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Hello,

I am Phil Aitken, a homeowner who lives in the North End neighborhood of St. Paul. I've heard that the City Council is deciding whether to allow taxpayer funds to pay for legal defense fees in Mayor Her's upcoming sexual harrassment lawsuit. I stridently oppose any taxpayer money being used for this purpose.

I don't want my tax dollars going toward defending a mayor from any potential consequences of alleged inappropriate behavior. Mayor Her has a history of such allegations, and her position as mayor does not entitle her to a taxpayer-funded defense for this particular case.

The City could better spend this money developing support for our unhoused neighbors. Mayor Her and the Council made a grave mistake by moving forward with evicting Pig's Eye. Mayor Her has tried to keep right to repair off the city's ballots in November. She continues to subvert the will of the people, and I am not inclined to re-elect any Council member who supports funding the mayor's defense in a civil suit using our money.

Please do the right thing. Do not approve taxpayer money for Mayor Her's legal defense.

Thank you.

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