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St. Paul City Council:

I was shocked to receive a letter in the mail that the city intends to bill Fairview owners to re-pave Fairview, an arterial street. Fairview Avenue disproportionately benefits the entire community – not residents who happen to own property on this heavily trafficked thoroughfare. As such, the City must rethink this unfair and logically bankrupt proposal to have Fairview residents foot the bill. I understand the last time this happened – roughly 10 years ago – the City did not assess Fairview residents a significant amount of money, perhaps just a couple hundred dollars. This time around, the proposed invoice for my residential lot is a staggering \$4,348. The City's logic 10 years ago was sound – this proposal on the other hand is an outrage.

I will attend the July 26<sup>th</sup> hearing to voice my firm objection to this unfair cost allocation as will every Fairview neighbor I've contacted. In the interim:

- I would like to see the traffic data for Fairview compared to side streets.
- I would also like to see data on the mill and overlay projects – in particular, the frequency and cost differentials for re-paving projects – heavy-use arterial streets v. side streets.

Regards,

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