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Greetings,

I am writing in reply to File #19277 regarding the proposed Wheelock Parkway/Grotto Street (2026) Street Reconstruction Phase II.

I am concerned because the proposed assessment seems to be excessive. I would like to know how the proposed assessments were determined and if any and all policies, procedures, and relevant statutes were properly implemented. I know through conversation with several neighbors in the area that they share my concerns.

I recognize that homeownership is a privilege. Sadly, it seems like it is becoming increasingly out of reach and unmaintainable for many. The City of St. Paul and Ramsey County ask a lot of their homeowners. Many of us are single income-earners. Dual-income earners housing families are struggling. The costs of what our property tax dollars and assessments fund seem to be far outstripping what these sources can feasibly generate. This is not sustainable. I encourage the City to consider long-term financing alternatives, people-centered priorities, and what special projects and routine activities need to change or cease so that our communities, families, and civic life may thrive.

In light of the above, and in order to potentially preserve my right to appeal, I hereby object to the proposed assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

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