

Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)

From: Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2019 2:06 PM
To: Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Subject: FW: 647 Central Avenue West - Clean up Assessment
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Below is his response.

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From: Jessica Connors [mailto:jmconno2003@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 6:13 PM
To: Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul) <mai.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Re: 647 Central Avenue West - Clean up Assessment

Good Morning,

Thank you for getting back to me. I would like to set it for the 5 years please. I am going to attend the next hearing, as I'm trying to also get fees that were not mine removed. I closed September 28, 2018. I can understand paying what's due of mine but the city imposing those fees on a first time homebuyer who has also paid to rehab the home. It's a financial burden at this time. I've taken a day off work to attend and will be at the next hearing.

In the instance they do not reduce the fee at the next hearing I am requesting the 5 year spread to help alleviate the stress of the amount imposed. This is really disheartening the city imposes fees in which a homebuyer had no knowledge of until a bill came, and is aware Fannie Mae does this to home buyers. There is nothing to protect us and our city does not see us as a value moving in a home that is vacant and they are not receiving taxes on and other fees that would be absorbed otherwise.

Thank you again for the follow-up it is much appreciated. Apologies for my long message but I am just really disappointed and disheartened by my city not to help me but hurt me financially to pay fees that could have been adjusted to what is actually mine from time of closing in September of this past year.

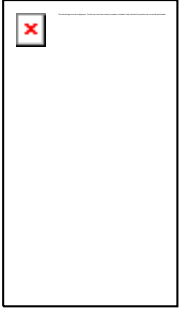
Have a great rest of your day.

Jessica Connors

On Wed, Jan 16, 2019, 8:16 PM Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul) <mai.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Hello Jessica Connors,

You attended a Legislative Hearing on Tuesday, January 8. Marcia Moermond, Legislative Hearing Officer, stated she will get back to you on the Vacant Building Fee. At that time, the inspector was not sure of the time period for when the vacant building fee covered. Ms. Moermond reviewed the record and stated that the VB fee for April 2017-2018 was assessed and shows on the 2018 Property Tax Statement for the property. This vacant building fee covers for April 2018-2019; therefore, Ms. Moermond is going to recommend approval of the assessment. Please let me know if you wish to spread the payments over number of years. The max she can spread payments over is 5 years.



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