

## City of Saint Paul

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## **Legislation Text**

File #: RLH TA 20-506, Version: 2

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1482 BLAIR AVENUE. (File No. CG2002E1, Assessment No. 200136)

Date of LH: 7/30/2020 Time of LH: 9:00 AM Date of CPH: 9/2/2020

Postcard Returned by: Andrea Gaitan

Cost: \$123.87

Hauling Service(s) Provided: Garbage Service, 2 small EOW and late fees; Jan-Mar 20

Type of Order/Fee: Trash Hauling

Billing Time Period: 1st Quarter of 2019 (January 1 - March 31)

Invoice Date(s): January 1 - March 31

Garbage Hauler: Aspen

Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** Property owner stated that he moved from another property in Sept. 2019 where he also had Aspen Waste. When they set up the new property, they found that their payments were being applied to their old account not their new property account. The property owner stated that he believed that this issue had been resolved with Aspen in/around January 2020, but he has now received a notice of pending assessment. There was a payment made of \$102.43 on January 20, 2020. They do not believe that this is a valid referral, as they stated that they are set up on auto-pay with Aspen.

**Staff Comments**: The hauler reviewed both accounts and stated that rather than the payments being applied wrong, the customer was actually submitting the payment online himself and paid the wrong account. Nonetheless this was recognized, corrected and the customer was refunded for the overpayment. As for the Quarter 1 2020 assessment; a payment of \$102.43 was made to incorrect account (671 Simpson). This payment was reimbursed to the resident on 02/07/2020. Therefore staff recommends approving the assessment.

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 Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during January to March 2020. (File No. CG2002E1, Assessment No. 200136) 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 reduced from \$123.87 to \$107.70.