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5/22/2019 2:17 PM	Marguerite DeSpain	Against	<p>Critical concerns of citizens were reported in hearings and are not being shared with you, as there are many thousands of concerned citizens that are protesting this garbage program and see it as directly opposed to the environmental climate improvement plan with it's refusal to allow for neighbor-sharing and opting out when a bin is not necessary. The current garbage program implementation and fines is motivating more waste and not less. The way the City has chosen to implement organized trash collection has harmed many citizens, which these assessments prove. It has also caused multiple small family garbage collectors to go out of business, gradually creating a new monopoly - Waste Management. Instead of responsibly preventing these harms when concerns were raised, Council members have stifled their concerns, acting as if helpless instead of insisting that there be negotiations and necessary changes made. We citizens of St. Paul are not represented by your silence.</p> <p>I protest the assessment to my property, as I participate in the trash program as a neighbor-sharer, as I have for more than twelve years, with a single adult household across the street. I choose to reduce my waste substantially both for the sake of the earth and our City and to save money. I have very little waste, as I eat mostly vegetables and eggs, and can easily compost their waste. If I have any waste that cannot be recycled or</p>	+3
5/22/2019 1:54 PM	Marguerite DeSpain	Against	<p>composted, such as packaging, I pay the neighbor to add a very small bag once in a while. We have harmoniously done this for many years, reducing the costs to us both. The City has refused to honor or acknowledge and follow my request to not have a bin, to pick up its bin left on my property without my permission, and is billing me for a service I did not request or ever use, which I see as unjust and oppressive. I offered to serve on a committee of citizens to add neighbor share to</p>	+3

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