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Subject: Objection to 2023 Residential Mill and Overlay Assessment , Cretin Bayard Phase 1 and 2
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Dear Mayor Carter and Ms. Moore,

Please find attached my letter of objection to the 2023 Residential Mill and Overlay Assessment, Cretin Bayard Phase 1 and 2. This email / letter replaces the July 17 email / letter in its entirety.

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Re: Objection to 2023 Residential Mill and Overlay, Cretin Bayard Phase 1 and 2

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546 Mt Curve Boulevard, Parcel ID 08-28-23-42-0047, File #MO2303

I am/ we are the property owner(s) at 546 Mt Curve Boulevard.
This is to object to the above assessment on the following grounds:

1. Milling and Overlay are street maintenance and thereby general government functions to be funded out of general tax revenues.
2. The Milling and Overlay assessment is in conflict with the 2016 Minnesota Supreme Court decision in the case of First Baptist Church of St. Paul, et al., vs City of St. Paul.
3. The Mill and Overlay work does not add additional value to the individual property. This assessment is therefore in conflict with the City Charter. See Judge Awsumb's ruling in City Court 2022.
4. Real estate taxes in St. Paul are high and in the Highland neighborhood continue to rise disproportionately to the services residents receive. Mill and Overlay is part of street maintenance and should be covered by property taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

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