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To: [Scott Bradley](#); [Neis, Adrian \(CI-StPaul\)](#)
Subject: RE: Fire CO fee invoice
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Good morning Mr. Bradley,
Supervisor Neis can speak to their billing and any reductions possible, albeit unlikely.

You cannot appeal the bill itself, so your other option is to leave the bill unpaid and let it go to assessment. Then you would appeal (there is no fee for appealing these types of assessments). I will say that in the event your appeal is denied and no reduction given there is the additional admin fee, on top of the base fee, for assessments. While these matters don't go before me, as you know, and it is up to the Hearing Officer and Council, I would mention that typically when making her recommendations she weighs whether there was a City error and whether that cost should be paid by the taxpayers at large vs. the private property owner. I wouldn't expect that you see that assessment in the mail until 2023.

I did also want to note, I saw you have a number of unpaid garbage bills that have been levied (these can no longer be appealed). You can read about the City's garbage program here: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/public-works/residential-garbage> Please direct any questions about billing, etc to them directly. That is handled through Public Works. Just wanted to flag that for you since they do accumulate late fees and extra costs when they go to assessment.

Thanks,
Joanna



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Hi, I am reaching out to both of you since you have responded to my previous questions regarding a fire certificate of occupancy at my property located at 820 Ocean Street.

I received an invoice dated September 6th with a reference number of 102476 and folder RSN 4061475. The invoice totals \$531.

I am requesting to have some of the fees reversed. Specifically the three no entry fees of \$74 each, dated March 30th 2021, April 21st 2021 and May 25th 2021. The notices requesting inspection were being forwarded to the previous homeowner so I was unaware of this matter. This was discussed in a hearing I had earlier this summer.

I am also requesting a reduction of the initial fee and reinspection fee. The past couple of years I have received minimal income on this property and definitely not enough to offset the expenses. The repairs that came up on inspection, especially the one that required a permit, set me back greatly. So any relief would be appreciated.

Please let me know who I should forward this to if neither of you can assist. Thank you.

Scott