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From: Rachel Kats <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Assessments (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Re: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments
Attachments: Kats assessment 208107 2.pdf

I've attached the invoice. It literally says "On Wednesday, February 3, 2021 the City Council approved the assessment for ..."

On Mon, Feb 15, 2021 at 4:22 PM Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Ms. Kats,

It is for March 2nd.

See resolution and highlighted attached.



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From: Rachel Kats <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 12, 2021 5:32 PM
To: Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Re: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments

I received an invoice for J2008B, \$322. It said the City approved it Feb. 3, 2021. Below you indicated it would be taken up March 2. Also, I didn't see my communications associated with it online. What is going on?

On Feb 10, 2021, at 1:23 PM, Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Can you call the Recycle Main Line to check on that. The number is listed below.

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From: Rachel Kats <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:31 AM
To: Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Re: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments

...Okay, but the City didn't even provide a recycling bin. It's legal to charge for a service that isn't provided?

On Wed, Feb 10, 2021 at 9:22 AM Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Here is what Assessment Office staff said:

"Recycle bills are not assessments and not billed out by our office. They are automatically added to the taxes each year.

Recycle Charge on the Tax statement cannot be appealed. If they have questions beyond what we can provide, then we can forward them to the Recycle Main Line 651-266-6199. (\$60.24 Recycling Charge covers the cost for our recycling program)

Solid Waste Charge on the Tax statement cannot be appealed. If they have questions beyond what we can provide to them we can forward the caller to the Delinquent Garbage Main Line 651-266-6101.

(\$24.60 Solid Waste Charge- covers garbage program administration, cost of debt payment for carts, and to fund the bad debt payments to the haulers)”

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From: Rachel Kats <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 2:41 PM

To: Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

Subject: Fwd: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments

I'm following up on the email I sent a few weeks ago, regarding a \$60.24 assessment I received for 2021 recycling for an empty lot.

Could you let me know when the notice of the charge was sent to me, I don't recall ever receiving it in mail? Also, why is recycling charged when there isn't a structure on the property? A bin wasn't even dropped off. I'm being charged and for literally nothing.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Rachel Kats** <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2021 at 10:20 AM
Subject: Re: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments
To: Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

Thank you.

Regarding the \$60.24 for 2021 Recycling on a property that has no house, (or Recycling bin for that matter), can you tell me when the notice for this charge was sent to me? I never received it.

On Mon, Jan 25, 2021 at 6:22 PM Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Hello Ms. Kats,

I have reviewed all the assessments mentioned below:

- **\$192.00**, project number J2008B (assessment number 208107) – I will schedule this for a **Legislative Hearing on 3/2/21**
- **\$322.00**, project number J2014A (assessment number 208513) – I will schedule this for a **Legislative Hearing on 3/2/21**
- **\$322.00** project number J2017A (there wasn't an assessment notice sent for this but it's online). **I will schedule this for a Legislative hearing on 3/2/21. I will call you by telephone between 9 and 11 a.m. Once I put the files together, I will send you materials related to the assessments and videos and police report, if any, for the boarding.**

- **\$60.24**, assessment number 219996. This shows that it has already been applied. It's for 2021 Recycling on a property that doesn't have a house or garage. (I never received a notice for this, again I only discovered it via the city's assessment website). **There is no hearing for Legislative Hearing on this matter. If you missed the Council Public Hearing Noticed on this**

The assessments below were adopted by Council in 2020 which has now been certified to the Ramsey County Property Taxes. Therefore, we cannot rehear these assessments.

- \$208.16, assessment number 208100 (original amount was \$192)
- \$511.36, assessment number 208101 (original amount was \$472)
- \$526.42, assessment number 208103 (original amount was \$487)
- \$349.12, assessment number 208500 (original amount was \$322)

From: Rachel Kats <rachel.m.kats@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 24, 2021 12:04 PM

To: Assessments (CI-StPaul) <Assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

Subject: 31 Winter St Proposed Prop Assessments

Greetings,

I've attached written comments regarding the proposed property assessments for 31 Winter Street, Saint Paul, MN 55103. This letter is for the Council's consideration during the Feb. 3, 2021 scheduled public hearing.

Best,

Rachel Kats