

April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

To Saint Paul City Council and City Clerks

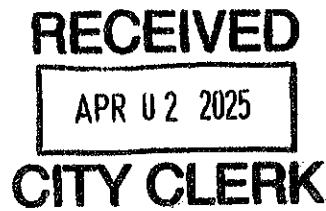
From owner and taxpayers of 1655 Middleton Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55116

Regarding

File # 19233B

Assessment #215200

Parcel ID # 14-28-23-22-0138

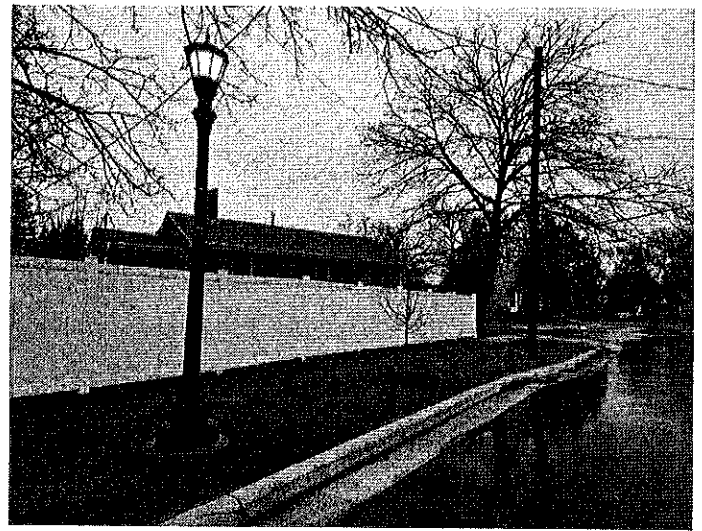
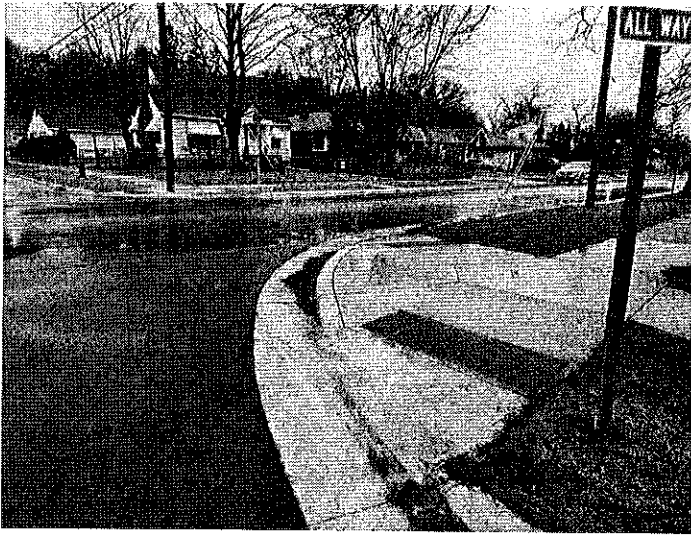


We are contacting you to appeal the assessment for Griggs/Scheffer Area Paving and Lighting, Phase 2 (2021) of \$7,729.80 for Grade & Paving – Single Family Residential and \$1,368. For Lighting – Single Family Residential. The proposed assessment for our property in the amount of \$7,733.13 is a hardship for us to pay for many reasons. First, our house address is Middleton Avenue. We do not reside on Alaska Avenue where the construction took place. Second, we have no driveway or apron on Alaska. The lamp that was installed behind our house, without approval from us, would inhibit us from installing an apron or driveway to a garage if we wanted to build a garage in the future. The construction that took place over an extended amount of time caused us stress and anger. It may seem petty to complain about little things, but we would constantly pick up trash and cigarette butts left by workers. Had a port-a-pottie outside our home for months. We were inconvenienced as workers would park around our house which led us to park away from our home. Last, we were not consulted about these “improvements”, as they were not needed. We do believe that the assessment needs to be audited.

We would also like to add that the work was poorly done, and re done many times because of their mistakes. I can only describe the sidewalks and curb angles as OFF. They did not account for polls and had to reconsider curbs and sidewalk aprons and pointed them in directions that did not meet or add up. Then there was the dust and dirt that caked our house, windows and white fence. The pictures below show the angles of curbs and sidewalk aprons.

In closing, please reconsider the assessment for 1655 Middleton Avenue, as we are taxpayers and believe that this assessment should be taken care of because our address does not reside on Alaska where the construction took place. I also work in Saint Paul Public Schools and my husband works in Grocery Retail and cannot afford these ridiculous charges. Thank you for your time in considering this matter.

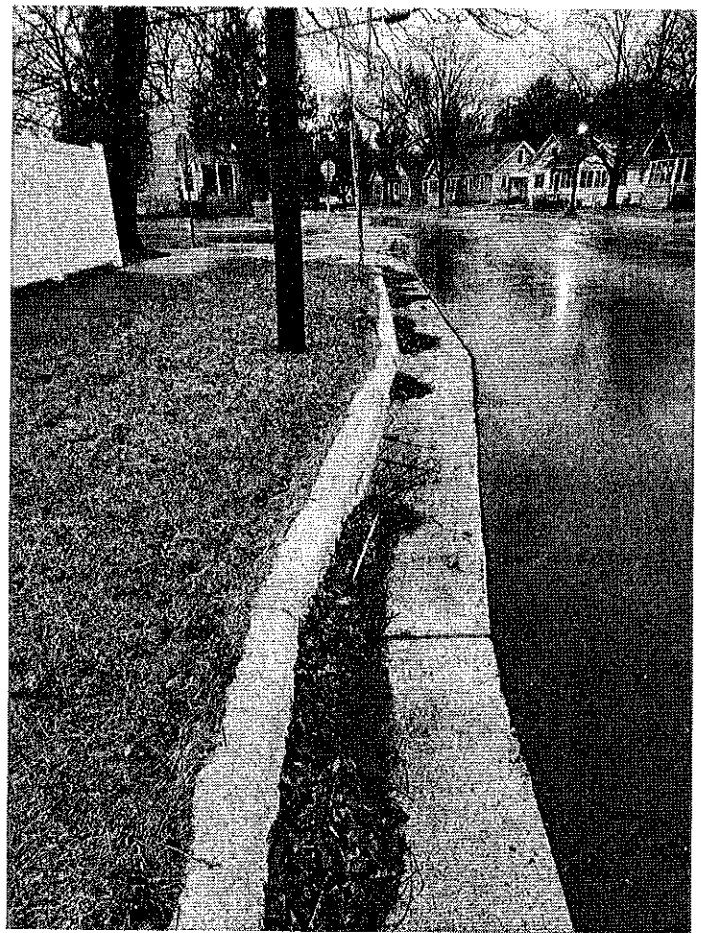
Richard and Stephanie Purvis



Sidewalk aprons that point in different directions. Lamp put in place that would block any future garage and apron.



Pictures on Alaska and Vista Avenue.



Curb poorly rerouted around poll.