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Title: Appeal of Special Tax Assessment for 668 FOURTH STREET EAST for Project

#: J1106E, Assessment #: 118051 in Ward 7.

Notes:

Agenda Date: 04/19/2011

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Sponsors: Lantry Enactment Date:

Attachments: 668 4th St E CN 4.4.11.DOC, 668 4th St E ECM Financials Included?:

1.3.11.DOC, 668 4th St E ECM photo 1.3.11.DOC

Contact Name: Hearing Date:

Entered by: joel.essling@ci.stpaul.mn.us Ord Effective Date:

Approval History

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Action Text: Referred Under Master Resolution

Notes: Approve the assessment.

George Trembolck, Quality Residences, appeared.

Inspector Essling reported that the assessment for 668 Fourth Street East (13-unit apartment building) is a fee for Excessive Consumption (fifth violation in previous twelve (12) months). Orders were issued on January 3, 2011 for garbage and refuse outside the garbage container. Photos were entered. Mr. Essling stated that it has been an on-going issue. The cost is \$20 plus a service charge of \$50 for a total of \$70. On April 5, 2011, Code Enforcement issued the owners a notice that they

were going to be inspected weekly due to the refuse outside the container.

Mr. Trembolck explained that they started with a dumpster at this site but it got to be a problem because Viola's truck couldn't squeeze in to pick it up and they could only pick it up on Mondays and Fridays. They exchanged the dumpster for five cans that would be picked up Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. That did fix the problem so they ordered another can. He said that he is there mornings and evenings to pick up. They get a lot of dumping from other parts of the community because they know that stuff is picked up in the mornings. Quality Residences feel as though they are being harassed; they know who's making the complaints; it's been an on-going issue and they feel as though they are being treated unfairly. They don't know what else they can do to alleviate this problem beside stay there overnight.

Inspector Seeley reported that there is a continual complainer in the area. The complaints came in about the dumpster, then about the cans. She has spoken with the people in the building, and she doesn't believe that there's illegal dumping because every one of the neighbors has an ample container and she doesn't see dumping at neighboring properties. She goes out every week to get photos. She thinks it would help if the people pushed the garbage down. If someone has large items to trash, they should call Mr. Trembolck right away.

Ms. Moermond noted that these seem to be founded complaints and they have justified Orders. Ms. Seeley stated that it has gone to problem properties. Ms. Moermond commented that this was exactly the kind of circumstance that the Excessive Consumption Ordinance was meant to deal with. She said that she isn't able to solve this problem for Quality Residences. She advised Mr. Trembolck to work with the tenants and the inspector; perhaps daily pick-up would help to solve the problem.

Ms. Moermond will recommend approval of this assessment.

Text of Legislative File ALH 11-471

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Assessment #: 118051 in Ward 7.

Cost: \$20.00

Service Charge: \$50.00

Total Assessment: \$70.00

Gold Card Returned by: George T.

Type of Order/Fee: Excessive consumption-Multiple-fourth violation in previous twelve months

Nuisance: Garbage and refuse outside container

Date of Orders: 1.3.11

Compliance Date: n/a

Re-Check Date: n/a

Date Work Done: n/a

Work Order #: n/a

Returned Mail?: No

Comments: Open file for same violations

History of Orders on Property: Five orders issued in previous twelve months including open file with

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orders issue 4.4.11.