



Meeting Basic Needs.
Building Stronger Communities.

April 23, 2015

To: City of Bloomington
Attn: Larry Lee/Community Development Director

Mr. Lee,

I know you are very familiar with VEAP and its mission of neighbors helping neighbors. VEAP appreciates all your personal service thru the years. You are well aware of our move into the new building at 9600 Aldrich in early 2014 and the tremendous impact and improvement it has had on our services.

We were recently thrown a curveball by the MPCA concerning an indoor air quality issue at the Aldrich site. I assume you know that our location is in the middle of a brownfield area designated by the MPCA. VEAP was told that our HVAC/air handling system that was installed during the renovation would mitigate any air quality issues.

Late last year, MPCA requested more testing be done and the results revealed a sub-slab vapor problem. Our environmental testing firm, Braun Intertec, estimated it would cost \$50,000 to test/install a migration system acceptable to the MPCA. This was a stunning revelation due to an already tight budget.

We recently became aware of potential grant money to help us cover some of the migration costs thru Hennepin County. The grant application requires a resolution of support from the City Council, which was forwarded to the planning staff earlier this week. Can you please get this request on the City Council agenda for their consideration? I would be happy to attend the meeting and answer any questions that arise.

Thank you for your attention to our request.

Best Regards,

Reed Nelson
VEAP Board Member
952.224.2082

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Reed Nelson", is written over the typed name and contact information.