



City of Saint Paul

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Staff Report

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Hearing

Appeal of Special Tax Assessment for 687 COTTAGE AVENUE EAST for Project #: J1105E,
Assessment #:118037 in Ward 6.

..Property Address

Legislative Hearing Officer Recommendation

Delete the assessment per DSI.

Tax Assessment Worksheet

Cost: \$50.00

Service Charge: \$20.00

Total Assessment: \$70.00

Gold Card Returned by: Nam Dinh

Type of Order/Fee: EC

Nuisance: Failure to store trash container in the rear of the bldg and not in the street.

Date of Orders: November 5, 2010

Compliance Date: November 11, 2010

Re-Check Date: November 12, 2010

Date Work Done: NA

Invoice # 873214

Returned Mail?: November 15,2010 Ec bill returned for msp investments

Comments: Owner had Red Arrow trash company and Mondays are the only day container
should be out front. Nam Dinh may be a new owner and assessment stayed with property.

History of Orders on Property: No

Legislative Hearing Notes (if any)

Delete the assessment per DSI.

Nam Dinh and Sara Trotter appeared.

Inspector Essling reported that the assessment for 687 Cottage Avenue East is for failure to store the trash container in the rear of the building and not in the street. The Order was sent November 5, 2010 with a compliance date of November 11, 2010. The Order stated that the container could not be stored in the City right-of-way unless it is the day of pick-up. It must be stored in the back or side of house at all times. It was re-checked and found to be still in the street. A \$50 Excessive Consumption fee plus a service charge of \$20 for a total of \$70 was charged for non-compliance. A photo was introduced. The Correction Notice was sent to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Company, Occupant and MSP Investments.

Ms. Trotter stated that they didn't purchase the house until December 29, 2010. At the time of closing, no mention was made of this assessment.

Mr. Essling stated that the inspector's notes are not very clear. On the initial inspection, he notes, "Container in front of house; not sure what pick-up day is." Upon reinspection, he doesn't indicate that he has checked to determine the pick-up day. He recommends deleting this assessment.