

Misty Lown
3057 Edgewater Lane
La Crosse, WI 54603

February 3, 2014
City Clerk
400 La Crosse St.
La Crosse, WI 54601

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to apply for a Hardship Waiver regarding the recent Order to Correct I received from Inspector David Reinhart. The property in question is located at 1343 Wood St.

I purchased the property from my best friend's grandma's estate in August of 2009. I purchased the property with the intent to remodel and sell it.

I did a full remodel of the property including new wiring, new flooring, new wall coverings, new paint, and a relocation of a steep staircase to a safer rise and run. I completed the remodel by the end of September 2009 and put the house on the market.

The week we put the house on the market, we learned that a family from church was living in the New Horizons Women's Shelter and needed a home. So we opted not to pursue selling the home at that time and invited the family to become tenants, which they did for 6 months.

After the needy family vacated, we put it on the market and received three offers, all of which fell through on the buyer's end.

After sitting vacant for several months, we re-rented the house to another family from church beginning in August of 2010. The family stayed there until June of 2013 at which time they bought a house of their own and we put it on the market again. During this time we added a brand new stove, bathroom vanity and sink, and tub/shower.

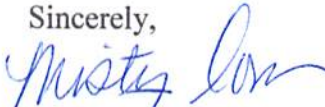
Again, we had three offers. Again, all three fell through due to buyer financing.

After sitting empty for four months and facing the winter, we decided to rent it again to another family we knew. This family is currently still renting the house.

I am asking for a Hardship Waiver to continue renting this property. We have invested over \$25,000 into remodeling this house to make it a suitable home for a family, but have not been able to sell it.

Thank you for your consideration. I can be reached during the day at (608) 769-4630 if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,


Misty Lown



Misty Lowe
3057 Edgewater Lane
La Crosse, WI 54603

February 3, 2014
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La Crosse, WI 54601

To: William H. Misty, Council

I am writing to apply for a hardship waiver regarding the recent Order to Correct I received from Inspectors David Reibman. The property in question is located at 1343 Wood St.

I purchased the property from my best friend's grandma's estate in August of 2009. I purchased the property with the intent to remodel and sell it.

I did a full remodel of the property including new wiring, new flooring, new wall coverings, new paint, relocation of a steep staircase to a safer rise and run. I completed the remodel by the end of September of 2009 and put the house on the market.

The week we put the house on the market we learned that a family from church was living in the home. The home's kitchen and needed a home. So we opted not to pursue selling the home at that time and invited the family to become tenants, which they did for 6 months.

After the family vacated, we put it on the market and received three offers, all of which fell through on the buyer's end.

After sitting vacant for several months, we re-rented the house to another family from church beginning in August of 2010. The family stayed there until June of 2013 in which time they bought a house of their own and we put it on the market again. During this time we added a brand new stove, bathroom vanity and sink and updated.

Again we had three offers. Again, all three fell through due to buyer financing.

I am asking for a hardship waiver regarding the waiver we decided to grant to the family. This family is currently still renting the house.

I am asking for a hardship waiver to continue renting this property. We have invested over \$22,000 into remodeling this house to make it a suitable home for a family, but have not been able to sell it.

Thank you for your consideration. I can be reached during the day in (608) 709-4630 if you have any further questions.

Misty Lowe

