



Legislation Text

File #: RLH TA 23-193, **Version:** 2

Ratifying the Appealed Special Tax Assessment for property at 1391 PLEASANT AVENUE. (File No. CG2301A1; Assessment No. 230105)

Date of LH: 4/6/2023; 5/2/2023

Time of LH: 3:00 PM

Date of CPH: 5/24/2023

Postcard Returned by: Gina Hiveley

Cost: \$80.31

Hauling Service(s) Provided: Unpaid Garbage Bill; October 1 - December 31

Type of Order/Fee: Trash Hauling

Billing Time Period: Quarter 4 (October - December) 2022

Invoice Date(s): October 1 - December 31

Garbage Hauler: Waste Management

Returned Mail/Notice Concerns?:

Stated Reason for Appeal (if given): Property owner states that Waste Management cashed check #11436 for \$263.00 back in October that the property owner sent as payment for her Quarter 4 2022 invoices for both 1391 Pleasant Ave (\$69.84) and 698 Randolph Ave (\$196.16). This was indicated by the fact that they included the payment stubs for both invoices in the same envelope with the check. However, they started to receive notices of nonpayment for 1391 Pleasant Ave. The property owner then called Waste Management and was told that the account for 696 Randolph got credited for the invoiced amount of \$196.16. However, Waste Management stated that they never received any payments for 1391 Pleasant Ave. Therefore, the property owner wants to know what happened to the \$69.84 that was supposed to cover the invoice for 1391 Pleasant Ave.

Staff Comments: Staff confirmed with Waste Management that the \$69.84 was applied to a different account not associated with the property owner. As of April 26, 2023 this amount has been credited to the property owner's account and will be applied to their next invoice. While staff cannot recommend removing the assessment in full, they do recommend removing the late fees \$10.47 since the property owner did send the payment on time. This would reduce the assessment to the original invoiced amount of \$69.84.

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 2022. (File No. CG2301A1, Assessment No. 230105) 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 \$80.31 to \$69.84.