From: Kevin Clark

To: \*CI-StPaul Contact-Council

 Subject:
 Assessment #233000 File #SWRP2301

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I am contacting you concerning Property Address 1448 Hazel St N - Parcel ID #23-29-22-24-01665 Assessment - Sanitary Sewer Line Repair.

Sewer Line was invaded by tree roots under front boulevard and plugged, backing up into home basement. It was determined by remote camera that measures distance that the root invasion was clearly caused by trees planted by the City of St. Paul on the boulevard over the 36 years I have owned my home. I have no other trees in my front yard.

Line was repaired by installing a liner inside line by Hero Company, resulting in a \$8755.50 charge.

I have faithfully cleaned up the leaves from YOUR trees for 36 years and don't mind doing this, **but I do object to this assessment being my responsibility.** I didn't plant the trees above the sewer line - the city did, and clearly they knew, or certainly should have known, they were planting directly above the line.

My wife and I are both in our late 60's and on limited income - I ask that the City of Saint Paul accept responsibility for their oversight and accept responsibility for this repair.

Regrettably I am not able to attend the council meeting on January 18 to discuss this with you in person.

Thank you for considering my request - I will await your reply -

Kevin J Clark