




MEMORANDUM

TO: James E. Tate Jr.,
City Council President Pro-Tempore

THRU: Public Health and Safety Standing
Committee

FROM: Arthur Rushin, Chief Enforcement Officer, PMB Division - AR 
Building, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department

DATE: June 12, 2024

RE: BSEED Inspection Questions for 21551 Fenkell

A District 1 business owner approached my office in early May, waiting for a response from the Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department (BSEED) for his property at 21551 Fenkell Avenue. Mr. Lytwyn, the business owner, provided documents with various invoices charged by BSEED, despite claiming that he never received notices. Mr. Lytwyn is eager to bring his building into compliance but is unable to with the outstanding invoices.

Response:

1. **If Mr. Lytwyn can have the invoices expunged. If not, please share why.**

We don't remove inspection fees once an inspection is performed on a building. We will make adjustment to a fee if an error is made on the type of inspection, or an additional fee is assessed by mistake.

The outstanding balance is \$610.00

2. **Were notices provided to Mr. Lytwyn? If so, please share the dates notices were sent.**

The following notices/invoices were mailed to the last address of record.

Certificate of compliance – 3/26/2019
Correction order – 11/23/2021
Invoiced – 11/23/2021
Correction order – 8/19/2022



Correction order – 9/7/2022
Tickets – 9/8/2022
Tickets – 10/4/2022
Invoiced – 10/18/22
Correction order – 8/4/2023
Invoiced – 8/4/2023

3. If the invoices can be expunged, how soon can this occur?

After a review of our files, the invoice for the owner was adjusted and an invoice will be mailed before the end of the week.

4. How soon can an inspection occur for the building to receive a Certificate of Compliance?

The owner can submit a request for an inspection Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. By calling (313) 628-2451, option 1, for Property Maintenance to schedule an inspection or email pm@detroitmi.gov an inspection will take place within 72 hours.

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CC: Honorable City Council
David Bell, Director, BSEED
David Whitaker, Director Legislative Policy Division
Louise Jones, City Clerk's Office
Malik Washington, City Council Liaison



City of Detroit

CITY COUNCIL

JAMES E. TATE JR.
CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE
DISTRICT 1

MEMORANDUM

TO: David Bell, Director, Buildings, Safety Engineering, and Environmental Department

THRU: Public Health and Safety Standing Committee

FROM: Council President Pro Tempore James E. Tate Jr.

DATE: Thursday, May 30, 2024

RE: BSEED Inspection Questions for 21551 Fenkell Avenue

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Please respond to the following questions:

1. If Mr. Lytwyn can have the invoices expunged. If not, please share why.
2. Were notices provided to Mr. Lytwyn? If so, please share the dates notices were sent.
3. If the invoices can be expunged, how soon this can this occur?
4. How soon can an inspection occur for the building to receive a Certificate of Compliance.

Thank you,

CC: Honorable Colleagues

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