

## ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLOSED FOR TENANT ACCOMMODATION PURPOSES ORDER TO VACATE

To: Warren Hart "the Owner"

**And To:** All Occupant(s) of the following Housing premises:

**RE:** Those housing premises located in Ponoka, Alberta and municipally described as: 5608 51 Street.

WHEREAS I, an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services, have inspected the above noted premises pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Act, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

**AND WHEREAS** such inspection disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted premises which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder in any manner the prevention or suppression of disease, namely:

a. The bedrooms inspected (\*three of four) have windows that do not open to provide an unobstructed opening of 0.35 square meters (3.8 square feet).

**AND WHEREAS** such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act and the Housing Regulation, Alberta Regulation 173/99, and the Minimum Housing and Health Standards exist in and about the above noted premises, namely:

a. Windows in the bedrooms inspected do not open to provide an unobstructed opening of 0.35 square meters (3.8 square feet). This condition is in contravention of Section 3(b)(i and ii) of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: "For buildings of 3 storeys or less and except where a bedroom door provides access directly to the exterior or the suite is sprinklered, each bedroom shall have at least one outside window which may be opened from the inside without the use of tools or special knowledge" and "Windows referred to in section 3(b)(i) shall provide unobstructed openings with areas not less than 0.35 m<sup>2</sup> (3.8ft<sup>2</sup>), with no dimension less than 380 mm (15")."

**AND WHEREAS**, by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted premises are hereby declared to be **Closed for Tenant Accommodation Purposes**.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

- 1. That the occupants vacate the above noted premises on or before January 31, 2024.
- 2. That the Owner immediately undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted premises, namely:
  - a. Ensure that windows in the bedrooms provide an unobstructed opening of at least 0.35 square meters (3.8 square feet) with no dimension less than 380 millimeters

(15 inches) and are equipped with storm panes or other barriers to protect against cold weather during winter months.

3. That until such time as the work referred to above is completed to the satisfaction of an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services; the above noted premises shall remain closed for tenant accommodation purposes.

The above conditions were noted at the time of inspection and may not necessarily reflect all deficiencies. You are advised that further work may be required to ensure full compliance with the Public Health Act and regulations, or to prevent a public health nuisance.

\*The Executive Officer could not gain entry into the fourth bedroom. DATED at Ponoka, Alberta, January 9, 2024 Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Warren Hart on January 10, 2024.

Executive Officer Environmental Health Officer

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