

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on the **2nd day of November 2011 at 5:30 pm** in the Saint Paul City Council Chambers, City Hall and Court House, Saint Paul, Minnesota. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the level of service for Right-of-Way Maintenance to be performed in the City of Saint Paul in 2012 and to consider the cost of such service to be charged against benefitted properties in accordance with Chapter 62 of the Administrative Code.

The particular service to be performed and the estimated costs as proposed by the Department of Public Works are as follows:

CLASS 1-A - DOWNTOWN STREETS

Description:

Class 1-A service will be performed on all downtown streets (face of curb to face of curb) within the following boundaries: Kellogg Boulevard on the south and west, Eleventh Street on the north, and Broadway on the east (except streets listed in Class 1-B, Downtown Streets (Brick)).

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

The downtown streets will be vacuum swept approximately two times per week (one time on east/west streets and one time on north/south streets). All routine maintenance, including patching and repairing of street surfaces, sidewalk repairs, traffic signs, pavement markings, boulevard tree maintenance, streetlight maintenance, and snow plowing will be performed on an as-needed basis.

Proposed Assessment:

Under Class 1-A service there are two proposed assessment rates. For all properties (except residential condos), the proposed rate is **\$17.78** per assessable foot. The proposed rate for residential condominiums is **\$3.42** per assessable foot.

CLASS 1-B - DOWNTOWN STREETS (BRICK)

Description:

Class 1-B service will be performed on all downtown brick streets (face of curb to face of curb): St. Peter St., from Kellogg Blvd to Sixth St.; Wabasha, from Kellogg Blvd to Sixth St.; Fourth St., from St. Peter to Wabasha; Fifth St., from St. Peter to Wabasha; Sixth, from St. Peter to Wabasha; Market St., Kellogg Blvd to Fourth St.; Market St., Fifth St. to Sixth St.; Washington St., Kellogg to Fourth St.; Fourth St., St. Peter St. to Washington St.; Fifth St., Market to St. Peter St.; Sixth St., Market to St. Peter St.; Kellogg Blvd., north side; Wabasha St, just west of Minnesota (Wild) Club and adjacent to Xcel Arena; and Kellogg Blvd., south side: Seventh St to the RiverCentre Parking Ramp.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

The downtown streets listed above will be vacuum swept approximately two times per week (one time on east/west streets and one time on north/south streets). All routine maintenance, including patching and repairing of the brick street surfaces, sidewalk repairs, traffic signs, pavement markings, boulevard tree maintenance, streetlight maintenance, and snow plowing will be performed on an as-needed basis.

Proposed Assessment:

Under Class 1-B service there are two proposed assessment rates. For all properties (except residential condos), the proposed rate is **\$21.52** per assessable foot. The proposed rate for residential condominiums is **\$3.42** per assessable foot.

CLASS 2 - OUTLYING COMMERCIAL AND ARTERIAL STREETS

Description:

Class 2 service will be performed on all outlying commercial and arterial streets in the City. These are the major arteries in the City and have both heavy volumes of vehicular and pedestrian traffic and, in most cases, have business or commercial properties fronting on them. Typical examples would be as follows: University Avenue, Snelling Avenue, West Seventh Street, East Seventh Street, Rice Street, Payne Avenue, Arcade Street, Summit Avenue, Grand Avenue, and others. All of these Class 2 streets are accurately defined on a map available for viewing in the Department of Public Works, 900 City Hall Annex.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

The Class 2 streets will be swept approximately 6 to 10 times per year. All routine maintenance, including patching and repairing of street surfaces, sidewalk maintenance, tree trimming, streetlight maintenance, and snow plowing will be done on an as-needed basis. Includes mowing miscellaneous city right-of-way parcels.

Proposed Assessment:

Under Class 2 service there are two proposed assessment rates. The commercial property proposed rate is **\$8.97** per assessable foot and the residential property proposed rate is **\$3.65** per assessable foot.

CLASS 3 - ALL RESIDENTIAL STREETS

Description:

Class 3 service will be performed on all residential streets including oiled streets, paved streets and intermediate type streets.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

Residential streets, including oiled, paved and intermediate streets, will receive a thorough cleaning in the spring which includes sweeping and flushing. Patching and repairing street surfaces, sidewalk maintenance, tree trimming, streetlight maintenance, and snow plowing will be done on an as-needed basis. **Due to increases in the cost of fuel and materials along with citywide budget reductions, all residential streets (oiled and paved) will now be chip sealed on a 10 year cycle. One-tenth of these residential streets (a total of 51 miles) will be chip sealed each year.** In the fall, leaves will be picked up from these streets. Includes mowing miscellaneous city right-of-way parcels.

Proposed Assessment:

Under Class 3 service there are two proposed assessment rates. The commercial property proposed rate is **\$6.61** per assessable foot and the residential property proposed rate is **\$3.42** per assessable foot.

CLASS 4 - ALL OILED AND PAVED ALLEYS

Description:

Class 4 service will be performed on all oiled, paved and intermediate type alleys within the City.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

All oiled, paved and intermediate alleys will be swept once each summer. All routine maintenance, including patching and repair of the alley surface, will be performed on an as-needed basis. **Due to increases in the cost of fuel and materials along with citywide budget reductions, all alleys (oiled and paved) will now be chip sealed on a 10 year cycle. One-tenth of the total number of alleys (approximately 203 alleys) will be chip sealed each year.**

Proposed Assessment:

Under Class 4 service, there are two proposed assessment rates. The commercial property proposed rate is \$1.23 per assessable foot and the residential property proposed rate is \$0.78 per assessable foot.

CLASS 5 - UNIMPROVED STREETS

Description:

Service will be performed on all unimproved streets. By unimproved, we mean those streets that have not been developed for one reason or another. They are platted City rights-of-way; however, the abutting residents have never petitioned for their improvement nor have there been any assessments levied. Because they are City rights-of-way, the City has the responsibility to perform minimal repairs and maintenance work on them to reduce any hazards or potential hazards.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

The maintenance and repair of these streets consists of patching, minor blading, placing of crushed rock and other stabilized material, tree trimming, and snow plowing in order to make them passable and reduce hazards.

Proposed Assessment:

The proposed assessment rate on unimproved streets is \$3.28 per assessable foot for commercial property and \$1.85 per assessable foot for residential property.

CLASS 6 - UNIMPROVED ALLEYS

Description:

Service will be performed on unimproved alleys. By unimproved we mean those alleys that have not been developed for one reason or another. They are platted City rights-of-way; however, the abutting residents have never petitioned for their improvement nor have there been any assessments levied. Because they are City rights-of-way, the City has the responsibility to perform minimal repairs and maintenance work re reduce hazards.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

The maintenance and repair of these alleys will consist of patching, minor blading, placing of crushed rock and other stabilized material in order to make them passable and reduce hazards.

Proposed Assessment:

The proposed assessment rate on unimproved alleys is \$0.59 per assessable foot for commercial property and \$0.40 per assessable foot for residential property.

CLASS 7 - ABOVE STANDARD LIGHTING

Description:

Class 7 service will be performed in above standard street lighting districts in downtown and outlying commercial areas.

Proposed 2012 Level of Services:

Pay for above standard electricity use; repair knockdown street lights; repair broken ducts; maintain, repair, and clean fixtures; replace outages; relamping; paint the lighting system on approximately seven year cycle and complete any other maintenance as needed to maintain the above standard street lighting.

Proposed Assessment:

The proposed assessment rates for each above standard street lighting district are shown on attached sheet. (See Page 5)

**Above Standard Street Lighting
Operation and Maintenance Costs 2011/2012**

FILE NUMBER	LIGHTING DISTRICT	DESCRIPTION	NO. OF PARCELS	EST 2011	ACTUAL 2011	EST 2012	TYPE
18321	0070	Lowertown	773	\$2.70	\$2.81	\$2.82	c
18336	0071	Selby/Western	71	\$199.71 \$40.01 \$0.85	\$196.00 \$39.20 \$0.78	\$217.00 \$43.40 \$0.87	condos/commercial condos/residential r
18390	0072	Ford/Cleveland	87	\$2.97 \$0.65	\$3.09 \$0.62	\$3.25 \$0.65	c r
18392	0073	Grand-East I	193	\$2.68 \$0.53	\$2.92 \$0.58	\$2.93 \$0.59	c r
18423	0074	Grand-West	50	\$1.97 \$1.17 \$0.38	\$2.25 \$1.35 \$0.45	\$2.49 \$1.49 \$0.50	c - commercial i - institutional r - residential
18425	0075	Grand-East II	107	\$2.16 \$0.42	\$2.35 \$0.47	\$2.60 \$0.52	c r
18430	0076	North Wabasha	64	\$3.75	\$3.53	\$3.53	c
18434	0077	Smith Avenue	23	\$1.35 \$0.27	\$1.46 \$0.29	\$1.47 \$0.29	c r
18525	0079	Selby/Dale	123	\$0.85 \$0.17	\$1.06 \$0.21	\$1.18 \$0.24	c r
18550	0100	Concord Phase I	15	\$1.20 \$0.24	\$1.16 \$0.23	\$1.18 \$0.24	c r
18607	0101	River Park Plaza	7	\$6,719.22	\$6,410.49	\$6,760.79	one owner/7 parcels
18588	0103	Selby No. 2	90	\$0.77 \$0.46 \$0.14	\$0.71 \$0.43 \$0.14	\$0.80 \$0.48 \$0.16	c - commercial i - institutional r - residential
18590	0104	Wabasha/St. Peter	500	\$3.15 \$1.79 \$1.05	\$3.80 \$2.17 \$1.29	\$3.99 \$2.27 \$1.36	multi-globe 10th St Condos/Multi single-globe
18612	0105	Univ/West/Mack	30	\$0.95 \$0.19	\$1.02 \$0.20	\$1.13 \$0.23	c r
18626	0106	Snelling/Randolph	19	\$0.49	\$0.51	\$0.57	c
18634	0107	E7th/Payne/Mhaha/Men	65	\$0.96	\$0.99	\$1.00	c
18709	0108	CHCH	1	\$1,284.00	\$1,412.40	\$1,563.77	one parcel
18778	0109	United/Children's	25	\$0.52	\$0.51	\$0.52	c
18859	0110	Como/Snelling	16	\$1.04 \$0.20	\$1.04 \$0.21	\$1.04 \$0.21	c r
18803OP	0112	Dale/Univ-Mhaha-Hatch	88	\$0.45 \$0.09	\$0.47 \$0.09	\$0.48 \$0.10	c r
18886OP	0113	Hamline Univ	1	\$1,332.15	\$1,464.83	\$1,464.83	one parcel
18906OP1	0116	Downtown Acorns	36	\$2.08	\$2.04	\$2.21	c
18992	0117	4th/Minnesota	1	\$582.62	\$529.65	\$529.65	one parcel
19000	0118	W7th/Munster-Madison	28	\$1.25	\$1.51	\$1.67	c
19012	0120	Suburban/WB-Ruth	19	\$0.82	\$0.99	\$1.10	c
19021OP	0121	White Bear/Beech-Reaney	66	\$3.10 \$0.55	\$3.07 \$0.61	\$3.40 \$0.68	c r
19027OP	0122	Rice/Sycamore-Rose	88	\$0.95 \$0.21	\$1.03 \$0.21	\$1.15 \$0.23	c r
19036	0123	White Bear/Hoyt-Larp	16	\$1.59	\$1.75	\$1.76	c
19085	0124	Payne/Whitall to Orange	68		\$1.77 \$0.35	\$1.79 \$0.36	c r