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To: Prince, Jane (CI-StPaul); Swanson, Christopher (CI-StPaul)
Cc: Greg Oppegard; Harr, Stephanie (CI-StPaul); Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul); Heintz, Polly (CI-StPaul)
Subject: RE: Greg Oppegard - 667 Surrey, 55106

All,

There was a legislative hearing on this assessment this morning. Staff reported that the hauler asked that the late fees be removed, decreasing the bill by \$30.73 – from \$355.63 to \$324.90. I understood from staff this was what the Mr. Oppegard was seeking. We can definitely get him on the agenda again to more fully discuss his concerns. I will suggest next Thursday, 4/23 at 10 AM and we will call him between 10 and 11.

Mr. Oppegard, you did not include a phone number in your appeal information with Public Works, so we weren't able to reach you this morning. Can you please let us know the best number to reach you at during that time slot?

Thank you, Marcia

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Marcia and Christopher,

I have been in touch with the property owner at this rental property, Greg Oppegard, who is copied here.

Greg can correct me if I am wrong with these details. But it is my understanding that he received a notice at his business address in January that he had not paid his trash bill at 667, informing him that it would be assessed to his property taxes. He contacted Republic (and Christopher) and told them he had never received any bills for trash ever, either at 667 or at the address the city has for him (where he rec'd *this* assessment notice).

Apparently the person he talked to at Republic looked back at their records and that it looked like they may have been sent to the wrong address. In any event, he took care of that late bill and resolved that issue.

He reached out to me to say that he learned as a result of the January notice, that he never received any of the bills for service at 667 since the inception of the program. Therefore, he did not pay them, he never received notices of assessment hearings or that these assessments were going on his property taxes.

I explained to Greg, that if these charges had already been assessed to his property taxes, that there was probably little that we could do to un-do assessments for service that he received. However, it did occur to me that if he were not receiving these notices, there may be some redress for him. And it seemed that we could easily determine this by looking at our records of what letters we think we sent to him, and the address to which they were sent.

Please let me know your thoughts. Greg, let us know if I didn't get this just right,

Jane



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