

Legislation Text

## File #: RLH TA 19-425, Version: 2

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1483 WYNNE AVENUE. (File No. CG1901C2-2, Assessment No. 190076)

**Date of LH**: 4/25/19; 5/30/2019 **Time of LH:** 9 am **Date of CPH**: 5/22/19; 6/12/2019

Postcard Returned by: Morgan L Weinert Cost: \$158.05 Hauling Service(s) Provided: Garbage Service Large Cart; Yard Waste Service; 3 Late Fees; Oct 1 - Dec 31 2018

Garbage Hauler: Aspen Waste Systems Type of Order/Fee: Garbage Hauling Billing Time Period: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2018 (Oct 1 - Dec 31) Invoice Date(s): Oct - 10/31/2018 / Nov - 11/30/2018 - Dec - 1/2/2019

Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** The garbage bills were being sent to the former owners of our property whose forwarding address was in Alaska because that was the address given to them by the city despite the fact that we had an Aspen account set up under our names already- We rectified this in February. Aspen told us they were forgiving the late fees once we rectified the problem, but that they had already sent some late fees to the city. I was told to contact you regarding our legislative hearing. We were unable to attend due to my work schedule. We have late fees from trash collection because our bill was being sent to the former owners of the home. Aspen forgave all of the late fees that they could, but apparently some were sent to you before we had called. I'm a little concerned about the hearing being our only recourse- I am a health care provider and it is difficult for me to get time off during the day.

**Staff Comments**: The property owner is still responsible to pay the delinquent charge, as garbage service was provided from October through December 2018. The property owner has indicated that Aspen Waste Systems will credit the late fees back. Even if the property owner receives a credit, they still need to pay the delinquent charge to the City.

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 October to December 2018. (File No. CG1901C2-2, Assessment No. 190076) 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 \$158.05 to \$137.44.