



INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

11/26/2019

To: John Barr, City Attorney

From: Joe Meyers, Director of Economic Development

Subject: Inspection of 31 N. Washington, Déjà vu

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On November 20, 2020, the city conducted an inspection of the building 31 N. Washington through a search warrant. Present was Frank Daniels, John Roe, Victor Babowicz, Christopher Jacobs and myself. Additionally, attorney Matthew Hoffer, representing the building and business owner was present as well as many construction workers and one employee (insert name here)

On the inspection, we observed the following:

1. The entire north side of the building between the service doors and the north west entrance has been remodeled with wall partitions, electrical wiring and drywall. This was the area where the locker room was years ago.
2. The entrance at the front east side is now smaller due to an office area. This was the area where the fire was.
3. The store/entrance area was much larger in the past.
4. The basement in the past was used for storage. Now it is the only locker room with showers, a bathroom, and a laundry area.
5. All throughout the building we observed where building, plumbing, electrical and mechanical permits were not obtained and are needed. For example, a water heater installed 02/25/15 without permit was in a locked room where we were not allowed to inspect in November 2019.
6. We also observed several fire code violations like emergency doors being padlocked.

Please let me know when we can meet do discuss the next steps.