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Before the Board of Public Works and Safety

Of the City of Hammond

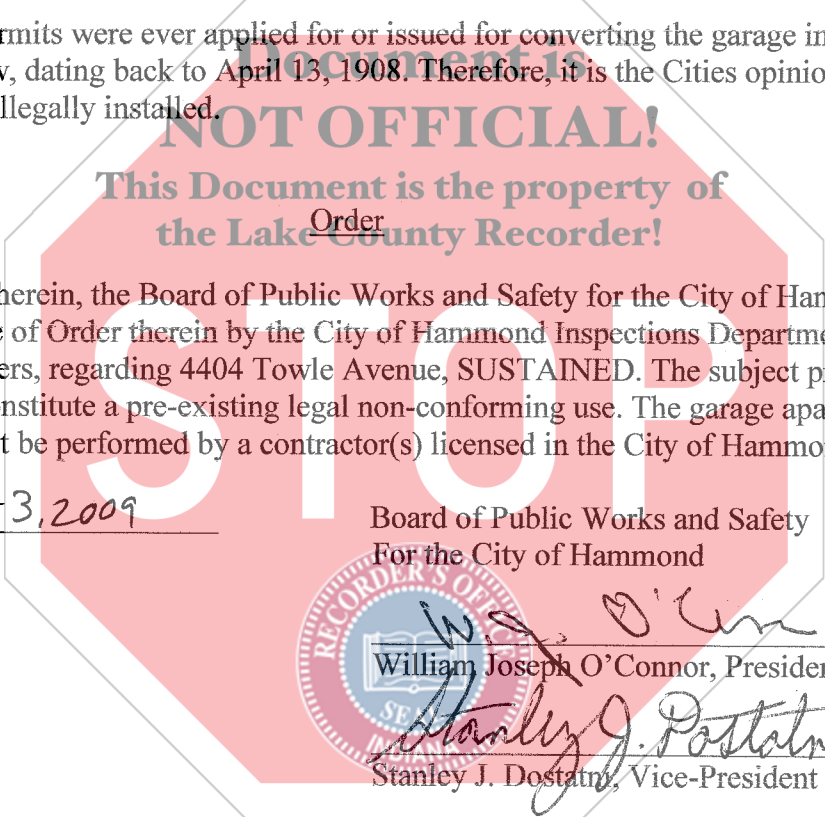
Re: 4404 Towle Avenue

November 19, 2009

Findings and Order

This matter comes before the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Hammond Indiana (Board) on a Hearing filed by Inspections Department on October 13, 2009, Notice of Abatement of the use of the garage apartment at 4404 Towle Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. The said notice was issued by the City of Hammond Inspections Department. Acting upon the Cities interest is Kelly Kearney, Commissioner of Code Enforcement, and Juanita Woods, Inspector from the Inspections Department. Owner of the property does not appear. Upon evidence presented the Board finds as follows.

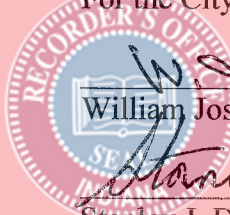
1. No Building Permits were ever applied for or issued for converting the garage into an apartment as required by Law, dating back to April 13, 1908. Therefore, it is the Cities opinion that this garage apartment was illegally installed.



Upon findings entered herein, the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of Hammond orders the Notice of Violation and Notice of Order therein by the City of Hammond Inspections Department dated October 13, 2009, to Chester Smithers, regarding 4404 Towle Avenue, SUSTAINED. The subject property as presently constructed does not constitute a pre-existing legal non-conforming use. The garage apartment must be removed and all demo work must be performed by a contractor(s) licensed in the City of Hammond. So ordered.

Dated: December 3, 2009

Board of Public Works and Safety
For the City of Hammond



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