occupy.

The property owner has several code violations on the property to date that we are aware of:

- Renting without a license
- Working without applicable building permit(s)
- Working without contractor's license
- Failed septic compliance
- Outside accumulations of debris
- Unlicensed and inoperable vehicles outside
- Vehicles parking on unimproved surfaces
- Fire damage repair issues
- Long grass and weeds
- Exceeding item numbers parked or stored outside

The property was vacant upon Mr. Rosen's company's purchase with existing septic compliance issues. While the home was vacant, a fire occurred. The property owner completed work on the home without being licensed or having appropriate permits, and subsequently allowed tenants to occupy the home.

To this date, several corrective orders have been issued with no resolution and the property is currently occupied.

It is important to consider a family is currently living in this home with existing septic compliance issues, fire damage, and unlicensed unpermitted work having occurred. It is our recommendation that the license

application is denied until such time as the property is brought into compliance in accordance with the Minnesota State Building Code, International Property Maintenance Code, and all other applicable City Ordinances, State and Federal Laws.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jesse Szykulski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a long, sweeping underline.

Jesse Szykulski,  
Building Official, City of Ramsey