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And:

St. Paul City Council 3d Floor City Hall-Court House 15 W. Kellogg Blvd St. Paul, MN

**RE:** Proposed Assessment File No: CRT 1208 946 Galtier Street

Council Members and Ms. Martin:

I responded to the Notice of Haring to Ratify a proposed assessment in the amount of \$405 and returned the gold enclosure card requesting to be heard. I am unable to attend the hearing this morning due to a client emergency but wish to submit the enclosed Timeline for your consideration.

I received no Notices or billings after the 10/20/11 Reinspection Notice setting a "final inspection date of 11/1/11 and do not know the nature of the assessment in question. No detail is available on the website. If it relates to the series of inspections, alleged deficiencies and re-inspections, I wish to protest. This entire process needs to be reviewed if it is in the best interest of St. Paul to assist owners to be able to offer affordable and safe rental properties.

I have owned the property in question and rented to the same tenants since 2001. To my knowledge, there have been no problems with the property. Every year I pay the \$50 fee for the fire safety inspection certificate and receive notice that someone will call to schedule an inspection, but neither the tenants now I has received any request to schedule until the spring of 2011, when I received notice that the property had been deemed unfit for human habitation and had to be vacated.

Please refer to the Timeline prepared from notices received from the City, notes made during phone conversations with various City employees and e-mail correspondence with City employees and my contractors.

If you are unable to consider this information at today's hearing because of my inability
to appear in person, please contact me at (952) 857-2424 during business hours with any
questions and respond in writing.

Respectfully,

Judith Martin

Cc: Legislative Hearing Officer