

February 26, 2016

**Notice of Public Hearing and Related Assessments for the Project Below**

ANGELICA GARCIA  
6136 4TH AVE S  
MINNEAPOLIS MN 55419

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As the taxpayer of the parcel with PID 22 028 24 44 0129, located at 6136 4TH AVE S.

And described as  
LOT # 10. Diamond Lake Highlands 2ND Div.  
40.00 X 131.00

Which is located within the proposed Diamond Lake Residential Resurfacing Project, Special Improvement of Existing Street No. 5279.

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016 at 9:30am at  
Location: ROOM 317 CITY HALL, 350 SOUTH FIFTH STREET, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

The proposed cost for the above said parcel is \$1,098.76.

For information, call (612) 673-2401 or visit [www.minneapolismn.gov/assessments](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/assessments)

You may attend the Public Hearing for this project, but you are not required to do so unless you choose to object in person for purposes of preserving your right to appeal. In accordance with the details outlined on Page 2, objections may be filed in writing rather than in person.

*I object to this assessment.*  


**From:** [Hjermstad, Suzette R.](#)  
**To:** [Mark Steven Apfelbacher](#)  
**Cc:** [Menshek, Peggy Y](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Special Assessment on Franklin Ave SE  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 01, 2016 9:07:45 AM

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Dear Mark,

I will forward your letter of objection to the Committee Clerk to be entered into the record. This will preserve your right to file an appeal in District Court if you are unsatisfied with the outcome of the Council action after the public hearing.

Sincerely,

**Suzette Hjermstad**

*Supervisor, Public Works Special Assessment Office*

**City of Minneapolis – Public Works Department**

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Minneapolis, MN 55401

Office: 612-673-2401

[Suzette.Hjermstad@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:Suzette.Hjermstad@minneapolismn.gov)

**From:** Mark Steven Apfelbacher [mailto:mapfelbacher@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 29, 2016 8:12 PM  
**To:** Hjermstad, Suzette R.  
**Subject:** Special Assessment **on Franklin Ave SE**

Hi there Suzette, I - Mark Steven Apfelbacher - am the owner of PID: 3002923440032. We have received a notice regarding the special assessment for Franklin Ave SE and Cecil Street SE. While we see lane and resurfacing as needed on Franklin Ave Se and as beneficial for both traffic mitigation and multi-modal transportation:

We do not agree with the assessment being assessed to our property on what is by city map as Cecil Street SE. It does not need to be resurfaced at all as it does not receive any significant amount of vehicle traffic. This is our written notice of objections to the assessment to our property that we drastically unfair at \$1.759.48.

- The surface of Cecil has not had any patchwork or pothole management.
- Drainage on the street is substantial and ware course of bituminous is in above average condition for a 30+ year street.
- Our property does not interconnect directly with Franklin Ave SE in any way unless through other properties. .
- We do not need to drive onto Franklin at all to exit our driveway and drive upon other local streets.

We are not in the State of Minnesota on March 22 hearing.

Please advise as to next steps.

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**From:** [Lynn Coleman](#)  
**To:** [Menshek, Peggy Y](#)  
**Subject:** Resurfacing Project  
**Date:** Monday, March 21, 2016 1:57:19 PM

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Ms. Menshek:

I am a retired senior on a fixed income. I can barely make it as is. The city replaced part of my sidewalk 2 summers ago and in doing so; broke one of the sidewalk blocks-thus charging me more. (They road their machine over the corner of the cement sidewalk and cracked it).

Now you are trying to charge me \$1,150.80 to repair the STREETS??????  
!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I protest this. The city makes enough money on taxpayers as it is - find the money somewhere else.

Not only are we experiencing gentrification - now more money for the city? While it takes 3-4 men to dig a hole. The contractors that did my sidewalk were rude, condescending and down right unprofessional.

I protest this and do not have the funds to give to the city.

Lynn Davis

## Written Comments re: Franklin Avenue Resurfacing Project

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**FROM:** St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church  
Parish Council  
1500 Franklin Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414

**TO:** City of Minneapolis City Council  
Transportation and Public Works Committee  
Kevin Reich (chair); Linea Palmisano (vice-chair); Cam Gordon; Blong Yang;  
Elizabeth Glidden; Lisa Bender

**DATE:** March 22, 2016

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Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee:

I am Julia Earl, Acting Chair of the Parish Council of St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church. Thank you for the opportunity to provide written and verbal comments regarding the upcoming resurfacing project of Franklin Avenue.

St. Frances Cabrini is a vibrant, inclusive 21<sup>st</sup> century Catholic Church. Our community includes over 425 families, the majority of whom attend regular weekly services on Saturday evenings at 5:00 pm and Sunday mornings as well as special events including funerals.

We're pleased that the City is undertaking the resurfacing of Franklin Avenue in designated areas. We have also appreciated the opportunity to discuss this project with Public Works and Council staff. We welcome the addition of a designated bike lane as a community that supports wise stewardship of our beautiful planet and efforts to mitigate climate change. That said, we support access for **both** the able-bodied and people experiencing disabilities. While many in our community are able-bodied and enjoy biking to church, greater numbers in our faith community are aging, reflecting the broader demographic trends of our country. As such we have increasing needs for accessible parking (sometimes referred to as *Handicapped Parking*).

Prior to the roll out of the 2016 resurfacing project, our understanding is that Cabrini had successfully obtained permits for more accessible parking on Franklin Avenue with curb cuts which foster much greater ease getting in and out of vehicles. However, immediately preceding that work, those permits were rescinded and we've been in a holding pattern until the details of the resurfacing project were worked out.

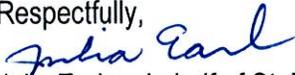
For the record, we'd like to both confirm our understanding of the current configuration of the resurfacing project and make requests for future adjustments.

- Our understanding is that Cabrini won't lose any on-street parking on the South or East-bound Lane of Franklin Avenue with the resurfacing based on the Informational Meeting held March 8, 2016 and discussions with Council Member Gordon's Policy Aide Robin Garwood. However, we also understand we will lose parking on the North West-bound side of Franklin to accommodate the bike lane.
- Cabrini will maintain parking spots on East-bound Franklin Avenue during Masses (Sat evenings, Sunday mornings and "Special Events" (e.g. funerals). Apart from Special Events we will not have on-street parking during the week – as is the current situation.
- As suggested by the City, we would like to explore adding additional parking spaces on the East-bound side of the bridge deck over Highway 94.

- Cabrini may request designating Franklin Avenue parking spots as Accessible/Handicapped following resurfacing.
- The current "handicapped transfer zone" is inadequate to meet our growing need. Although St. Frances Cabrini ideally prefers the installation of curb cuts concurrent with the Franklin Avenue resurfacing, we understand the Department of Public Works has ruled against this option. Therefore, we are requesting the possibility of installing additional curb cuts following the resurfacing project in order to meet the needs of our population, enable full accessible parking and grant access to our building for people of all abilities. (I also note that our building is an active site for other community meetings including AA and others.)
- We'd like to request the option of potentially installing a parking bay on the south side of Franklin Avenue. We understand installing this feature would be St. Frances Cabrini's cost.
- Lastly, we request the option to explore further parking on East side of River Terrace (on the North-South section) during Mass times (Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings).

Thank you very much for the opportunity to share our understanding and concerns at this time. We remain open to discussion and dialogue.

Respectfully,



Julia Earl on behalf of St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church Parish Council

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