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To: *CI-StPaul_LegislativeHearings
Subject: Written Appeal for Tall Grass and Weeds

Good Afternoon Saint Paul City Counsel

I am emailing you on behalf of myself and my wife, in response to the letter of assessment for \$537.75 we received for our property of 1733 Beech Street Saint Paul. We understand the situation we have put ourselves in regarding the caretaking of our lawn. I apologize for being passive with the matter, and ignoring the immediate care that was needed, and therefore resulting in our neighbor's bearing the burden to reach out to you to hold us accountable. This predicament we put ourselves in started with our negligence (laziness), and was exacerbated when our weed trimmer failed to operate when I finally took initiative to care for the lawn. We understand that this is still a fault that falls on us. We came home from work and found the lawn caretakers working on our yard, and they did a great job. We understand that the work to care for the lawn was already done. People were paid to work hard and make our lawn appropriate for the neighborhood. We accept the consequences of our negligence as well. We are not in a position to ask for grace with it, so we accept whatever outcome you see fit. If we were to be so bold to make a request, it would be that you grant us the waiving of the fees associated with the process. The total for our assessment is \$537.75, we ask that you waive the DSI Admin Fee of \$124.00, the Assessment Admin Fee of \$35.00, and the Attorney Fee of \$5.00. We accept whatever results you conclude during the hearing, but thank you for reading this. The work that was done cannot be undone, and those gentlemen who worked deserve to be paid, and we understand that it is not the city's responsibility to do so.

My wife and I will work hard to be attentive with our yard moving forward, taking seriously the image it reflects on our neighbors, and the city of Saint Paul. Thank you for your time with this matter, and for the work you do to make Saint Paul a wonderful place to live.