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St Paul City Council Members:

I am writing to document my vehement objection to the proposed assessment of \$3106 on my property (601 Fairview Ave S) for the Mill And Overlay of Fairview Avenue between Randolph and Edgcumbe. Fairview is NOT a quiet neighborhood street used mostly by residents. It is a major thoroughfare servicing St Kates , SPA and the MSP airport to name a few. It is inconceivable to request individual property assessments to finance this project. My property is NOT "benefited" rather it is devalued by the heavy traffic.

I have lived at this property for 40 years. My property taxes go up and the the city services degrade every year. A 15% increase is proposed as well as a new sales tax that is supposed to be designated for roads. I was under the impression that a judge ruled against the city in May of 2022 regarding these types of assessments. Fairview street repair expenses should come from general funds and NOT individual assessments as the overwhelming majority of the wear and tear on this road comes from non residents. The pedestrian traffic comes from the whole neighborhood NOT just the property owners on Fairview!

Please vote NO on individual property assessments for this project.

Regards Barbara Fleig 601 Fairview Ave S

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Might I suggest, as an additional source of funds, the assessment of the bikers for the millions that have been spent on their HOBBY. That would be much more fair, appropriate and long overdue.

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