



Legislation Text

File #: RLH TA 20-123, **Version:** 2

Deleting the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1727 BERKELEY AVENUE. (File No. CG1904B1, Assessment No. 190148)

Date of LH: 1/23/2020; 2/06/2020

Time of LH: 10:00 AM

Date of CPH: 3/11/2020

Postcard Returned by: Douglas Hodgson

Cost: \$5.12

Hauling Service(s) Provided: Garbage Late Fee Large Cart; Jul 1 - Sep 30 2019

Type of Order/Fee: Trash Hauling

Billing Time Period: 3rd Quarter of 2019 (July 1 - September 30)

Invoice Date(s): July 1 - September 30

Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:

Stated Reason for Appeal (if given): We received the enclosed notice regarding Raficiation of Assessment stating we owed Republic Services \$5.12, and that a proposed assessment was in order to which we have now spendt over 2 hours trying to rectify. We received a bill back in September, one day prior to it being due and we weren't able to to get it paid but promptly mailed payment. We then received a late payment notice stating that we then owed \$5.12 in late fee assessments. An ingenious way to make a fraudulent profit. We promptly paid the alleged late payment of \$5.12 and paid to Republic (per the late payment bill they sent us.) After receiving the notice about tax assessments, calls were made to the Office of Financial Services and to Republic. Both entitiies stating they had no control over the situation and insinuating we should pay another \$5.12. We were also told by Republic its "not our problem." Of course, it isn't, its ours and of your making to obtain additional monies. We are not paying another \$5.12 and we are not being asessed another penny for this garbage bill problem created by the cty and Republic.

Staff Comments: Hauler confirmed that payment was received on 10/02/2019 requested that the assessment be removed. Staff recommends removal.

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 July to September 2019. (File No. CG1904B1, Assessment No. 190148) 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 deleted.