



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development

Date: September 9, 2014

To: Council Member Goodman, Chair – Community Development & Regulatory Services Committee

Subject: Denial of Renewal of the Motor Vehicle Repair Garage license for Ahmed Ahmed dba: Ahmed's Certified Auto Care at 616 45th Avenue North, Minneapolis.

Recommendation: That the Community Development and Regulatory Services Committee recommends denial of renewal of the of the Motor Vehicle Repair Garage license for Ahmed Ahmed; dba Ahmed's Certified Auto Care due to two unpaid citations owed to the City of Minneapolis.

Previous Directives: None

Department Information

Prepared by: Michele Harvet, Lead License Inspector, (612) 673-5484

Approved by:

Cathy Polasky, Director of Economic Policy and Development

Grant Wilson, Manager of Business Licenses

Presenters in Committee: Grant Wilson & Michele Harvet

Financial Impact

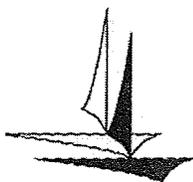
- No financial impact

Supporting Information

259.15. Payment of taxes prerequisite to issuance of license. No license or license permit shall be issued or maintained for operation on any premises, on which taxes, assessments or other financial claims of the city or of the state are due, delinquent or unpaid. In the event an action has been commenced pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 278, Minnesota Statutes, questioning the amount or validity of taxes, the council may, on application by the licensee, waive strict compliance with this provision; no waiver may be granted, however, for taxes or any portion thereof, which remain unpaid for a period exceeding one (1) year after becoming due unless a payment plan has been entered into or the liability is under litigation or appeal.

Ahmed's Certified Auto Care has two unpaid citations due to the Licenses & Consumer Services Division in the amount of \$880 (including late penalties). These have been past due since June 12, 2014.

On July 21, 2014, Licenses and Consumer Services met with the owner, Mr. Ahmed Ahmed, and discussed the unpaid citations and how it could adversely affect his business license. On August 6, 2014, Licenses and Consumer Services notified Mr. Ahmed of the date of this hearing and the potential for adverse license action. No payment has been received from Mr. Ahmed for the past due citations, in the amount of \$880.



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July 11, 2014

Ahmed Ahmed
DBA: Ahmed's Certified Auto Care
616 45th Avenue North
Minneapolis, MN 55412

BY ORDER OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & REGULATORY
SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL:

NOTICE TO APPEAR

DATE: Monday, July 21, 2014
TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room 107, City Hall, Minneapolis, MN 55415

REGARDING: Motor Vehicle Repair Garage License

Please be advised that a license settlement conference of Licenses and Consumer Services will be held at the above time and place to consider corrective action on your Food Manufacturer License due to:

1. Unpaid Citations.

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Your business has three unpaid citations due to Licenses & Consumer Services in the amount of \$880 (including late penalties). These are now past due.

If you desire, legal counsel may represent you at the conference. Failure to appear may jeopardize your license. If you have any questions, please contact Inspector Michele Harvet at 612-673-5484.

Sincerely,

Craig Eliason, District Supervisor
Licenses and Consumer Services



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AHMEDS CERTIFIED AUTO CARE
AHMED AHMED
616 45TH AVE N
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13-JUN-14
Request Number: 14-1046498

NON PAYMENT OF FEES

RE:616 45TH AVE N

Our records indicate that you have failed to pay required fees to the City of Minneapolis. Payment of all fees is required to maintain your business license in good standing.

Minneapolis ordinance 259.15/360.140 requires all financial claims be paid before a license be granted or renewed. Our records indicate that you have an unresolved financial claim. The type of financial obligation and the amount is listed below. Please pay the fees by the due date or an action will be initiated to add additional fines, suspend or revoke your business license resulting in discontinuance of business activity.

Inspector's Comments: Your business has outstanding citations in the amount of \$880 (including late fees) past due. Please pay these by due date in order to avoid adverse license action.

Due Date: 22-JUN-14

If these fees are not paid by the due date listed above, adverse license action could result. Adverse license action includes, but is not limited to, administrative fines, suspension or revocation of your business license.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE FEES, OR IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER, AGENT OR OCCUPANT, PLEASE CALL THE INSPECTOR LISTED BELOW.

ALL MATERIAL AND SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE IN ACCESSIBLE FORMATS
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24-FEB-14

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ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

This citation charges you with a violation of Minneapolis City Code of Ordinances.
 For information on how to respond to this citation, see the reverse side of this form.

Violation number: 14-1024506
Violation Location: 616 45TH AVE N
Violation Date: 20-FEB-14

Violation: LV056
 Failure to comply with all city ordinances per MCO 259.250(2)

FINE: \$200 (If not paid by 17-MAR-14 a 10% late payment fee will be added)

MICHELE HARVET, LICENSING INSPECTOR, Phone: (612) 673-5484

**Warning – Failure to respond to this citation within twenty (20) days will
 result in increased penalties and fees assessed.
 DO NOT COMBINE THIS PAYMENT WITH ANY OTHER CITY BILLING**

Make Checks Payable to: MINNEAPOLIS FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MICRO-PERFORATED: Detach and return this portion with payment. Do not fold this

ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION BILLING STATEMENT

Location: 616 45TH AVE N	MAIL PAYMENTS TO Licenses and Consumer Services Division	Date Due 17-MAR-14	Amount Due Now \$200
Please write this number on your check: 14- 1024506	350 South 5 th St, Room 1-C Minneapolis MN 55415-1316	Amount Due After Above Due Date: \$ 220	



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CITATION NOTICE
VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

RE: 616 45TH AVE N

Enclosed is an administrative citation that has been issued for noncompliance of city ordinances as follows:

MPLS ORD 259.250 (2) states that it shall be the responsibility of the licensee to maintain and operate the business in compliance with all applicable laws and ordinances, including the Zoning, Fire, Environmental Health, Environmental Management, License, Food, Liquor, Housing and Building codes. The ordinance your business has violated is listed below.

536.20. Specific development standards. Automobile repair, minor.

- (1) All vehicles waiting for repair or pick-up shall be stored on the site in an enclosed building or in parking spaces in compliance with Chapter 541, Off-Street Parking and Loading.
- (2) Except in the I3 District, all repairs shall be performed within a completely enclosed building.
- (3) All vehicles parked or stored on-site shall display a current license plate with a current license tab. Outdoor storage of automotive parts or storage of junk vehicles is prohibited.
- (4) The sale of vehicles shall be prohibited.
- (5) In the C1, C2 and C3S Districts, all service vehicles associated with the establishment shall be parked or stored in an enclosed structure after business hours.
- (6) The use shall employ best management practices regarding the venting of odors, gas and fumes. Such vents shall be located a minimum of ten (10) feet above grade and shall be directed away from residential uses. All storage tanks shall be equipped with vaportight fittings to preclude the escape of gas vapors from the fill pipes.
- (7) The premises, all adjacent streets, sidewalks and alleys, and all sidewalks and alleys within one hundred (100) feet shall be inspected regularly for purposes of removing any litter found thereon.
- (8) Unattended, automated dispensing of gasoline or other engine fuel shall be prohibited.

Inspector's Comments: An inspection on February 20, 2014, at 12:08pm showed that your motor vehicle repair garage had several vehicles (see photos) that were stored on your lot that appeared to be inoperable. These vehicles must be removed if they are not cars of current customers or do not have current license plate tabs.

The fine amount for this citation is indicated on the citation. Failure to pay this citation before 17-MAR-14 will result in an additional late fee penalty. . If you fail to comply with the above city ordinance, additional citations may be issued and fines may double daily. Nonpayment of fines may result in loss of your business license.

You may request a hearing to contest this citation. A request for a hearing must be in writing and must be received within twenty days from issuance of the citation. Your inspector cannot waive, reduce or dismiss this fine. If you decide to request a hearing, please be aware that the hearing officer has the following authority:

- (1) Mediate and enforce a settlement of the dispute;
- (2) Determine whether a violation occurred;
- (3) Dismiss the administrative citation;
- (4) Impose the scheduled fine;
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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE ORDERS, OR IF YOU ARE NOT THE OWNER, AGENT, OR OCCUPANT, PLEASE CALL THE INSPECTOR LISTED BELOW.

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MICHELE HARVET, LICENSING INSPECTOR, Phone: (612) 673-5484

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23-MAY-14

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Violation number: 14-1024506
Violation Location: 616 45TH AVE N
Violation Date: 21-MAY-14

Violation: LV056
 Failure to comply with all city ordinances per MCO 259.250(2)

FINE: \$400 (If not paid by 12-JUN-14 a 10% late payment fee will be added)

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ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION BILLING STATEMENT

Location: 616 45TH AVE N	MAIL PAYMENTS TO Licenses and Consumer Services Division 350 South 5 th St, Room 1-C Minneapolis MN 55415-1316	Date Due 12-JUN-14	Amount Due Now \$400
Please write this number on your check: 14- 1024506		Amount Due After Above Due Date: \$ 440	



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Inspector's Comments: Inspections on March 4, April 16 and May 21, 2014, at 10:39am showed that your motor vehicle repair garage had several vehicles (see photos) that were stored on your lot that appeared to be inoperable. These vehicles must be removed if they are not cars of current customers or do not have current license plate tabs. Remediate by due date.

The fine amount for this citation is indicated on the citation. Failure to pay this citation before 12-JUN-14 will result in an additional late fee penalty. If you fail to comply with the above city ordinance, additional citations may be issued and fines may double daily. Nonpayment of fines may result in loss of your business license.

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27-MAY-14

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ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

This citation charges you with a violation of Minneapolis City Code of Ordinances.
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Violation number: 14-1025641
Violation Location: 616 45TH AVE N
Violation Date: 21-MAY-14

Violation: LV002
 Failure to clean litter daily per MCO 259.125(1)

FINE: \$200 (If not paid by 12-JUN-14 a 10% late payment fee will be added)

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Please write this number on your check: 14- 1025641	350 South 5 th St, Room 1-C Minneapolis MN 55415-1316	Amount Due After Above Due Date: \$ 220	



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RE: 616 45TH AVE N

Enclosed is an administrative citation that has been issued for noncompliance of city ordinances as follows:

The exterior condition of your building/property is in violation of Minneapolis Code of Ordinances Chapter 259.125(1), also known as the Business Premise Maintenance Code, which requires all licensed businesses in the City of Minneapolis to regularly remove all litter and debris from the areas of the business premise and all other property within 100 feet of the business premise property lines. Please remove litter and debris from the property on and near your business daily. Future violations may result in the issuance of fines and or citations.

Inspector's Comments: During inspections on March 4, April 16 and May 21, 2014, at 10:39am, Inspector observed many different car parts on your lot. These must not be stored outside. They appear to be refuse or debris. There was also litter observed on May 21, 2014. Dispose of debris and litter properly by due date.

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07-AUG-14

Request Number: 14-1046498

NOTICE OF PENDING HEARING FOR UNPAID FEES

You have been previously notified that you owed fines or fees to the City of Minneapolis. The fine or fee remains unpaid. Minneapolis Code of Ordinances 259.15/360.140 prohibits the issuance or renewal of business licenses when fines or fees are owed.

A hearing is being scheduled for September 9, 2014, at approximately 1:30pm, at Minneapolis City Hall, 350 South 5th Street, Room 317, to consider the denial or revocation of your business license application due to your failure to make payment on your unpaid fine or fee. It is the intention of the Business License Division to request that the City Council deny or revoke your license application resulting in discontinuance of business activities. This hearing can be avoided by tendering payment in the amount of \$880 to the Business License Division. Please send or deliver a check or money order to:

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If you have any questions concerning the payment of the fine or fee, please call the inspector listed below.

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