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Subject: RE: 400 E Randolph St - Mayor's building-code-scofflaw-list

According to our records, there was a permit issued on 09/16/2014 for unit #3603. Permit# 100560798. The permit was issued minor remodeling to kitchens and baths. As far as the permit being displayed, the Chicago Building Code states: Post Permit in a Conspicuous Place. In my experience in High-rise buildings the permit is usually on display at the ground floor lobby, in the Management office or in the Building Engineer's office.

The posting of permits is a necessary requirement, however the enforcement of such is a difficult one especially in your building type. I am not aware of anything we can do to force your Building Manager to furnish the permit information to you, although I do find it queer that Management is withholding information.

Someone will call you tomorrow, late morning, and hopefully you can guide us to entry of unit# 3601-3603.

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Gilliat Fry [mailto:fry@aya.yale.edu]  
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 1:05 PM  
To: Franckowiak, Scott; Ronzio, Jim  
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I stopped by the Building Department (there at City Hall) last Friday, February 6, and previously on Friday, January 30. And I have called "311" twice hoping to get a response about over two months of noisy construction work in our building at 400 E Randolph Street.

No building permits are either displayed or available from management for condo owner/resident viewing. It all seems to be a "big secret."

Sandy, in your office, suggested I e-mail you.

Am I right or wrong in thinking that building permits need to be posted? I am from New York, and permits must be displayed there, but I don't know about Chicago.

Among a number of specific current examples have been months of reconstruction of Unit 3601 (below us) plus unexpected balcony activity and installation of new outside windows. Also I am increasingly concerned about combustible materials -- kerosene torches and construction debris -- being stored on the 40th floor landing of the West fire stairway.

Needless to say, I am getting a little "nuts" on all of this! Can you help? Are permits required? Do these have to be displayed or at least available on request for viewing? And if the management continues to deny residents access to construction information, is there anything the Department of Buildings can do?

I would be (very) happy to point out my concerns if anyone from the building department could stop by. (It is only a short walk from City Hall.)

Thank you.

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