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**Subject:** Re: 1029 Raymond Ave.Lindquist RS Ltr.7-19-22  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 19, 2022 5:09:28 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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**Think Before You Click:** This email originated **outside** our organization.

Hello,

I get you were unexpectedly out of the office. I get Marcia was sick unexpectedly. But why can't I get ahold of anyone when I reach out about this decision? I've tried since 4 hours after the original recommendation was made. Please give me a call at your earliest convenience tomorrow. PS - I called the 266-8585 number and didn't get my call answered either.

**I believe I am in the right based on the information you provided, I don't believe utilities should be included. I'd like to proceed with the 15% increase approval but if need be, I'll bring in my lawyer to discuss the utilities.**

From the definitions provided:

Rent = money charged for a rental unit;

Rental unit = the physical space and utilities connected to it - meaning that even if the electric wiring is not in the unit, it's connected to the unit and therefore part of the unit.

Housing services -> I agree with the definition you provided.

Therefore, if the ordinance limited rent **and the cost of housing services** increases to no more than 3%, I'd agree with you, but it strictly states rent and nowhere mentions housing services.

Everything you provided me has made me more confident in my position.

Matt

On Tue, Jul 19, 2022 at 8:43 AM Zimny, Joanna (CI-StPaul)  
<[joanna.zimny@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:joanna.zimny@ci.stpaul.mn.us)> wrote:

Good morning,

Please see attached, noting the noon deadline should you wish to address Council directly but are unable to attend in person.

Additionally, I would like to acknowledge the multiple voicemails you left yesterday. I was unexpectedly out of the office on the 18th, while also noting the 266-8585 number was directed to call in all previous letters.

Thank you,

Joanna



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