



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** RLH TA 24-48, **Version:** 2

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Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 658 EDMUND AVENUE. (File No. CG2304A2, Assessment No. 230115)

**Date of LH:** 01/11/2024

**Time of LH:** 11:00AM

**Date of CPH:** 03/13/2024

**Postcard Returned by:** Hattie Ward

**Cost:** \$589.59

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Unpaid Garbage Bill; July 1 - September 30

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

**Hauler:** Republic Services

**Billing Time Period:** Quarter 3 (July - September) 2023

**Invoice Date(s):** July 1 - September 30

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** PO states that no extras bags were set next to their garbage containers during Q2, so they should not owe the extra charges that were applied to the Q3 bill.

**Staff Comments:** This overdue bill is from Q3 2023. The PO agrees that the garbage bill was not paid. The baseline overdue garbage bill for service alone is \$267.66, which covers 2 - 96 gal containers (duplex), plus late fees. The contested charge is for extra bags that PO allegedly set out next to, and overflowing from, their trash carts the quarter prior (Q2). It is acceptable for the hauler to add charges for extras from the previous quarter onto the bill. The disagreement is about the number of bags.

PO is stating that no extra bags were set out for collection in Q2. PO rents the property and agrees that there was a litter issue at the property. They rented a dumpster to clean it up. PO is stating that all extra garbage bags and litter were put in the dumpster and none were picked up by Republic.

Republic Services provided a week by week list with a count of bags that they recorded each week. The total is 70. However, in the photos they provided, only 54 bags are visible during Q2.

WHEREAS, the Office of Financial Services Assessment 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 April to June 2023. (File No. CG2304A2, Assessment No. 230115) 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.