GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



February 5, 2007

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Alleged Building Permit No.B98956 has been declared invalid, null, and void and was not issued by this Department.

Please note that the owner Tariq Hussian and contractor Jack Cole for the renovation project at 1405 North Carolina Ave. NE are in the process of securing the necessary and proper permits to continue work at this address.

They are authorized to remove the dumpster, maintain a clean and neat outside appearance free of trash and debris, and secure the building from unauthorized access.

The Stop Work Order remains in effect until the proper permits are issued, but the above cleanup work may proceed.

If you have further question contact the Zoning Administrator at the address and contact information below.

Regards,

Bill Crews

Zoning Administrator for the District of Columbia.

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VIA PERSONAL SERVICE, U.S. FIRST CLASS MAIL, and U.S. FIRST CLASS CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Tariq Hussain 5606 Braddock Farms Way Clifton, Va., 20124-1315

Re: 1405 North Carolina Avenue, N.E.

Square 1056 Lot 88

Invalid Building Permit #B98956

Dear Mr. Hussain,

On June 9, 2006, a zoning inspector from my office observed an invalid building permit (#B98956) posted on your property located at 1405 North Carolina Ave., N.E. The issuance date shown was May 1, 2006 for the alteration and repair of a 3 family flat. For reasons stated below, DCRA has no record of this permit ever having been issued by the agency and thus, absent, submission of evidence on your part documenting its legitimacy, we regard this permit as null and void and will act accordingly.

A review of our records indicates that a file job tracking number (#4442-E-6) for this property address exists within our application tracking system. However, we have been unable to find an application or plans for this property, and there is no record that an application associated with the tracking number was ever released from the technical plan review branch to the permit issuance desk, which would have been a prerequisite for issuance of a permit. Furthermore, our records show no permits having ever been issued for the subject property, nor is there any record of a permit being issued on May 1, 2006.

There are other irregularities in the permit indicating that it was not officially issued by the agency. These include the following. The subject property is located at 1405 North Carolina Ave., N.E. yet the displayed permit states the address as 1405 North "Caroline" Ave., N.E. The displayed permit indicates in the "Description of Work" that the work is for "Alteration/Repair to 3 family flat..." when, in fact, a flat means two units. Under zoning regulations, a three unit apartment building is not permitted in the zoning district for this property (R-4). Under "Permit Type" the reference is to a "New Addition," yet

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no addition to the property has been made as the building already occupies 100% of the lot area. Under the "Conditions/Restrictions" section on the permit, "hours of operation" are missing.

If you have any information or documentation evidencing the valid processing and issuance of the above-referenced permit #B98956, please provide such information and documentation to me on or before February 5, 2007.

The posted stop work order will remain in effect until you obtain proper building permits to cover the proposed work.

Should you have further inquiry please feel free to contact me at 202-442-4576.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter

Best regards,

Bill Crews

Zoning Administrator for the District of Columbia

Cc:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Jill Stern, General Counsel, DCRA