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Subject: Objection to Assessment #245203
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Dear Assessment Office:

I am writing to formally object to the special assessment proposed for grading, paving, and lighting improvements associated with the project affecting 78th 10th Street in the City of Saint Paul. This assessment appears on the notice I received, dated 8/14/25, regarding improvements on or near my property located at 78 10th Street E #610.

I object to this assessment for the following reasons as alternative funding options should be considered. Street improvements of this nature benefit the public broadly, and it may be more appropriate to fund them through general taxation or municipal/state resources rather than placing the full burden on adjacent property owners. Prior to owning this property in St Paul, we owned a property in South Minneapolis for 11 years. In all our time at that property, we never received the amount of tax assessments, in fact we never received any assessments for public projects, as I have from the city of St Paul. Our tax basis is the same in St Paul as it was on a single family home in South Minneapolis. I would like a detailed report of how our tax dollars are applied in the city of St Paul as they do not seem to be applied to public projects of this nature.

Given these concerns, I respectfully request that the City Council reconsider the amount and applicability of the assessment against my property. I would like to reserve my right to appeal further should this objection not result in a favorable adjustment.

Please confirm receipt of this letter.

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