

Legislation Text

## File #: RLH TA 20-254, Version: 2

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1375 THOMAS AVENUE. (File No. CG2001E2, Assessment No. 200117)

Date of LH: 4/16/2020 Time of LH: 11:00 AM Date of CPH: 5/27/2020

Postcard Returned by: Anthony Strouth Cost: \$235.61 Hauling Service(s) Provided: Garbage Service Q4 Oct 1-Dec 31 2019 Type of Order/Fee: Trash Hauling Billing Time Period: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2019 (October 1 - December 31) Invoice Date(s): October 1 - December 31 Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?: Stated Reason for Appeal (if given): City ordinance was suspended during period of billing, vendor continued to provide services on their own accord

**Staff Comments**: The ordinance was never suspended. Judge Castro's order to suspend the ordinance never went into effect as it was stayed by the Minnesota Supreme Court pending the outcome of the election. During the period up to the general election the ordinance (and the contract) was still in effect. A majority of resident voted in support of the new coordinated garbage program in the November 5, 2019 general election. With the overwhelming support from the election the ordinance continued to be in place. In summary, the ordinance was never suspended and the resident owes the hauler for the time when they received service. Therefore staff recommends approving the assessment

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 2019. (File No. CG2001E2, Assessment No. 200117) 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.