



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** RLH TA 20- 349 **Version:** 2

**Type:** Resolution LH Tax Assessment Appeal **Status:** Passed

**In control:** City Council

**Final action:** 9/2/2020

**Title:** Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 870 LAFOND AVENUE. (File No. CG2002E3, Assessment No. 200138)

**Sponsors:** Dai Thao

**Indexes:** Special Tax Assessments, Ward - 1

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. 870 Lafond Avenue Q1 Assessment Error. 6-05-2020

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
9/3/2020	2	Mayor's Office	Signed	
9/2/2020	2	City Council	Adopted	Pass
7/30/2020	1	Legislative Hearings	Referred	

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**Date of LH:** 7/30/2020  
**Time of LH:** 10:00 AM  
**Date of CPH:** 9/2/2020

**Postcard Returned by:** Nan Bruno

**Cost:** \$77.36

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Garbage Service Small Cart Weekly; 3 Late Fees; Jan 1-Mar 31 2020

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

**Billing Time Period:** 1st Quarter of 2020 (January 1 - March 31)

**Invoice Date(s):** January 1 - March 31

**Garbage Hauler:** Republic

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** I have contacted this company THREE times on this matter, explaining that the house on 870 Lafond is empty, waiting to be put up sale. It has been empty since October 2019.

**Staff Comments:** Hauler confirmed that the property did call three times since January 1, 2020. The first phone call was on 01/09/2020 to update the billing address. The second phone call was on March 3, 2020 to cancel service. Following the call on March 3, 2020, the billing coordinator did attempt to contact the property owner but did not receive a call back. The third and final phone call was placed on April 22, 2020 by the property owner to cancel service. Following the call, Republic Services cancelled service effective April 30, 2020. As service was cancelled after Quarter 1 2020, staff recommends approving the assessment for Quarter 1 2020.

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. CG2002E3, Assessment No. 200138) 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 \$77.36 to \$38.68.