## Todd, Amber

From:

Martinelli, Gene

Sent:

Monday, April 13, 2015 11:00 AM

To:

Kim Marienthal

Cc:

Flynn, Rachel; Low, Tim; Taylor, Marie (Allene); Labayog, Edward; Sandercock, Deborah

Subject:

RE: Engineer letter for 669-671 24th St

**Attachments:** 

669,671 24th St. Engineer's Letter.pdf

Mr. Kim Marienthal,

I have reviewed your engineers report, from Monte Stott and Associates Inc. regarding the fire damage at 669/671 24<sup>th</sup> St. with my supervisor Tim Low. At this time we will allow limited access to remove personal belongings only, from all units except unit D at 669 24<sup>th</sup> St. and unit A at 671 24<sup>th</sup> St.

Thank you,

Gene Martinelli, Specialty Combination Inspector, City of Oakland, 510-238-2932

From: Kim Marienthal [mailto:kim@marienthal.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2015 4:41 PM

To: Martinelli, Gene

Cc: john@jgutierrezlaw.com

Subject: Engineer letter for 669-671 24th St

Hi Gene.

Find attached letter from the engineer who inspected 669-671 24th St. Let me know what happens next.

Kim Marienthal

Kim Marienthal Coldwell Banker, Top 1% Northern California (510) 981-3036 Work

DRE #00863747

Government Code See (2546) Revisoral Information In my opinion, the fire damage noted as well as the resulting increased seismic risk has rendered the two units at the right rear of the building uninhabitable (669 24<sup>th</sup> Street Unit D and 671 24<sup>th</sup> Street Unit A), as they are structurally unsafe. The other four units are structurally safe, but the habitability of these four units may be in question due to a number of factors associated with the fire, including mold from water intrusion, electrical issues associated with water intrusion, the "sooty" smell associated with the fire damage, etc. In my opinion, all of the units except for the right rear upper floor unit are safe enough for the tenants to enter and remove their belonging. The damaged belongings observed at the right rear upper floor unit should be removed only after repairs to the roof rafters, roof sheathing and associated roof/wall ties have been made.

I recommend that the fire damage be repaired as soon as possible to mitigate the structural risk associated with the fire damage. In my opinion, the City of Oakland would expedite the structural drawing review to accommodate a permit, as the proposed repairs would be classified as "emergency repairs/shoring."

Please don't hesitate to contact me if I may be of any further assistance on this project.

The items discussed are subject to revision should more information become available. This letter is based on a visual inspection of the property, and while we are experienced in this field and our opinions are based on our best professional judgment, it should be understood that there is no guarantee or warranty expressed or implied with this letter. This letter shall assume no liability, pending further tests and inspections and shall not be relied on as a definitive statement of the condition of the entire property. We were asked to make a brief inspection of the property and give an opinion regarding structural damage to the building associated with the 21 March 2015 fire. Unless otherwise described in this letter, we have not done a detailed investigation of construction drawings, structural dismantling, or testing of construction materials or underground investigations.

Very truly yours,

Monte Stott, P.E.

## Todd, Amber

From:

Crowe, Olga < Olga.Crowe@redcross.org >

Sent:

Thursday, March 26, 2015 5:37 PM

To:

Flynn, Rachel; Smukler, Chuck

Cc:

Silva, Ed; Low, Tim; Derryck, Erica; Moss, Tomiquia; Boyd, Karen; Low, Tim; Taylor, Marie

(Allene); Martinelli, Gene; kim@marienthal.com; Schaaf, Libby

Subject:

RE: 669 24th Street Fire-Evacuation

Rachel and all, thank you for keeping us all updated and in the loop.

Regards,

**Olga Crowe** 

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From: Flynn, Rachel [mailto:RFlynn@oaklandnet.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2015 5:31 PM **To:** Flynn, Rachel; Crowe, Olga; Smukler, Chuck

Cc: Silva, Ed; Low, Tim; Derryck, Erica; Moss, Tomiquia; Boyd, Karen; Low, Tim; Taylor, Marie (Allene); Martinelli, Gene;

kim@marienthal.com; Schaaf, Libby

Subject: RE: 669 24th Street Fire-Evacuation

Hello all – Inspector Gene Martinelli met with the property owner of 669 24<sup>th</sup> Street today – when he ran into him at the Red Cross. The owner's name is Kim Marienthal and he is copied on this e-mail.

The owner told our Inspector that the tenants want to get their belongings out of the building. Inspector Martinelli directed him to get a structural report from a licensed engineer who can verify that the building is safe to enter. Once the City gets that report from Kim, then the tenants can retrieve their belongings. So the ball is in Kim Marienthal's court.

Inspector Martinelli also discussed the requirements for re-occupancy of the building. I'll forward the City's Notice of Violation and re-occupancy requirements once I receive them.

Thanks, Rachel

Rachel Flynn AIA

Director | Planning & Building Department

City of Oakland 510 . 238 . 2229

From: Flynn, Rachel

**Sent:** Thursday, March 26, 2015 12:15 PM **To:** 'Crowe, Olga'; Flynn, Rachel; Smukler, Chuck

Cc: Silva, Ed; Low, Tim; Derryck, Erica; Moss, Tomiquia; Boyd, Karen; Low, Tim; Taylor, Marie (Allene); Martinelli, Gene

Subject: RE: 669 24th Street Fire-Evacuation

Tim, Marie, and Gene – Can one of you please contact the owner of 669 24<sup>th</sup> Street ASAP. His name is Kim and his # is Please let everyone copied on this e-mail know about your conversation with Kim and what his next

steps are. L'Government Code Bee 6254(c) fersonal informertue

Also, see if you can get his full name and his e-mail address. Thanks, Rachel

**From:** Crowe, Olga [mailto:Olga.Crowe@redcross.org]

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 12:00 PM

To: Flynn, Rachel; Smukler, Chuck

Cc: Silva, Ed; Low, Tim; Derryck, Erica; Moss, Tomiquia; Boyd, Karen

Subject: RE: 669 24th Street Fire-Evacuation

Rachel,

I spoke to the landlord of the 24<sup>th</sup> St buildings and he told me he has not had much luck with getting someone from the City help him with information. I didn't get into too much detail as to what that meant, but I am hoping you can offer me some guidance as to whom he should contact.

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Just in case, his name is Kim, and his number is Please let me know what I can suggest to him.

Regards,
Olga Crowe
Disaster Program Manager
American Red Cross
Northern California Coastal Region

Olga.Crowe@redcross.org

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Personal information

From: Flynn, Rachel [mailto:RFlynn@oaklandnet.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 22:03

To: Smukler, Chuck

Cc: Silva, Ed; Crowe, Olga; Low, Tim; Derryck, Erica; Moss, Tomiquia; Boyd, Karen

Subject: 669 24th Street Fire-Evacuation

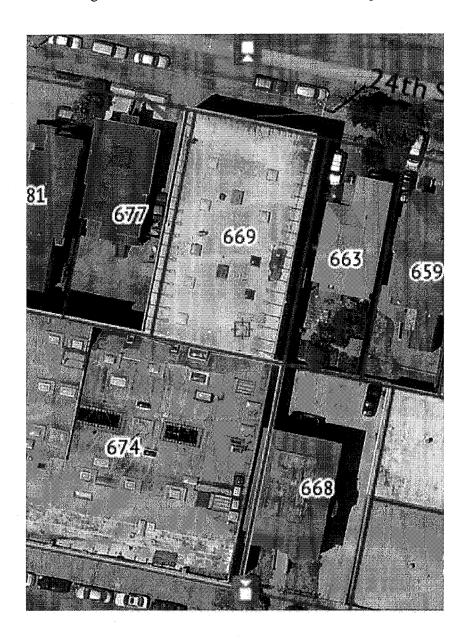
Chuck – Here is what our Building Official, Tim Low, just sent me. It is really up to the owner of 669 24<sup>th</sup> Street to get the utilities operative and allow re-occupancy.

Building at 669 24<sup>th</sup> St was red tagged. All units needed to be evacuated since utilities were cut off to the building due to the fire.

The goal is to isolate the electrical/plumbing system to enable partial opening of the building first. Owner has made appointment to meet with structural engineer and architect to come up with plan to rehab the units.

The back portion at 677 24<sup>th</sup> was yellow tagged for restricted access due to falling hazard from the fire damaged exterior wall from the neighboring building.

The building at 674 23<sup>rd</sup> St also suffered some structural damage.



From: Smukler, Chuck [mailto:chuck.smukler@redcross.org]

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 8:01 PM

**To:** Derryck, Erica; Flynn, Rachel **Cc:** Boyd, Karen; Silva, Ed; Crowe, Olga

Subject: Seeking to clarify status of occupancy for residents of the 23rd/24th Street Fire

## Rachel,

Thanks to Erica for the introduction. The Red Cross learned from the Armory building landlord that both buildings involved in the Saturday fire are now Red Tagged — information which I hope you can clarify. The Red Cross has been providing assistance to 31 people from that fire but our understanding up till this afternoon was that only 9 units were destroyed. However, if all of the affected occupied units are not habitable, the Red Cross and its partners will have a very different service challenge starting tomorrow

morning. It would be ideal if you could clarify (or direct me to the person who can) the status of both buildings regarding the accessibility to and availability for occupancy — short and long term. The immediate assistance and longer term recovery strategy that the caseworkers pursue with the clients tomorrow and at the Multi-Agency Service Center scheduled for Thursday at 4:00 - 6:00 PM will be very different if all the occupants can no longer return to their units.

Please call me the clients consistent and accurate information that will enable us to provide the clients consistent and accurate information that will assist them in moving forward with a recovery from the traumatic fire they experienced this weekend.

Thanks, in advance for your assistance.

Chuck

Chuck Smukler
External Relations
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American Red Cross Northern California Coastal Region
3901 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94611

Office Phone: 510.595.443

From: Derryck, Erica < EDerryck@oaklandnet.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 7:10 PM **To:** Smukler, Chuck; Flynn, Rachel

Cc: Boyd, Karen

Subject: RE: Seeking Your Advice on City of Oakland agencies to invite to a Multi-Agency Service Center for Occupants of

23rd/24th Street Fire

Hi Chuck and Rachel,

Connecting you two directly so Rachel, or a member of her team can update you Chuck on the red tag status so you're prepared to answer questions from bldg. residents tomorrow and Thursday during the Service Center hours. Please keep me looped in on your conversation so I know the latest. Thanks.

Best,

Erica

Erica Terry Derryck | Director of Communications | Office of Mayor Libby Schaaf | City of Oakland | One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza | 3rd Floor | Oakland, CA 94612 | Office: 510-238-7072 | Email: ederryck@oaklandnet.com

From: Smukler, Chuck [mailto:chuck.smukler@redcross.org]

Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 11:24 AM

To: Derryck, Erica

Cc: Crowe, Olga; Silva, Ed; mccredie@berkeley.edu; Hall, Pamela; Taylor, Connie

Subject: RE: Seeking Your Advice on City of Oakland agencies to invite to a Multi-Agency Service Center for Occupants

of 23rd/24th Street Fire

Erica,

Thanks for the information. I have reached out to Pamela Hall with a voice mail and hope to be soon talking with her directly. The Service Center is now confirmed for Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the Red Cross, 3901 Broadway. Partners that will be providing services and resources include the Food Bank, Salvation Army and Tzu Chi. We welcome other organizations/agencies that can assist our clients in recovering from the fire.

Thanks again for your suggestions and positive words!

Chuck

Chuck Smukler External Relations

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From: Derryck, Erica [mailto:EDerryck@oaklandnet.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2015 10:24 AM

To: Smukler, Chuck

Cc: Crowe, Olga; Silva, Ed; mccredie@berkeley.edu; Hall, Pamela; Taylor, Connie

Subject: RE: Seeking Your Advice on City of Oakland agencies to invite to a Multi-Agency Service Center for Occupants

of 23rd/24th Street Fire

Hi Chuck.

Thank you for reaching out. I am including Pamela Hall from the Oakland Housing Assistance Center on this email and her supervisor Connie Taylor.

Pamela has already been in touch w/ a few of the impacted residents. She will be a good person to loop in. Here is her contact information: [phall@oaklandnet.com; (510) 238-3125]. The Oakland Housing Assistance Center (<a href="http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/hcd/o/HousingAssistanceCenter/index.htm">http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/hcd/o/HousingAssistanceCenter/index.htm</a>) is located at 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza (directly across from Oakland City Hall bet. Clay and Telegraph in the Plaza off 15th St).

If Pamela isn't the best point of contact she can definitely point you toward someone on the team who can help. Please let me know if you need any additional assistance. Thanks again for all you're doing to coordinate this effort and provide ongoing service and support to the victims.

Best,

Erica

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From: Smukler, Chuck [mailto:chuck.smukler@redcross.org]

Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 4:52 PM

To: Derryck, Erica

Cc: Crowe, Olga; Silva, Ed; mccredie@berkeley.edu

Subject: Seeking Your Advice on City of Oakland agencies to invite to a Multi-Agency Service Center for Occupants of

23rd/24th Street Fire **Importance:** High

The Red Cross is organizing a multi-agency Service Center to assist the occupants affected by Saturday's fire. I write for your suggestions regarding the Mayor's Office or city agencies that might be interested in participating in the Service Center. The Service Center is an efficient way to link the Red Cross clients from the fire with other agencies and resources that might provide other additional recovery benefits and services. We have tentatively focused on Wednesday the 25th from 3:00 to 7:00 PM or Thursday from 4:00 to 6:00 PM as

possible times for a Service Center at the Red Cross office (3901 Broadway). An alternate time may be possible subject to the availability of agency participation.

The Red Cross is in discussion with its past Service Center partners, Alameda County Community Food Bank, Salvation Army, and Tzu Chi Buddhist Foundation, regarding participation in the proposed Service Center. The Mayor's interest and concern expressed when you and she visited the Red Cross on Saturday prompted the idea to contact you for your advice on how to best pursue if, and which, City of Oakland services or resources might be invited to participate in the proposed Service Center.

I welcome the opportunity learn of your advice regarding possible Mayor's Office or city agency participation. I can be reached directly by cell phone at 1 Government Code Sec. 6254(e) Personnal Units

Chuck

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