City of Saint Paul



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Staff Report

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Hearing

Appeal of Special Tax Assessment for 1130 CENTRAL AVENUE WEST for Project #: J1108A, Assessment #:118015 in Ward1

Legislative Hearing Officer Recommendation Payable over 2 years

Tax Assessment Worksheet

Cost: \$336.00

Service Charge: \$140.00

Total Assessment: \$476.00

Gold Card Returned by: JoAnn Shegog

Type of Order/Fee: SA

Nuisance: Failure to maintain exterior property

Date of Orders: November 17, 2010

Compliance Date: November 23, 2010

Re-Check Date: November 30, 2010

Date Work Done: December 1, 2010

Work Order #: 10-928078

Returned Mail?: No

Comments:

History of Orders on Property: orders on vehicle also on November 17, 2010

Legislative Hearing Notes

Payable over 2 years

JoAnn Shegog appeared.

Inspector Essling reported that 1130 Central Avenue West is a Summary Abatement Notice

mailed November 17, 2010 with a compliance date of November 23, 2010. It was re-inspected November 30 and found to be in non-compliance. The work was done December 1, 2010 for a cost of \$336 plus \$140 service charge for a total of \$476. Note: including pile of household items, brush, wood, tires and refuse - rear yard. Additionally, a Correction Notice was sent (Nov 17) prior to the Summary Abatement with a compliance date of November 23, 2010.

Ms. Shegog stated that she is here for clarification. She had hired someone to tear down the garage. She got a roll-off; unfortunately, it didn't accommodate the total amount of refuse; so, then, she had someone come out on November 22, 2010, to remove stuff, so she is not sure who picked up what.

They viewed the video which showed sandbags, concrete, tires, debris, trash and the clean-up.

Ms. Shegog responded that she is perplexed. Mr. Essling commented that some of the stuff had been removed before the clean-up. He will try to get a copy of the video for her. Ms. Shegog stated that she did put forth the effort to get the work done; she is asking for some consideration of time. She is asking not to be penalized for her effort. The City will provide Ms. Shegog with a copy of the invoice for the work so that she can make the case with the people that she hired to do the work. Ms. Moermond responded that it is her responsibility to balance Ms. Shegog's responsibility as a property owner with the responsibility of the tax payers, as a whole, in this situation. She doesn't think that the taxpayers, as a whole, should pay part of this when it's really a private matter, in her view. If the Council ratifies this, then Ms. Shegog can either pay the bill within sixty (60) days or it will roll onto the property taxes for 2012. It will accrue interest at 4.75%.

Ms. Moermond will recommend approval, payable over two (2) years.