

City of Minneapolis
Request for Committee Action

To: Transportation & Public Works
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From: Public Works Department
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File type: Resolution
Subcategory: Assessment

Subject:

Assessment Public Hearing for Sanitary Sewer Service Availability Charges

Description:

Passing a Resolution adopting the assessments in the total amount of \$1,550 for the fees for sanitary sewer service availability charges that remain unpaid.

Previous Actions:

August 11, 2015 – set public hearing

Ward/Neighborhood/Address:

Ward 6

Background/Analysis:

The Service Availability Charge (SAC) is a one-time fee imposed by Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) to Local Government Units for each new connection or increase in volume discharged to the metropolitan disposal system.

Each Local Government is required to pay SAC fees. The SAC rate charged is the rate in effect at the time of end-user payment to the Local Government regardless of when the permitting process began. MCES charges the City of Minneapolis, not the individual permit/license applicants. When unremitted SAC charges from prior years are discovered, the Local Government is responsible for correcting the annual reporting and remitting any amounts due to MCES within 30 days.

Local government units pass the SAC fee to the permit/license applicant via local ordinances. The SAC fee is usually assigned when a building/plumbing permit or business license is issued for a new building, a remodeling permit, or an expansion of a new business.

There is one business that has unpaid SAC fees in the total amount of \$1,550. (See attached Chart) The assessments are to be collected in their entirety on the 2016 real estate tax statements with interest charged on the assessments at 5%.

The property owner was mailed a Notice of Public Hearing letter with the amount to be assessed. Persons who wish to prepay the entire assessment lump sum without interest charges may do so through December 31, 2015.

Financial Review:

No financial impact.

This action will specify special assessments against benefited properties.

Attachments:

1. SAC Fees updated 7/27/15

By Reich

Adopting the assessments, levying the assessments and adopting the assessment roll for sanitary sewer service availability charges (SAC) on the list of properties as on file in the City Engineer's Special Assessment Office.

Whereas, a public hearing was held on September 29, 2015 in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 429.101 by authority of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 473 to consider the proposed assessments as shown on the proposed assessment roll on file in the City Engineer's Special Assessment Office, and to consider all written and oral objections and statements regarding this matter;

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

That the proposed assessments against the affected properties on the 2015 SAC Fees list updated July 27, 2015, as on file in the City Engineer's Special Assessment Office in the total amount of \$1,550 as shown on the proposed assessment roll on file in the City Engineer's Special Assessment Office is hereby adopted and levied;

Be It Further Resolved that the assessments be collected in their entirety on the 2016 real estate tax statements with interest charged at the rate of 5%.

Be It Further Resolved that the assessment roll as prepared by the City Engineer be and hereby is adopted and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of said assessment roll to the Hennepin County Auditor.