

File No.: 04-1000-20-2018-398

July 31, 2018

s.22(1)

Dear s.22(1)

Re: **Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")**

I am responding to your request of July 23, 2018 for:

**Copy of the Underground Storage Tank Removal permit and Underground Storage Tank Removal form submitted to the City for 543 East 10th Avenue.**

All responsive records are attached. Some information in the records has been severed, (blacked out), under s.22(1) of the Act. You can read or download this section here: [http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws\\_new/document/ID/freeside/96165\\_00](http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00)

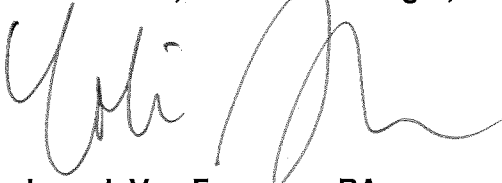
Under section 52 of the Act you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your request. The Act allows you 30 business days from the date you receive this notice to request a review by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, [info@oipc.bc.ca](mailto:info@oipc.bc.ca) or by phoning 250-387-5629.

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with: 1) the request number assigned to your request (#04-1000-20-2018-398); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request for information sent to the City of Vancouver; and 4) detailed reasons or grounds on which you are seeking the review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto:foi@vancouver.ca) if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

**Cobi Falconer, FOI Case Manager, for**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cobi Falconer', written over the typed name of the sender.

**Barbara J. Van Fraassen, BA  
Director, Access to Information & Privacy**

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453 W. 12th Avenue Vancouver BC V5Y 1V4  
Phone: 604.873.7999  
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# Underground Tank Removal Permit

## FI-2016-00115

Issue Date: Mar 03, 2016

Application Date: Mar 03, 2016

Start Date:

| <b>Applicant</b>  | <b>Place Name</b> | <b>Location of Permit</b>                  |
|---|-------------------|--|
| SNR TANK REMOVAL SERVICE<br>6179 DAWSON ST<br>BURNABY, BC V5B 2W5 |                   | 543 E 10TH AVENUE<br>Vancouver, BC V5T 2A3 |

Specific Location:

### Work Description

TO REMOVE 1 TANK ON SITE. CAPACITY IS 2800 L. SETBACK IS 8' N. BOTTOM OF TANK AT 84". TYPE OF LIQUID IS PETROLEUM

### Terms and Conditions

- The work under this permit is authorized pursuant to the Fire By-Law.
- For fuel dispensing site or known contamination site, clearance from Environmental Protection Branch is required.
- If work cannot be completed in the same day, the owner must follow requirements of Section 8.2 of the Building By-Law for Protection of the Public and Fire Safety on fencing off construction sites.
- Tank removal must comply with subsection 4.10.3 of the Vancouver Fire By-Law.
- For removal: the tanks, together with connected piping and dispensing equipment, shall have all combustible or flammable liquids removed. The tanks and piping must be removed from the ground and purged of vapours. The pipe ends must be permanently sealed by capping or plugging.
- Separate building permit for excavation and shoring, plus modified geotechnical engineer's letter.
- Clearance is required from the Engineering Department, Street Division, for work affecting...
- This permit will become incomplete if any of the following conditions are not met:
  - Work authorized by the permit is not commenced within 90 days from the date of issuance.
  - Work has been substantially discontinued for a period of 90 days.
- The premises shall be kept in a safe manner with guards, shoring, etc. as required by the Occupational health and Safety Regulation and City By-Laws.
- Inspection is required by Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services.
- If the soil surrounding the storage tank is contaminated, the soil shall be replaced with clean fill.
- Environmental Final Closure Report and clearance required.
- Underground storage and removal shall be done in accordance with good engineering practice.
- Backfill with clean soil required.
- Construction must be carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Noise Control By-Law No. 6555



# Underground Tank Removal Permit

FI-2016-00115

## Terms and Conditions

- Contractor or homeowner must be on site for the inspection by Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services.

- To book an inspection call 311 from within Vancouver or 604.873.7000 from outside Vancouver. The 311 Centre is open 7 days a week from 7am to 10pm, 365 days a year. Also, our 24 hour Building Inspections booking request message line is 604.873.7058. For information on how to use it, please contact the 311 Centre.

## Permit Fees

| Description              | Amount   | Tax Amounts | Fee Total | Fee Adjs | Pmts and Adjs | Balance |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|----------|---------------|---------|
| Underground Oil Tank Fee | \$300.00 |             | \$300.00  | \$0.00   | \$300.00      | \$0.00  |
|                          |          |             |           |          | Total:        | \$0.00  |



# Underground Tank Removal Permit

## FI-2016-00120

Issue Date: Mar 04, 2016

Application Date: Mar 03, 2016

Start Date:

| <b>Applicant</b>   | <b>Place Name</b> | <b>Location of Permit</b>                  |
|--|-------------------|--|
| CERC TANK REMOVAL LTD<br>210 Carisbrooke Crescent<br>North Vancouver, BC V7N 2S1 |                   | 543 E 10TH AVENUE<br>Vancouver, BC V5T 2A3 |

Specific Location:

### **Work Description**

removal of a underground oil tank; capacity 350gal; setback 5ft; bottom of tank 7ft.

### **Terms and Conditions**

- The work under this permit is authorized pursuant to the Fire By-Law.
- For fuel dispensing site or known contamination site, clearance from Environmental Protection Branch is required.
- If work cannot be completed in the same day, the owner must follow requirements of Section 8.2 of the Building By-Law for Protection of the Public and Fire Safety on fencing off construction sites.
- Tank removal must comply with subsection 4.10.3 of the Vancouver Fire By-Law.
- For removal: the tanks, together with connected piping and dispensing equipment, shall have all combustible or flammable liquids removed. The tanks and piping must be removed from the ground and purged of vapours. The pipe ends must be permanently sealed by capping or plugging.
- Separate building permit for excavation and shoring, plus modified geotechnical engineer's letter.
- Clearance is required from the Engineering Department, Street Division, for work affecting...
- This permit will become incomplete if any of the following conditions are not met:
  - Work authorized by the permit is not commenced within 90 days from the date of issuance.
  - Work has been substantially discontinued for a period of 90 days.
- The premises shall be kept in a safe manner with guards, shoring, etc. as required by the Occupational health and Safety Regulation and City By-Laws.
- Inspection is required by Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services.
- If the soil surrounding the storage tank is contaminated, the soil shall be replaced with clean fill.
- Environmental Final Closure Report and clearance required.
- Underground storage and removal shall be done in accordance with good engineering practice.
- Backfill with clean soil required.
- Construction must be carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Noise Control By-Law No. 6555



# Underground Tank Removal Permit

**FI-2016-00120**

## **Terms and Conditions**

- Contractor or homeowner must be on site for the inspection by Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services.

- To book an inspection call 311 from within Vancouver or 604.873.7000 from outside Vancouver. The 311 Centre is open 7 days a week from 7am to 10pm, 365 days a year. Also, our 24 hour Building Inspections booking request message line is 604.873.7058. For information on how to use it, please contact the 311 Centre.

## **Permit Fees**

| Description              | Amount   | Tax Amounts | Fee Total | Fee Adjs | Pmts and Adjs | Balance |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|----------|---------------|---------|
| Underground Oil Tank Fee | \$300.00 |             | \$300.00  | \$0.00   | \$300.00      | \$0.00  |
|                          |          |             |           |          | Total:        | \$0.00  |

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## Tank Removal/Abandonment Permit Application

Business License: #475438 \_\_\_\_\_

Property use: residential \_\_\_\_\_

Associated Building Permit: # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of liquid:  Gas  Petroleum

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| Requested Activity or Service |
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Remove \_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_ tank(s) on site. Capacity (gal/L): \_\_\_\_350\_\_\_\_5 Setback: \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_\_ bottom of tank

\_\_\_\_\_

Abandon \_\_\_\_ tank(s) on site. Capacity (gal/L): \_\_\_\_\_ Setback: \_\_\_\_\_ bottom of tank \_\_\_\_\_



**FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES**  
**FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION**  
 #306 - 456 W. Broadway  
 VANCOUVER, B.C. V5Y 1R3

**TANK REMOVAL Permit Application**

FI 2016-00115

Please fill out boxed area only:

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|--|--|
| Property Address: <u>543 EAST 10 AVENUE, VANCOUVER</u>   |  |
| Permit Applicant: (please print)<br>Name: <u>SNR TANK REMOVAL SERVICE</u><br>Address: <u>6179 DAWSON STREET</u><br>City: <u>BURNABY</u> Postal Code: <u>V5B 2W5</u><br>Phone: <u>604 313 8998</u><br>Contractor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business License No: <u>295066</u><br>Owner <input type="checkbox"/><br>Other <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: _____  | Property Owner: (please print)<br>Name: <u>s.22(1)</u><br>Address: _____<br>City: _____ Postal Code: _____<br>Phone: _____   |
| Use of Property <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Permit _____ Type of Liquid- _____<br><u>SFD</u> Associated: BU _____ (gasoline <u>petroleum</u> )<br>Eng. Letter - Yes / No _____   |  |
| Requested Activity or Service: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Below <input type="checkbox"/> Above Ground<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remove <u>1</u> tank(s) on site. Capacity (gal) <u>2800</u> Setback <u>8'N</u> bottom of tank <u>84"</u>   |  |
| <b>Permit Conditions and Notes:</b><br>001 THE WORK UNDER THIS PERMIT IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO THE FIRE BY-LAW.<br>030 For removal: the tanks, together with connected piping and dispensing equipment, shall have all combustible or flammable liquids removed. The tanks and piping must be removed from the ground and purged of vapors. The pipe ends must be permanently sealed by capping or plugging.<br>040 Tank removal must comply with subsection 4.10.3 of the Vancouver Fire By-law.<br>910 Construction must be carried out in compliance with the provisions of Noise Control By-law No. 6555.<br>994 1. This permit shall expire if:<br>(a) Work authorized by the permit has not commenced within 90 days from the date of issuance; or<br>(b) Work has been substantially discontinued for a period of 90 days.<br>2. The premises shall be kept in safe manner with guards, shoring, etc. as required by the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation and city by-laws.<br>3. Environmental Final Closure Report and clearance required.<br>4. Backfill with clean soil required.<br>5. Underground storage tank removal shall be done in accordance with good engineering practice.<br>6. Contractor must be on site for the inspection by the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services. |  |
| <b>Additional Notes:</b><br>915 To book an inspection call 3-1-1 from within Vancouver, or 604-873-7000 from outside Vancouver. The 3-1-1 Centre is open 7 days a week from 7AM to 10PM, 365 days a year. Also, our 24 hour Building Inspections booking request<br>• Message line is 604-873-7058. For more information on how to use it, please contact the 3-1-1 Centre   |  |
| Application is:<br><br>ACCEPTED BY (sign) _____ &<br>WITNESSED (print name) _____<br>Signature of Applicant <u>[Signature]</u><br>Date of Application: <u>3 MARCH 2016</u>   | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>THIS IS NOT A PERMIT</b><br/><br/>           Permit Fee: \$300.00<br/>           Account Code: 490200<br/>                             23800 9200<br/><br/>           Date Entered: _____         </div> |

NOTE: This permit application is valid for TANK REMOVAL ONLY. Should abandonment be required, approval from City of Vancouver Environmental Planning must be obtained.





July 11, 2018

Jordon Dhahan  
6312 ELM ST  
VANCOUVER BC V6N 1B3

Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: 543 E 10th Avenue - Fire Permit – FI-2016-00115**

This letter is to inform you, as the owner of the above noted premises, that the Fire Permit obtained by SNR TANK REMOVAL SERVICE to remove an underground storage tank (UST) at the property has expired, and that the fire and environmental hazards associated with a UST remains outstanding.

The work covered by the permit is incomplete and fails to meet the conditions of the Fire Permit. An incomplete permit could prevent issuance of future permits from the City, until all Fire Permit conditions are met. Property owners applying for a rezoning, development or building permit will be asked to disclose the presence or absence of an underground storage tank on the subject property, and home owners may be required to provide documentation that an underground storage tank was removed in accordance with a permit. An incomplete permit may also affect the sale of the above property.

The Fire Permit is incomplete due to:

- No inspection called for;
- A Closure Report has not been submitted to the Environmental Protection Team upon removal of the tank and soil testing for contamination.

The Fire Permit has expired under the provisions of the Fire By-law, which states in part:

- (a) The Fire Chief may impose conditions on permits including time limits and expiry of permits,
- (b) A permit shall expire and the rights of the owner under the permit shall terminate on the expiry date noted on the permit, and
- (c) No person shall carry out work for which a permit is required, on or in a building or premises unless a valid permit exists for the work.

Work shall not proceed until a new permit is obtained from this Department. In order to clear the fire and environmental hazards from our files on the property, **you must apply for a new Fire Permit to remove the UST and submit the Environmental Final Closure Report.**

If you require assistance please call 604.873.7035.

Yours truly,

Rick Cheung, P.Eng.  
Assistant Chief