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To: \*CI-StPaul LegislativeHearings

Subject: Letter giving input to August 8, 2024 Hearing regarding 342 Bates Ave.; owner: Kingdom Results/ Dustin Osdoba

**Date:** Monday, August 5, 2024 2:32:25 PM

I am a neighbor of 342 Bates, the property owned by Dustin Osdoba. My address is 705 Fourth Street East, across the street (kitty corner) from 342. I saw the City Council agenda with the photos of the garbage bin. And I laughed! That is NOT what we neighbors and what the many people who come through our neighborhood's arterial streets normally see. Normally there are two to four garbage bins and recycling bins filled to overflowing, at least one lid missing for months from a bin. The overflow of garbage remains piled on the street for weeks - clothes, broken furniture, garbage....I won't go into the work bucket of maggots that was left next to the public walk for weeks.

This pattern wasn't the one bin shown in the contractor's photo. This has been going on for as long as Mr. Osdoba has owned the property. At least two of us neighbors have been calling the City of Saint Paul, Waste Management, DSI, attempting to educate Mr. Osdoba on his responsibility as an owner/landlord, and bring to his attention how this affects the safety and quality of life living around his property.

We have talked with his renters/residents about this and a list of other topics not included in this hearing (including his tenant throwing firecrackers at a neighbor and her home: including late night outdoor parties with liquor bottles being thrown into the street and his 'guests' collapsing on the boulevard.

I strongly request that Mr. Osdoba's request of removing the financial penalty be denied. He has consistently responded to his neighbors as an owner/a neighbor, who does not hold any regard or respect for others. He does not live here and has no idea of what neighbors and visitors must look at every single day of their lives.

I also request a neighborhood conflict resolution meeting. Perhaps a civil meeting of listening and exchanging ignorance for knowledge would be amenable with others involved.

Sincerely
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