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Subject: Proposed property tax hikes AGAIN **Date:** Monday, December 2, 2024 1:20:21 PM

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Hello,

I didn't realize I would need to be pre-screened to give a comment at tonight's annual "Truth in Taxation" meeting. Please register my displeasure at the continued property tax increases, as a concerned resident of St. Paul for the last 35 years.

I live in North End/South Como. I want to express my opposition to the continued increases in property taxes year after year after year. I believe my property taxes have nearly tripled since I purchased my home. Many people in my neighborhood are low income or on fixed incomes, and will soon be priced out of our homes.

Please pass this input on to Mayor Carter and the City Council. It would be wonderful to hear a proposal to raise money sometime that comes from any source other than low-income homeowners.

The flat city sales tax you recently imposed on residents is likewise a regressive tax that hits poor people the hardest. Federal demonstration projects don't plow the streets, hire first responders or pick up our garbage.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Franklin, resident

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