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To: Minneapolis City Clerk's Office
C/O T&PW Committee Coordinator
350 S. 5th St., Room 304
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1382

CITY CLERK
DEPARTMENT

Re: Standish Area Residential Street Resurfacing Project No. 5279C
Date: February 29, 2016

To whom it may concern:

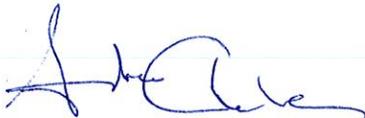
Neither of us can be in attendance at the March 1st Public Hearing, so we are writing this letter to object to the proposed assessment for the street resurfacing project that would affect our home, address listed above. We have two main concerns.

First, traffic constantly exceeds the speed limit coming down the hill on 23rd Avenue in front of our house, traveling northbound toward 38th Street. This poses two main safety risks: 23rd Avenue is narrow on the blocks in between 42nd Street and 38th Street so vehicles speeding down the hill are dangerous to vehicles coming up the hill, and our corner at the bottom of the hill on 39th Street and 23rd Avenue is controlled only by a two-way stop, which provides no incentive for drivers coming down the hill to decrease their speed at any point. Resurfacing 23rd Avenue on these blocks will only serve to make this route more attractive to drivers exceeding the speed limit. The safety of our street is of particular concern to us now as we have a 10 month old son.

Second, as we are on a corner, and the project as proposed would affect both roadways adjacent to our home, our assessment is extremely high. If this were the first or only project that required an assessment on our property, the proposed almost \$1,000 might not be such a substantial and overwhelming burden. This assessment comes on the heels on the recent assessment to "repair" our sidewalks within the last couple years. We are still paying for this work, and it will still be a while before the city has finished collecting that assessed amount from us.

This proposed project will make our street more dangerous and we cannot afford the amount quoted.

Sincerely,
Andrew and Elise Chambers



From: kavila@integrativemindfulness.com
To: [Menshek, Peggy Y](#)
Subject: Project No. 52790
Date: Monday, February 29, 2016 11:20:13 AM

Dear Ms. Menshek,

I am writing in objection to street resurfacing project #52790. Having had previous doctor appts. scheduled on Tuesday, March 1 in the morning and unable to get a mailed letter out, I am writing to you to present my objections.

First, this is an extraordinary amount of money to be added to taxes plus interest. I am 68 years old and a single home owner. I have recently cut down my business towards retirement and am fully retiring in June, 2016. I will not have cash flow, or have I planned for additional fees for my mortgage/property tax payments. I find this proposal unreasonable and unfair in this local neighborhood

Secondly, In driving on Mpls. city streets, I am confused as to this location as I experience disastrous pavement in other neighborhoods and locations. And in fact, it would seem these local streets targeted are in fairly good condition. It is confusing and seems unnecessary at this time of rising prices.

If I can further advocate for the conditions of financial burden and retirement challenges, I would greatly appreciate your support and information as to how to continue to object to this project. Thank you.

Katheleen Avila, M.A.
Licensed Psychologist
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"Love, compassion, and tolerance are necessities, not luxuries. Without them, humanity cannot survive."

His Holiness the Dalai Lama

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to protest my assessment of \$1966.80 for street repairs in my neighborhood.

I am a senior citizen with a visual disability. I have never driven, nor will I ever drive. I walk, bike and use mass transit. I understand that in our carcentric culture, we are all dependent in many ways on roads.

However, I find it grossly unfair that my assessment on my little house at 3636 43rd Ave So - Mpls. will be the same as a larger house owned by someone with two or more large vehicles.

Lot # 10.
Bruce Place Addn.
to Seven Oaks
40 x 127

Please respond,

Kathryn Anderson
3636 43rd Ave So Mpls. 55406

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Department of Public Works
309 2nd Avenue South, Room #300
Minneapolis, MN 55401-2268

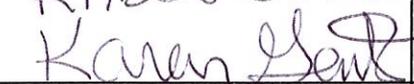
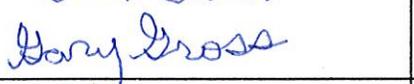
RE: Standish Area Residential Street Resurfacing Project #5279C

Dear Sir or Madam:

We, the taxpayers signed below, have received your letter dated February 11, 2016, regarding the Standish Area Residential Street Resurfacing Project #5279C. We hereby object in writing to this project. Below are our signatures and our corresponding PID/lot descriptions.

Thank you,

Taxpayers of Standish Area/Dight Avenue South

Name/Signature	Address	PID	Lot Description
FLOYD LEINUNY 	4212 DIGHT HT	028 23 31 0040	LOT 6 EARLY GRAD DRIVE
KAREN GENTZ 	4247 Dight	07 028 23 31 0068	LOT 3 44x91x44x76
CAROL HUGHES 	4234 Dight	07 028 23 31 0148	LOT 1, 2, 10 E 120x171x125x184
GARY GROSS 	4246 DIGHT	07 028 23 31 0077	LOT 5 E 40x159x42x163
Jerry Witz 	4242 SNELLINS	07 028 23 31 0066	Block 2 LOT 2 44x168 11 FT FRONT AVA REAR

Name/Signature	Address	PID	Lot Description
Javad Feghahati metro Taxi & Limo	3520 E. 43rd St.	07 028310149	lots 6 & 7 S151X79X159X76
JAYNE Taublieb Jayne	4242 Dight Ave S	07028 2331 0076	LOT 4 ELWOOD Park E 40X163x42x167
Michael Mealy Michael Mealy	4237 Dight Ave	07 028 23 31 0064	Lot 2 Elwood Park W 44x78'
Tim Dalbee Tim Dalbee	4224 Dight Ave	07028233/0044	LOT-9 Edridge Addition E40X184X42X188
LINDA Bethke Linda Bethke	4216 Dight Ave So.	07-28-23-31- 0041	
Michael Neilson Michael J. Neilson	4222 DIGHT AVE Mpls, MN 55406		
Chris Lawler Chris Lawler	4251 Dight Ave Mpls, MN 55406		
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Mark Wiger
3340 44th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN. 55406

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February 23, 2016

I recently received another special assessment notice for more street resurfacing of neighboring streets. I don't necessarily object to paying for smooth streets providing that is what is received over the long term. More needs to be done to keep roads in good repair especially after they have been resurfaced.

What is irksome is that after the resurfacing has been completed, there are piece meal homeowner initiated water/sewer projects that occur as plumbing contractors are hired to dig up the street in order to repair or maintain their infrastructure. *These patch jobs are often times substandard and result in chuck holes and depressions defeating the purpose intended by the special assessment funded resurfacing projects.*

42nd avenue South from Lake Street to 34 Street was resurfaced less than 3 years ago. As of today on just that 4 block section there are two instances of significant deterioration that has occurred because of substandard asphalt repair work associated with homeowner contracted infrastructure repair. These developing pot holes have existed for months.

- In the south bound lane in front of house number 3324 there is a depression that extends almost the entire width of the lane there are two developing pot holes on either end of the depression.
- The second instance is in front of house number 3218 the decaying depression absorbs 2/3rds of the lane where 20% of the asphalt seems thinning or gone while a 12 inch pot hole has begun forming on one end.

At best these deteriorated patches are miserable to drive over and are developing into a road/safety hazard. If citizens are going to be regularly assessed for resurfacing projects then more needs to be done to regulate and enforce resurfacing repairs done by private contractors performing follow up infrastructure repairs for neighborhood homeowners.

There needs to be specific regulatory language giving the City enforcement grounds to ensure minimum quality standards and ongoing maintenance of temporary street patches. More effort could go towards training and educating contractors on the post sewer street repair and necessary procedures that contribute towards providing an adequate street patch.

Re-patch repair standards are especially important due to the added challenges of ^{increment} ~~in-climate~~ weather and resulting delays (ten months) in the timing of permanent repair work. As explained by Mr. Larry Matsumoto Mpls. Paving Construction supervisor, a sewer repair job that is done in late September won't even be put on the list of patch projects until after the May 1st weather warm up. At that time he explained the Street Department will apply a city wide approach beginning in one part and moving through in an efficient manner. Mr. Matsumoto said I could reach out to him AFTER July 1 if the potholes still have not been repaired with a permanent fix.

If citizens are going to be assessed for resurfacing projects, then timely cross divisional cooperation with in the City needs to assure ongoing smooth streets by enforcing quality workmanship when periodic repairs are made on the resurfaced roadways.

Sincerely,
Mark Wiger

