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Ms. Meghan Quinn & City Council Members
Offices of the Saint Paul City Council
310 City Hall
15 Kellogg Boulevard West
Saint Paul, MN 55102

RE: **Alarm Permit Holders**

Dear Ms. Quinn and City Council Members:

The proposed fee increases for Alarm Permits and False Alarms are outrageously absurd!

The Alarm Permit fee increase, proposed, is over 100%! This is unacceptable! The False Alarm fee increase, proposed, is 100%! Also, unacceptable! I totally OBJECT to these proposed fee increases!!

The average working person certainly does not get a salary increase of 100%. Senior citizens on fixed incomes, like me, absolutely do not receive Social Security income COLA's of 100%.

A 10% fee increase should be adequate. If the City wants to increase revenue, why not issue tickets to motorists and bicyclists who do not stop at Stop signs?

Have an unmarked police vehicle on Osceola Avenue facing Syndicate Street to ticket every motorist and bicyclist who does not stop at the Stop sign on Syndicate. - Seriously.

I've lived at my home 30+ years. From my porch, I've witnessed numerous near crashes. **If, from my porch, I could collect just \$1.00 for every motorist and bicyclist not stopping at the Stop sign I'm sure I'd be a millionaire by now. - Maybe a multi-millionaire. From my observations, I estimate that at least 90% of motorists and 95% of bicyclists do not stop on Syndicate at Osceola.**

Traffic on Syndicate between St. Clair and Grand is continually increasing.

I'm sure a traffic ticket for not stopping at a Stop sign is more than \$1.00. Just think of the revenue the City has missed for over 30 years and could be collecting.

I cannot afford Saint Paul's ever increasing property taxes, nor these proposed fee increases because I have an Alarm system in my home.

Your attention to and action regarding these issues will be greatly appreciated by many home Alarm system users in Saint Paul. Thank you.

Respectfully,


Susan Kohls Shetka