



## Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

**Date:** April 1, 2014

**To:** Honorable Kevin Reich, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Subject:** **Changes to Minneapolis Public Works Street Resurfacing Assessment Roll for payable 2014 tax files.**

**Recommendation:**

Pass a resolution cancelling a street resurfacing special assessment for property identified as PID 36-029-24-14-0003 at 2408 31<sup>st</sup> Ave S for payable 2014 and subsequent years' property taxes.

**Previous Directives:** None

**Department Information:**

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**Financial Impact**

Action is within current department budget.

**Community Impact**

City Goals: Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city.

**Supporting Information:**

Each year the Public Works Department transmits numerous assessment rolls to the County to be levied to the next years' property taxes statements. The assessment rolls are certified to Hennepin County by November 30<sup>th</sup> of the year.

The purpose of this letter is to request cancellation of a Public Works Department street resurfacing special assessment for payable 2014 and subsequent years. The property is located at 2408 31<sup>st</sup> Ave S, identified by Property ID No. 36-029-24-14-0003 and was in the Dorman N area street resurfacing project completed in 2013. The amount to be cancelled is \$1,035.51. The first of five installments is on the 2014 property taxes.

The City accepts prepayments of assessments through December 31<sup>st</sup> without interest as set out in Chapter 10, Section 26 of the Minneapolis City Charter. The property owners, C P Reeves and Mary Ann Nord paid the assessment in full on December 11, 2013 as evidenced in Finance Department records along with a copy of the cancelled check. The payment was not reported to Hennepin County to be removed from the 2014 property tax statement. This omission was brought to our attention when the property owner recently contacted Public Works to inquire about the assessment on their 2014 property tax bill.

Under the authority of Chapter 10 of the Minneapolis City Charter, the City Council assesses benefited properties for various improvement projects. Chapter 10, Section 15 of the City Charter further provides that the City Council may, by resolution, direct the County Auditor of Hennepin County, to cancel, on any record where the same appears, any special assessments therefore assessed and levied by said City Council, whether because the assessment was irregular or erroneous.

**T&PW** – Your Committee recommends passage and summary publication of the accompanying Resolution directing the Hennepin County Auditor to cancel the levied 5-year street resurfacing assessment for 2408 31<sup>st</sup> Av S, Minneapolis, identified by Property ID No 36-029-24-14-0003 for taxes payable in 2014 and subsequent years.

**Reich**

**Cancellation of Minneapolis Public Works  
Street Resurfacing Special Assessment**

**Directing the Hennepin county Auditor to cancel the special assessment for street resurfacing improvements for the payable 2014 and subsequent years' tax files described hereinafter.**

Whereas, in accordance with Chapter 10 of the Minneapolis City Charter, The City Council of the City of Minneapolis passed Resolutions in 2013 adopting the assessment rolls as prepared by the City Engineer and ordered the transmittal of certified copies of the assessment rolls to the Hennepin County Auditor for collection to begin on the 2014 real estate tax statements; and

Whereas, there is the following described assessment that is erroneously being carried on the real estate tax statement due to a full prepayment of the assessment.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10, Section 15 of the Minneapolis City Charter, the Hennepin County Auditor is hereby directed to cancel the following levied 5-year term special assessment from the 2014 and subsequent years' tax statement for 2408 31<sup>st</sup> Av S, Minneapolis as shown below:

<b><u>LEVY</u></b>	<b><u>PROJECT</u></b>	<b><u>PROPERTY ID</u></b>	<b><u>ORIGINAL AMT</u></b>
01027	5252Y	36-029-24-14-0003	\$1,035.51