



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** RLH TA 19-234, **Version:** 2

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Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 761 HAGUE AVENUE. (File No. CG1901A1, Assessment No. 190051)

**Date of LH:** 4/11/2019

**Time of LH:** 9:00 AM

**Date of CPH:** 5/22/2019

**Postcard Returned by:** Jonelle Ringnalda

**Cost:** \$ 96.08

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Garbage Service for Medium Cart; Oct 1 - Dec 31 2018

**Garbage Hauler:** Republic Services

**Type of Order/Fee:** Garbage Hauling

**Billing Time Period:** 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2018 (Oct 1 - Dec 31)

**Invoice Date(s):** Oct - MISSING / Nov - MISSING / Dec - 12/31/2018

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** I dispute the requirement for 2 receptacles needed for my duplex. I received one small and one medium container without my request, after receiving information that I need not make a request if my current container was adequate. I've used one small garbage container since purchasing this home in 1982. There are two individuals living in this duplex.

**Staff Comments:** Under citywide garbage service, all residential properties with up to four units, including rental homes and townhomes, are required to have a garbage cart and receive garbage service for each dwelling unit. This was a policy decision made by the City council to ensure that all occupied dwellings are receiving garbage service. There is no option to opt out of the citywide garbage service.

The City does acknowledge that the information provided was not as clear as it could have been. The size of the garbage cart assigned to a property was based on each unit. However, the City did make it clear that each unit would receive its own garbage cart. Previously, the property owner had 1 small garbage cart for one unit and no garbage cart for the other unit. As such, this property was assigned 1 small cart for one unit, and because the second unit did not have garbage service previously, it was automatically assigned a medium cart.

The property owner is responsible for paying the outstanding charge, as garbage service was provided from October through December 2018. If the property owner wishes, she can request to change the size of the second cart to accommodate the property's needs, but Republic Services cannot remove the second cart entirely.

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 Trash Hauling during Collection of Delinquent Garbage Bills for services during October to December 2018. (File No. CG1901A1, Assessment No. 190051) 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.