



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** RLH TA 23-38, **Version:** 2

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Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 676 YORK AVENUE. (File No. CG2204A1, Assessment No. 220113)

**Date of LH:** 1/5/2023; 1/19/2023

**Time of LH:** 9:00 AM

**Date of CPH:** 3/8/2023

**Postcard Returned by:** Gail Lannier

**Cost:** \$68.18

**Hauling Service(s) Provided:** Unpaid Garbage Bill; July 1 - September 30

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

**Billing Time Period:** Quarter 3 (July - September) 2022

**Invoice Date(s):** July 1 - September 30

**Garbage Hauler:** Waste Management

**Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:**

**Stated Reason for Appeal (if given):** Property owner stated that they have always paid their garbage bill on time. Their Quarter 3 2022 invoice was paid with a check for \$62.26 that was cashed on 8/26/2022 by Waste Management. Therefore they believe that they should not have received an assessment for Quarter 3 2022.

**Staff Comments:** Hauler records show that there was a payment for \$62.26 that was cashed on 8/26/2022 but was not applied to the account until 10/14/2022. This was due to the fact that the payment was hung up in unidentified cash because Waste Management was not sure where to apply the payment. It appears as though the property owner sent their payment to the P.O Box 42390, Phoenix, AZ 85080 instead of the correct mailing address listed on the invoice as P.O. Box 4647, Carol Stream, IL 60197-4647. Since the payment was applied to the account in 10/14/2022, it would have used to pay the October - December 2022 garbage invoice. There was also a payment applied to the account on 10/18/2022 for \$62.26, which was added as a credit to the account. Therefore, we cannot remove the assessment in full. However, since there was a delay in applying the payment to the account, we do recommend removing all three late fees of \$2.96. This would reduce the assessment to \$59.30.

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 2022. (File No. CG2204A1, Assessment No. 220113) 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 \$68.18 to \$59.30.