



# City of Saint Paul

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## Legislation Text

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**File #:** RLH TA 19-745, **Version:** 2

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Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1480 UPPER AFTON ROAD. (File No. CG1903A2, Assessment No. 190122)

**Date of LH:** 10/3/2019

**Time of LH:** 9:45 AM

**Date of CPH:** 11/13/2019

**Postcard Returned by:** Anna DeCrans

**Cost:** \$102.44

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Garbage Service Large Cart; Apr 1 - Jun 30 2019

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

**Billing Time Period:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2019 (Apr 1 - Jun 30)

**Invoice Date(s):**

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** I am unable to attend the hearing, but we should not be responsible for the outstanding garbage bill in the amount of \$102.44. We purchased this property on July 18, 2019, and therefore, were never responsible for this bill. The prior owners are responsible. Considering this bill is only through June 30th, we're speculating the previous homeowners also did not pay from July 1st through July 17th. We will not pay those charges as well. We have always paid our garbage bills on time, which can be verified with our previous address.

**Staff Comments:** The City charges the delinquent balance to the property, not the owner. Because the previous owner left a portion of their bill unpaid, the new property owner is now responsible for the delinquent amount. Staff contacted the property owner and suggested for her to contact the title company to try to recover the outstanding amount the previous owner failed to pay. The current property owner is ultimately responsible for the delinquent charge.

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 April to June 2019. (File No. CG1903A2, Assessment No. 190122) 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.