

## Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

---

**From:** Colleen Halpine <colleenhalpine@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 1, 2019 9:34 AM  
**To:** \*CI-StPaul\_LegislativeHearings  
**Subject:** Appeal letter Re:Assessment # 190051 prop id 01-28-23-0017 Q4 2018  
**Attachments:** Property 01-28-23-0017 hearing letter 110 Virginia .jpg; Unused garbage cans April 2019.jpg

Dear Mai,

I am not able to appear at my hearing scheduled for May 2, 2019 and instead would like the attached letter and picture entered into the record for my appeal of Q4 2018 assessment.

Thank you,  
Colleen Halpine  
110 Virginia St

Colleen Halpine  
110 Virginia St  
St Paul, MN 55102  
colleenhalpine@gmail.com

RECEIVED  
MAY 03 2019  
CITY CLERK

May 1, 2019

Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer  
City of St Paul  
Room 310 City Hall-Court House

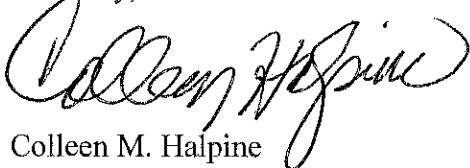
Sent via email to: [legislativehearings@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:legislativehearings@ci.stpaul.mn.us)

Re: Assessment # 190051  
Property Address 110 Virginia St  
Property ID Number 01-28-23-0017

Objections to the Assessment:

1. (Ordinance 18-39) Chapter 220 is not a legally enforceable ordinance as this ordinance is subject of a lawsuit that was filed in Ramsey County District Court in February 2019. Processing of delinquent garbage bills as assessments against properties should be suspended, pending the final outcome of litigation and a possible referendum.
2. I am not using the garbage service, I have other legal means to dispose of trash. Therefore, city is not providing any service and my property is not benefiting from a city service. Minn. Stat. Chapter 429 refers to benefits to the property. Unneeded and unused garbage carts are not a benefit to my property. Attached is a picture of the carts which I took April 9, 2019 showing the carts are taped shut as delivered last Fall. They are available to be picked up if the City would like to do so. They are taking up valuable space in my garage.
3. My Garbage bill is \$400/year higher than what I was paying before the negotiated contract began in Oct 2018 when the city negotiated contract started.
4. Unneeded, mandated garbage containers does not encourage waste reduction, recycling and composting.
5. These unneeded and unused containers are a waste of taxpayers' money. Garbage hauler fee have increased \$7 million/year with this contract. This makes no sense and needs to be changed.

Sincerely,



Colleen M. Halpine

Attachment: Picture taken April 9, 2019 showing unused city garbage containers

110 Virginia St

