

Inspection Services
P. Samuel Hoffses
Chief



Planning and Urban Development
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Director

CITY OF PORTLAND

March 25, 1996

Mr. James Price
154 Harris Road
Cumberland, Maine 04021

RE: 24 Mellen Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. Price,

Your application to make interior renovations on the 3rd floor has been reviewed and a permit is herewith issued subject to the requirements listed below. This permit does not excuse the applicant from meeting applicable State and Federal laws.

No Certificate of Occupancy will be issued until all requirements of this letter are met.

Please read and implement items 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 14 of the attached Building Permit Report.

If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

P. Samuel Hoffses
Chief, Code Enforcement Division

cc: Lt. McDougall, PFD

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT

DATE: March 25, 1996

ADDRESS: 24 Mellen Street, Portland, Maine

REASON FOR PERMIT: To make interior renovations

BUILDING OWNER: James Price

CONTRACTOR: Owner

APPROVED: Per items 4,5,6,7,9,
11 and 14

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. Before concrete for foundation is placed, approvals from Inspection Services must be obtained. (A 24 hour notice is required prior to inspection)
2. Precautions must be taken to protect concrete from freezing.
3. It is strongly recommended that a registered land surveyor check all foundation forms before concrete is placed. This is done to verify that the proper setbacks are maintained.
4. All vertical openings shall be enclosed with construction having a fire rating of at least one (1) hour, including fire doors with selfclosers.
5. Each apartment shall have access to two (2) separate, remote and approved means of egress. A single exit is acceptable when it exits directly from the apartment to the building exterior with no communications to other apartment units.
6. The boiler shall be protected by enclosing with one (1) hour fire-rated construction including fire doors and ceiling, or by providing automatic extinguishment. Sprinkler piping serving not more than six sprinklers may be connected to a domestic water supply having a capacity sufficient to provide 0.15 gallons per minute, per square foot of floor throughout the entire area. An INDICATING shut-off valve shall be installed in an accessible location between the sprinkler and the connection to the domestic water supply. Minimum pipe size shall be 3/4 inch copper or 1 inch steel. Maximum coverage area of a residential sprinkler is 144 square feet per sprinkler.
7. Every sleeping room below the fourth story in buildings of Use Groups R and I-1 shall have at least one operable window or exterior door approved for emergency egress or rescue. The units must be operable from the inside without the use of special knowledge or separate tools. Where windows are provided as means of egress or rescue, they shall have a sill height not more than 44 inches (1118mm) above the floor. All egress or rescue windows from sleeping rooms shall have a minimum net clear opening height dimension of 24 inches (610mm). The minimum net clear opening width dimension shall be 20 inches (508mm), and a minimum net clear opening of 5.7 square feet.
8. A portable fire extinguisher shall be located as per NFPA #10. They shall bear the label of an approved agency and be of an approved type.
9. All single and multiple station smoke detectors shall be of an approved type and shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of the City's Building Code, Chapter 9, Section 19, 919.3.2 (BOCA National Building Code/1993) and NFPA 101, Chapters 18 and 19. (Smoke detectors shall be installed and maintained at the following locations):
 - a. In the immediate vicinity of bedrooms
 - b. In all bedrooms
 - c. In each story within a dwelling unit, including basements

In addition to the required AC primary power source, required smoke detectors in occupancies in Use Groups R-2, R-3 and I-1 shall receive power from a battery when the AC primary power source is interrupted.

10. Private garages located beneath habitable rooms in occupancies in Use Group R-1, R-2, R-3 or I-1 shall be separated from adjacent interior spaces by fire partitions and floor/ceiling assembly which are constructed with not less than 1 hour fire resisting rating. Private garages attached side-by-side to rooms in the above occupancies shall be completely separated from the interior spaces and the attic area by means of 1/2 inch gypsum board or the equivalent applied to the garage side. (Chapter 4, Section 407.0 of the BOCA/1993)
11. Guardrail and Handrails-A guardrail system is a system of building components located near the open sides of elevated walking surfaces for the purpose of minimizing the possibility of an accidental fall from the walking surface to the lower level. Minimum height all Use Groups, 42 inches, except Use Group R which is 36 inches. In occupancies in Use Group A, B, H-4, I-1, I-2 M and R and public garages and open parking structures, open guards shall have balusters or be of solid material such that a sphere with a diameter of 4 inches cannot pass through any opening. Guards shall not have an ornamental pattern that would provide a ladder effect.
12. All exit signs, lights and means of egress lighting shall be done in accordance with Chapter 10, Section and Subsections 1023. and 1024. of the City's Building Code. (The BOCA National Building Code/1993)
13. Stair construction in Use Group R-3 and R-4 is a minimum of 9" tread and 8-1/4" maximum rise. All other Use Group minimum is 11" tread, and 7" maximum rise.
14. Headroom in habitable space is a minimum of 7'6".
15. The minimum headroom in all parts of a stairway shall not be less than 80 inches.
16. All construction and demolition debris must be disposed at the City's authorized reclamation site. The fee rate is attached. Proof of such disposal must be furnished to the office of Inspection Services before final Certificate of Occupancy is issued for demolition permit is granted.
17. Section 25-135 of the Municipal Code for the City of Portland states, "No person or utility shall be granted a permit to excavate or open any street or sidewalk from the time of November 15 of each year to April 15 of the following year".
18. The builder of a facility to which Section 4594-C of the Maine State Human Rights Act, Title 5 MRSA refers, shall obtain a certification from a design professional that the plans of the facility meet the standards of construction required by this section. Prior to commencing construction of the facility, the builder shall submit the certification to the Division of Inspection Services.
19. This permit does not excuse the applicant from obtaining any license which may be needed from the City Clerk's Office.

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Chief, Inspection Services

COMMENTS

4-9-97 - NO ACCSES / will call owner -
4-14-97 - OK to Close -

4/8/96 Checked W/P on
2nd floor walls OK to Close
in. Andy Met with Jim.
6/96 Did Plumbing insp. 3rd floor now.

Inspection Record

Type

Date

Foundation: _____
Framing: _____
Plumbing: _____
Final: _____
Other: _____