Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

From:	Panzer, Tanya (CI-StPaul)
Sent:	Wednesday, January 13, 2021 12:41 PM
То:	Assessments (CI-StPaul)
Subject:	RE: Graffiti Removal Assessment 433 S Robert

The following Graffiti Removal J2101P/218400 was paid on 10/29/2020 in the amt of \$237.46 by the following – Alison Kirwin 1025 105th st w Inver grove heights, MN 55077 6124236863 funblackcatmn@gmail.com

Tanya J Panzer

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Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 11:41 AM
To: Panzer, Tanya (CI-StPaul) <tanya.panzer@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: FW: Graffiti Removal Assessment 433 S Robert

Hi Tanya, Has any assessments come through on this yet? I can't find any pending assmt?



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From: tim johnson <<u>timogrigio@yahoo.com</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 11:14 AM
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Council Members,

I own the 433 S Robert Street building that was tagged during the time period of May 21 to July 2, 2021 It is my understanding that you want to charge me \$237.46 for graffiti that was put on my building by an individual or individuals who committed the criminal act of vandalism.

Please know that the procedure as long as I have owned this building was:

Letter is sent to me to notify that graffiti needs to be removed/painted over by a set date, by me, or city will send out someone to remove/paint over. There will be no charge for this service letter states.

If that policy has changed, I would reasonably expect to be notified of that change in advance instead of being charged for something I was unaware is chargeable, months after the criminal act occurred.

Under no circumstances am I interested in paying hundreds of dollars, I work very hard and for many hours to earn \$237.46 in after tax income, for graffiti removal that would have taken less than 10 minutes to accomplish. The area painted over was on a 4'x8' sheet of plywood covering up a window, in anticipation of civil unrest.

Going forward, if the city can't afford to fund the graffiti abatement, then the fair and proper thing tp do is:

1) Change the policy or law.

2) Notify property owners of said changes in advance of implementation.

This allows me to know that I have to remove the graffiti myself or I will be charged an excessive rate for city removal. I will remove it myself every time, if this is the new policy/law.

If in fact the city is now going to be charging for abatement, it would be helpful to know what type of paint/materials are best suited to abatement during Winter months as nothing I can purchase at local hardware or Menards/Home Depot can be used when temperature is below 32F

Sincerely,

Tim Johnson Fun Black Cat Properties LLC 612.275.2176