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File Number: SR 25-246

File ID:	SR 25-246	**Type:**	Staff Report	**Status:**	Archived
Version:	1	**Contact Number:**		**In Control:**	Legislative Hearings
				File Created:	11/05/2025
File Name:	1517 VAN BUREN AVENUE			**Final Action:**	11/13/2025

Title: Review Request of Ronald Danatus to Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1517 VAN BUREN AVENUE adopted by Council on August 13, 2025 under RLH AR 25-62. (File No. CG2503A2, Assessment No. 250117)

Notes: PO will not attend
Ronald Danatus
(312) 545-3566

		Agenda Date:	11/13/2025
		Agenda Number:	17
Sponsors:	Coleman	**Enactment Date:**	
Attachments:	1517 Van Buren Avenue.Ticket #1470567.11-5-2025, 1517 Van Buren Avenue.Ticket #1463173.Multiple Property Inquiry.11-5-2025, 1517 Van Buren Avenue.Ticket #858006.UDRF.12-2-2024, 1517 Van Buren Avenue.Email Exchange with Hauler.12-3-2025	**Financials Included?:**	
Contact Name:		**Hearing Date:**	
Entered by:	jillian.barden@ci.stpaul.mn.us	**Ord Effective Date:**	

History of Legislative File

Ver-sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	Legislative Hearings	11/13/2025	Received and Filed				

Action Text: Received and Filed
Notes: *Approve the assessment.*

Text of Legislative File SR 25-246

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WHEREAS, the Office of Financial Services Real Estate Section has attached to this Council File both a report of completion outlining the costs and fees associated with the collection of delinquent

garbage bills for services during [time period] [RE Project #] and the assessment roll including all properties for which these assessments are proposed for Council ratification; and

WHEREAS, the City Council's Legislative Hearing Officer has reviewed an appeal of this assessment and developed a recommendation for the City Council with respect to this assessment; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been conducted for the above improvement, and said assessment having been further considered by the Council and having been considered financially satisfactory; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Saint Paul City Charter, said assessment is hereby [ratified and payable in one installment, ratified and reduced, deleted; ratified and made payable over X years).

Postcard Returned by: Ronald Danatus
Cost: $71.97
Hauling Service(s) Provided: Unpaid Garbage Bill; January 1 - March 31
Type of Order/Fee: Trash Hauling
Billing Time Period: Quarter 1 (January - March) 2025
Invoice Date(s): January 1 - March 31
Garbage Hauler: Aspen Waste Systems
Service Level:
Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:
Stated Reason for Appeal (if given): PO requested a UDRF hold in December 2024, which was sent to Aspen. Aspen confirmed they received the hold on December 3, 2024
Staff Comments: PO purchased home in October 2024 and requested service hold, starting in December 2024. PO received the Quarter 1 2025 delinquent notice in May 2025 and called to originally to dispute the charges and requested removal. PO also asked multiple questions about multiple other properties, and the Q1 assessment removal was not investigated further. PO called in again in October 2025 to inquire about Quarter 2 2025 charges on other properties and asked about the Quarter 1 2025 charge and it's status. Staff then investigated issue and it was determined the Quarter 1 charges are from November 2024, which was rolled over onto the Quarter 1 billing cycle. Staff does not recommend removing the assessment.

UDRF Request for 1517 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104 Aspen Waste Systems

Email side conversation - #858006 1517 Van Buren Ave - UDRF - Aspen

Created at	Author	Status
December 2, 2024 at 17:28	Lydia Kopf	Open

Participants
Lydia Kopf, Consortium

Lydia Kopf via Support December 2, 2024 at 17:28
To: Consortium

Hi Greg,

A request for unoccupied dwelling status was requested on December 2, 2024 by Ronald Danatus for the property located at 1517 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104. Please enter the hold effective 2024-12-02 for two_units_unoccupied unit(s).

Hauler: Aspen Waste Systems
Owner/Person Completing Form: Ronald Danatus
Mailing Address:
Contact Information: ronaldpauldanatus@gmail.com +13125453566
Number of Units: two_units_unoccupied
Hold Start Date: 2024-12-02
Hold End Date (if applicable):
Ticket Comments:
Ronald Danatus located at 1517 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104 contacted the City RE: - UDRF Request. New owner plans to do renovations. Please begin hold today (12/02/2024). Thank you!

Hello Ronald Danatus,
Thank you for contacting the City of Saint Paul regarding a hold on garbage services at 1517 - 1519 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104. Your request has been forwarded to your hauler.
Thank you,
Susan

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garbage@ci.stpaul.mn.us | stpaul.gov/garbage

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Thank you,

Lydia
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Consortium via email December 3, 2024 at 11:40
To: Lydia Kopf

Please see Aspen update.

Greg Revering

Chief Manager

St. Paul Haulers LLC.

grevering.sph@gmail.com

763-295-2054

Morning

The account has been updated to vacant effective 12/2/24

Stacey Sanders

Office Operations Manager

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#1470567 1517 Van Buren Ave - Q1 2025 Assessment Inquiry

Submitted	Received via	Requester
November 5, 2025 at 11:19	Side conversation	Ronald Danatus <ronaldpauldanatus@gmail.com>

Status category	Ticket status	Type	Priority	Group	Assignee
Open	Open	Question	Normal	Garbage Assessments	Jillian Barden

Latitude/Longitude	Location	Other Telephone	Other Name
-93.1646,44.96214	1517 Van Buren Ave, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55104	13125453566	Ronald

Ward	Please select the reason you are contacting the solid waste team	Billing Year
Ward 4	Billing or Assessments	2024

What is your billing or assessment question?
Service Hold Not Applied

What kind of service hold did you request?
Unoccupied Dwelling Registration - over 26 weeks

What was the requested start date?
December 4, 2024

Jillian Barden November 5, 2025 at 11:19

1517 Van Buren Ave

- PO requested a UDRF hold in December 2024, which was sent to Aspen. They confirmed they received the hold
- The May phone call was originally to dispute the Quarter 1 charges and requested removal
- The assessment removal did not happen, and it is now levied

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#1463173 Multiple Properties - Billing Error

Submitted	Received via	Requester
October 31, 2025 at 10:10	Phone call (inbound)	Ronald Danatus <ronaldpauldanatus@gmail.com>

Status category	Ticket status	Type	Priority	Group	Assignee
Open	Open	Question	Normal	PW - Garbage	Jillian Barden

Latitude/Longitude	Location	Other Telephone	Other Name
-93.1646,44.96214	1517 Van Buren Ave, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55104	13125453566	Ronald

Ward	Please select the reason you are contacting the solid waste team	Billing Year
Ward 4	Billing or Assessments	2024

What is your billing or assessment question?	What kind of service hold did you request?
Service Hold Not Applied	Unoccupied Dwelling Registration - over 26 weeks

What was the requested start date?	Total time spent (sec)	Time spent last update (sec)
December 4, 2024	3480	2102

Michele Jerue October 31, 2025 at 10:10 Internal note

Call from: +1 (312) 545-3566
Call to: +1 (651) 413-6624
Time of call: October 31, 2025 at 3:10:12 PM UTC
Answered by: Michele Jerue

Michele Jerue October 31, 2025 at 10:15

Hello Ronald,

Thank you for notifying us about a potential discrepancy in your garbage bill due to a missing service hold. Can you please provide the following information:

- Previous hauler:
- Start date of hold:
- End date of hold:
- Size(s) of cart(s) on hold:

Once we have this information, our billing specialist will investigate and get back to you with a resolution within a week.

Thank you,

Michele

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Ronald Danatus October 31, 2025 at 10:22

Sent from my iPhone

Michele Jerue October 31, 2025 at 10:28 Internal note

Inbound call from +1 (312) 545-3566

Call Details
Call from: +1 (312) 545-3566
Call to: +1 (651) 413-6624
Time of call: 2025-10-31 15:10:12 UTC
Location: Chicago, Illinois, United States
Answered by: Michele Jerue
Length of phone call: 17 minutes, 47 seconds

Jillian Barden October 31, 2025 at 10:48 Internal note

Outbound call to +1 (312) 545-3566

Call Details
Call from: +1 (651) 413-6624
Call to: +1 (312) 545-3566
Time of call: 2025-10-31 15:35:49 UTC
Called by: Jillian Barden
Length of phone call: 12 minutes, 14 seconds

Jillian Barden October 31, 2025 at 11:24

Hello Ronald

We just spoke a few minutes ago on the phone. Here is a quick summary of our conversation:

1517 Van Buren Ave

- You requested a UDRF hold in December 2024, which was sent to Aspen. They confirmed they received the hold
- The May phone call was originally to dispute the Quarter 1 charges and requested removal
- The assessment removal did not happen, and it is now levied

1387 Thomas Ave

- You purchased the property in Feb 2025 and was unable to place hold
- When you called in about your Quarter 1 assessment on 1517 Van Buren, you requested UDRF on Thomas Ave
- You were charged for garbage service for entire quarter
- The service hold should have been backdated to April 1

667 4th St E:

- This Property is a registered Vacant Building, and has multiple Vacant Building assessments
- When you called in about your Quarter 1 assessment on 1517 Van Buren, you requested UDRF on Thomas Ave
- You were charged for garbage service for half of the quarter
- The service hold should have been backdated to April 1

We will need to take 667 4th St E and 1387 Thomas Ave to a Legislative Hearing on November 13. I will enter files in for you. Your attendance is not required. As for the Quarter 1 assessment at 1517 Van Buren Ave, I will get back to you with a resolution on that situation.

Let me know if you have anything to add to this email, and we will be in touch

Thank you,

Jillian

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Jillian Barden October 31, 2025 at 11:24 Internal note

PO needs 2 hearings and possible 3rd if we can remove the levied assessmetn

Jillian Barden November 5, 2025 at 12:30

Hi Ronald

We are going to also take 1517 Van Buren Ave to the legislative hearing on November 13 as well as 667 4th and 1387 Thomas. I cannot promise of guarantee the outcome, but I will let you know the decision Thursday afternoon or sometime Friday. I do nave enough information to recommend the assessment to be removed. You are not required to attend, but if you would like to, please let me know so we can call you.

Thank you,

Jillian

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#858006 1517 Van Buren Ave - UDRF - Aspen

Submitted	Received via	Requester
December 2, 2024 at 14:02	Voicemail	Ronald Danatus <ronaldpauldanatus@gmail.com>

Status category	Ticket status	Type	Priority	Group	Assignee
Closed	Solved	Question	Normal	PW - Garbage	Lydia Kopf

Latitude/Longitude	Location	Is this a repeat report?
-93.16458,44.96215	1517 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104	No

Other Telephone	Property Type	Start Date - first collection day with no service	Other Name
13125453566	SUD	December 2, 2024	Ronald Danatus

Garbage Hauler	Disposition of unoccupied dwelling
Aspen Waste Systems	This dwelling is indefinitely unoccupied (no plans to have occupants at this time)

I certify by submitting this application that the Service Hold being requested meets the stated requirements of a Service Hold, under penalty of the City of Saint Paul City Code of Ordinances.

Yes

Number of unoccupied units at the residence

Two Units

Please select the reason you are contacting the Garbage Program new options

Service Hold Request

Do you need an interpreter?	Is this request about recycling, garbage, or both?
No	Garbage only

Service Hold Request Type

Unoccupied Dwelling Registration - over 26 weeks

I certify by submitting this application that the residential dwelling unit is completely unoccupied

Yes

Ronald Danatus December 2, 2024 at 14:02 Internal note

Voicemail from +1 (312) 545-3566

Call Details
Call from: +1 (312) 545-3566
Call to: +1 (651) 413-6624
Time of call: 2024-12-02 19:58:16 UTC
Location: Chicago, Illinois, United States
Length of phone call: 2 minutes, 52 seconds

Transcription
I Want to talk about a garbage collection uh stoppage, or a house. Can somebody call me on 312-545-3566. Thank you.

Susan Anderson December 2, 2024 at 15:09 Internal note

Outbound call to +1 (312) 545-3566

Call Details
Call from: +1 (651) 413-6624
Call to: +1 (312) 545-3566
Time of call: 2024-12-02 21:04:02 UTC
Called by: Susan Anderson
Length of phone call: 5 minutes, 19 seconds

Susan Anderson December 2, 2024 at 15:11 Internal note

Ronald Danatus located at 1517 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104 contacted the City RE: - UDRF Request. New owner plans to do renovations. Please begin hold today (12/02/2024). Thank you!

Susan Anderson December 2, 2024 at 15:13

Hello Ronald Danatus,

Thank you for contacting the City of Saint Paul regarding a hold on garbage services at 1517 - 1519 Van Buren Ave, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55104. Your request has been forwarded to your hauler.

Thank you,

Susan

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