



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** RLH TA 19-257, **Version:** 2

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Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 957 COOK AVENUE EAST. (File No. CG1901C3, Assessment No. 190062)

**Date of LH:** 5/9/2019  
**Time of LH:** 9:00AM  
**Date of CPH:** 6/12/2019

**Postcard Returned by:** Gregory Maslow

**Cost:** \$ 228.31

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Garbage Service for 1 Medium and 1 Large Cart; 3 Late Fees; Oct 1 - Dec 31 2018

**Garbage Hauler:** Advanced Disposal

**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 - 12/31/2018

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** Duplex, only uses 1 unit, was delivered two carts, never put out any carts, never used service, only generates a small amount of trash at the property.

**Staff Comments:** This property is classified as a two-family dwelling according to Ramsey County property tax records. The property was delivered 1 64-gallon Medium cart (serial # 0918820700) and 1 96-gallon Large cart (serial # 0818460306) on September 8th, 2018, prior to the start of citywide garbage service. The property is responsible for paying the outstanding balance that is owed to the City.

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. The property owner must provide garbage service for all occupied dwellings. There is no option to opt out of the citywide garbage service. The property owner may contact the garbage hauler to adjust the size of the garbage carts to accommodate the service levels for the two Residential Dwelling Units at the property, but the City may not reduce the number of garbage carts at the property.

Chapter 220 of the Saint Paul Code of Ordinance states that:

- Each Residential Dwelling Unit shall be billed for all trash collection costs
- Failure to pay for services shall result in the special assessment of the costs of those services, along with any applicable fees, penalties or administrative costs against the real property on which the Residential Dwelling Unit is situated

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. CG1901C3, Assessment No. 190062) 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 \$228.31 to \$115.40.