



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

**Date:** March 20, 2007  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Subject:** Special Assessment Deferment Application for Sidewalk Repair

### Recommendation:

Adoption of a Committee Report approving the special assessment deferment application submitted by Mae L. O'Neil to defer a new sidewalk repair assessment in the remaining principal amount of \$610.68 for payable 2007 and subsequent years on property at 2912 - 33<sup>rd</sup> Av S, PID No. 31-029-23-33-0088.

**Previous Directives:** None

**Prepared by:** Suzette R. Hjermstad, PW Special Assessments Dept. 673-2401 (for Ruth Kildow, Senior Citizen Ombudsman)  
Richard Smith, Assistant Director of Public Works

**Approved by:**

Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenters:** Suzette R. Hjermstad, Real Estate Investigator II

### Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain): Assessment lien against benefited property
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

### Background/Supporting Information:

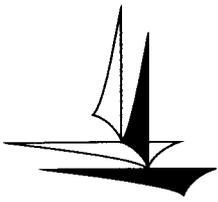
By the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 435.193 through 435.195 and City Council Resolutions, 80R-365, passed August 8, 1980 and 93R-134 passed April 16, 1993, the City may defer the payment of special assessments for any homestead property owned by a person 65 years of age or older or retired by virtue of a permanent and total disability for whom it would be a hardship to make the payments. During the period of deferment, simple interest will accumulate on the total principal amount of the assessment. The interest rate is the annual average rate of interest earned by the City in previous fiscal years.

In order for Hennepin County to defer the assessment on the tax rolls, a City Council Resolution is required. The Senior Citizen Ombudsman has reviewed the applicant's qualifications for deferment and is forwarding the following for the Committee's consideration and approval.

Mae L. O'Neil of 2912 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue S, Property ID 31-029-23-33-0088 has signed the appropriate papers requesting special assessment deferment (see attached). The assessment for the sidewalk repair was included on the list of properties for a public hearing that was held on October 11, 2005. This deferment would start with the payable 2007 tax year for the sidewalk repairs.

Attachment 1 - Senior Citizen Ombudsman cover letters and deferment application.

C: Council Member Gary Schiff, Ward 9  
Ruth Kildow, Senior Citizen Ombudsman



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February 14, 2007

Council Member Sandra Colvin Roy  
Chair, Transportation & Public Works  
3007 City Hall  
Minneapolis, MN

Re: Mae O'Neil  
2912-33<sup>rd</sup> Ave South  
Minneapolis, MN 55406

Dear Council Member Colvin Roy:

Ms. O'Neil, a low-income senior citizen, has applied for a deferment on sidewalk repair at her home.

Four copies of the notarized application for deferment of special assessments are enclosed. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Kildow".

Ruth Kildow, Ombudsman

APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DEFERRAL OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

M.S. 435.193

State of Minnesota
County of Hennepin

APPLICANT: Submit 4 notarized copies of this application to your municipality or taxing district.

DATE 7-29-07

I, the undersigned, declare: Mae L. O'Neil
PRINT OR TYPE NAME HERE
PROPERTY I.D. NUMBERS 31-029-23-33-00 88

That I reside at 2912 33rd Avenue South, MPLS MN 55406
That I am the owner of the property legally described as: (Give legal description)
Abstract [X] Torrens [ ]
That I am not less than 65 years of age and that the date of my birth is 5-20-26
That I am retired because of permanent and total disability

Lot #004 Block 005
South Minneapolis Add'n

Additional Sheet Attached

That my interest in the ownership of the above property was acquired on June 19 41
and is as follows: [X] SOLE OWNERSHIP [ ] OTHER UNDIVIDED INTEREST - Specify
[ ] JOINT TENANCY - HELD WITH

That on January 2, 19 2007 or June 1, 19 41, I owned and occupied the above property as my homestead and that such occupancy began on June 19 41.

That the assessment charges duly adopted by ordinance which have been allocated against the subject property would create undue personal hardship on my behalf and I respectfully request that payment be delayed and that such taxes be deferred.

Table with 6 columns: Levy No., Date of First Annual Payment, Total Amt. of Levy, Remaining Amt. of Levy, Interest Rate of Levy, Amount Deferred. Includes handwritten entries for 01052 and PROS 06305.

Notarial Stamp or Seal STATE OF MINNESOTA
County of Hennepin
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29th day of January 19 2007 By Mae L. O'Neil (Applicant)
RUTH J. KILDOW Notary Public
My commission expires 1-31-10
I certify the above to be true and correct. (Signature of Applicant) Mae O'Neil

AUTHORIZATION

I, Clerk of the of in Hennepin County, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that this application has been duly reviewed and that in accordance with the minutes of official record in said chambers was duly [ ] APPROVED [ ] DENIED as of 19 (Seal)

That in accordance with approval granted, that the taxes on the affiants subject property levied for collection as described should be so deferred in the TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$ and compounded at the additional interest rate of % until such time as it is deemed the applicant no longer qualifies or the property loses its eligibility.
Date of Approval Clerk or Authorized Deputy

ORDER OF DEFERRAL REGISTER OF DEEDS
I certify that I have reviewed this application and that it has been duly approved and that assessment charges levied for special assessments under the subject ordinance have been officially deferred as stipulated by the above subdivision and recorded in the Register of Deeds office in this county as noted, and it is so ordered.
DATE OF ORDER COUNTY AUDITOR
ORDER OF TERMINATION