

# **City of Saint Paul**

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## **Staff Report**

File Number: ALH 11-189

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Hearing

Appeal of Special Tax Assessment for 785 HAWTHORNE AVENUE EAST for Project #:

J1105G. Assessment #: 118013 in Ward 6

### .. Property Address

785 HAWTHORNE AVE E

### **Legislative Hearing Officer Recommendation**

Approve assessment.

#### **Tax Assessment Worksheet**

Cost: \$200.00

Service Charge: \$25.00

Total Assessment: \$225.00

Gold Card Returned by: Tou Xiong

Type of Order/Fee: Garbage Hauler

Nuisance: Failure to provide trash sevice

Date of Orders: September 22, 2010

Compliance Date: September 27, 2010

Re-Check Date: NA

Date Work Done: NA

Work Order #: 10-921155 & 10-914779 & 10-917867 & 10-923658

Returned Mail?: No

Comments: 4 weeks of trash pick-up

History of Orders on Property: 6 more weeks of trash service forth-coming and PO still does

not have trash service as of 1-27-11.

## **Legislative Hearing Notes**

Tou Xiong appeared.

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Inspector Essling reported that 785 Hawthorne Avenue East is for weekly refuse removal provided by the City. The Order was mailed September 22, 2010 with a compliance date of September 27, 2010. There are fifteen (15) weeks of garbage service on file (September 30, 2010 - January 5, 2011). This assessment is for one 2-week period of those fifteen (15) weeks for a total of \$225. The Notice was mailed the owner and occupant at their correct addresses.

Ms. Vang asked Mr. Xiong if he had a trash hauler for this address. Mr. Xiong replied that he currently is out of a job so he stopped the garbage collection service. There hasn't been any garbage to collect so why is the City charging him. Inspector Seeley replied that there had been a complaint and there was a huge amount of garbage near the garage, so she sent the Order in. Mr. Xiong said that Waste Management had been coming. Ms. Seeley said that there was never a container there when she checked. Mr. Essling noted that Waste Management cancelled service because of nonpayment. Ms. Seeley noted that everyone must have a garbage hauler. If not, the City will pick up and also charge. The City only goes out for three (3) months at a time and provides a container. Ms. Seeley noted that she had been out there two (2) weeks ago; still no visible trash container. Mr. Xiong stated that now he has contracted with Coolidge Garbage Hauling. Mr. Essling stated that perhaps three (3) or more assessments will be coming, each for \$225.

Ms. Vang will recommend approving the assessment.

Mr. Xiong will probably attend the City Council Public Hearing on March 2, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.