



City of Saint Paul

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Staff Report

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Hearing

Appeal of Special Tax Assessment for 1923 FREMONT AVENUE for Project #: J1103B,
Assessment #: 8008 in Ward 7

..Property Address

1923 Fremont Ave

Cost: \$57.80

Service Charge: \$140.00

Total Assessment: \$197.80

Gold Card Returned by: Ma Lee Vang

Type of Order/Fee: Boarding

Nuisance: Unsecure vacant building-08/06/2010: *Compliance Recheck - Eastside door and
basement window open to entry. Send SA

Date of Orders: 8/7/10

Compliance Date: 8/13/10

Re-Check Date: 8/18/10

Date Work Done:8/19/10

Work Order #: 12852

Returned Mail?:

Comments: VB File opened on 3/12/10 (Cat 1) and closed on 9/9/10

History of Orders on Property:

03/17/2010 : 03/17/2010 Garbage Rubbish WO created: PA 10-123233

Remove filled plastic bags, toys, misc refuse and debris from yard.

03/17/2010 : Boarding WO Printed: 03/17/2010

08/19/2010 : Boarding WO Printed: 08/19/2010

Legislative Hearing Officer Recommendation

Approve the assessment.

Ma Lee Vang appeared.

Inspector Joel Essling reported that this is a Boarding at 1923 Fremont Avenue. There were Orders issues August 7, 2010 with a compliance date of August 13, 2010. It was re-checked on August 18, 2010 and found to be in non-compliance. The Work was done on August 19, 2010 for a cost of \$57.80 plus a service charge of \$140 for a total of \$197.80.

Ms. Vang stated that she didn't close on this house until August 27, 2010. At the time of the Boarding, she was at most, only a potential buyer. Ms. Moermond asked to whom notification was sent. Mr. Essling responded that Notice was sent to City Mortgage, Regal Blvd, Irving, TX. Ms. Moermond stated that if notification had gone to the previous owner after Ms. Vang had purchased it, this notification wouldn't have been proper. In this case, notification went to the previous owner during the time that they still owned it, which was a proper notification. It was the previous owner's responsibility to take care of this situation and she suggested that Ms. Vang work to get money back from the previous owner because they should have paid for this. They are also responsible to disclose at the time of closing, any Orders, etc. that exist on the property. It might be something that Ms. Vang's realtor or Title Insurance Company could help her with.

Ms. Moermond asked staff to get together a packet of information that Ms. Vang could use to talk with her realtor about this. Ms. Essling replied that they will send her a copy of the Summary Abatement Order and the invoice. Ms. Vang provided her email address.