

Vang, Mai (CI-StPaul)

From: Assessments (CI-StPaul)
Sent: Friday, January 22, 2021 4:23 PM
To: 'Joe Cox'; Vang, Janie (CI-StPaul)
Cc: Assessments (CI-StPaul); Naylor, Racquel (CI-StPaul); Moermond, Marcia (CI-StPaul)
Subject: RE: 2469 University Ave W; File No.: J2102P
Attachments: Graffiti Waiver.07.doc; 2469 University Ave W.Graffiti Abatement Order.6-30-20.pdf; 2469 University Ave W.Photos .pdf

Mr. Cox,

My apologies for not seeing your email from January 7. As stated in your email, your public hearing is scheduled for City Council on January 27, 2021 @ 3:30 p.m. but live testimony will not be taken at this time; however, if you wish to appeal, the Legislative Hearing Officer will ask the City Council to refer the matter to **Tuesday, February 2, 2021 between 10 am and 12 pm via telephone**. We usually deletes graffiti assessments if a graffiti waiver is on file with the Dept of Safety and Inspections. I have attached a copy. If you want to fill out the form and return to me, we will have the fee deleted (Not sure if you filled one out already). If you still wishes to attend the Feb 2nd hearing, please let me know.



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From: Joe Cox <joe@mbspagency.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Vang, Janie (CI-StPaul) <janie.vang@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
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Subject: Fwd: 2469 University Ave W; File No.: J2102P

Office of City Council President,

Based on the January 27th, 2021 City Council Meeting Agenda, a number of graffiti abatement assessments are set to be ratified at the next meeting. As the owner of 2469 University Ave W, legally "JR Partnership", I see that my property inaccurately remains on that list. This is concerning.

You'll see from my forwarded email below, sent to assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us January 7th after receiving initial notice of abatement assessment dated January 5th, we promptly contested this assessment. This assessment is erroneous. To date, I have not received even the slightest of response.

The city's assessment refers to graffiti that had been on the building for less than 12 hours. Our building was re-graffitied in the night immediately following the remediation of the graffiti that is subject to the original complaint.

As you should already be well aware of, University Ave is subject to a high frequency of vandalism. In addition to owning this office property, I work here every day; I appreciate prompt mitigation of graffiti, as it prevents future vandalism, but also eliminates the detraction of a professional image.

The city's assessment is erroneous and should be canceled. At the very least, someone should have had a discussion with me, or responded to my email, before this became a matter of official city agenda. Again, I am asking that this inaccurate assessment be withdrawn.

Regards,
Joe Cox
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From: **Joe Cox** <joe@mspagency.com>
Date: Thu, Jan 7, 2021 at 3:11 PM
Subject: 2469 University Ave W; File No.: J2102P
To: <assessments@ci.stpaul.mn.us>

St. Paul File No.: J2102P
Assessment No.: 218401
Property Address: 2469 University Ave W
Parcel ID No.: 29-29-23-34-0025

To Whom It May Concern,

We received a letter for the above-described assessment dated 1/5/21, which inaccurately references graffiti abatement occurring in July of 2020.

Our building is frequently a victim of graffiti. Our on-staff caretaker remedies this graffiti within 5 working days or less. We understand that prompt removal of graffiti is a method for discouraging future vandalism.

Your recent inaccurate assessment is for graffiti that was on the building for less than 12 hours. The building was re-graffitied shortly after remediation of the original vandalism.

I am asking you to recognize the error in this assessment and rescind your order for such.

Regards,
Joe Cox

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