



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

Date: April 6, 2010
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: **Special Assessment Deferment Applications for Street Reconstruction and Water Service Line Repairs**

Recommendation:

1. Adoption of a Committee Report approving the special assessment deferment applications submitted by:
 - a. Gail M. Harbeck to defer an existing street reconstruction assessment with a principal balance remaining in the amount of \$3,505.82 for payable 2010 and subsequent years on property at 3921 28th Av S, PID No. 12-028-24-11-0009.
 - b. Barbara Marston to defer a new water service line repair assessment in the principal amount of \$4,180 for payable 2010 and subsequent years on property at 1840 26th St E, PID No. 36-029-24-23-0036.

Previous Directives:

None

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Don Elwood, P.E., Director, Transportation Planning & Engineering

Approved by:

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

Presenters: Suzette R. Hjermsstad, Real Estate Investigator II

Financial Impact

Assessment lien against benefited property

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 Services Ombudsman has reviewed the applicants' qualifications for deferment and is forwarding the following for the Committee's consideration and approval.

Gail M Harbeck of 3921 28th Ave S, Property ID 12-028-24-11-0009 signed the appropriate papers requesting special assessment deferment for a street reconstruction assessment that was levied to the property taxes starting in 2007 in the original principal amount of \$4,124.48. The assessment now has a remaining balance of \$3,505.82. This deferment would start with the payable 2010 tax year for the street reconstruction assessment.

Barbara Marston of 1840 26th St E, Property ID 36-029-24-23-0036 signed the appropriate papers requesting special assessment deferment for a water service line repair. The assessment is included on the list of properties for the public hearing that was held on October 20, 2009. The deferment would start with the payable 2010 tax year for the water service line repair assessment.

Attachment 1 - Senior Services Ombudsman cover letters and deferment applications.

C: Council Member Gary Schiff, Ward 9
Council Member Sandy Colvin Roy, Ward 12
Ruth Kildow, Senior Services Ombudsman

T&PW - Your Committee, having considered the special assessment deferment applications submitted by:

1. Gail M. Harbeck (Disabled Citizen) to defer the special assessment (Levy 01026, Project 4330C) for street reconstruction in the original principal amount of \$4,124.48, and a remaining principal balance of \$3,505.82 for payable 2010 and subsequent years, on the property at 3921 28th Av S, PID 12-028-24-11-0009, legal description: The South 78 ft of the West ½ of Lot 7, except alley, "Altruria";
2. Barbara Marston (Senior Citizen) to defer the special assessment (Levy 01028, Project 10WTR) for water service line repair in the principal amount of \$4,180 for payable 2010 and subsequent years, on the property at 1840 26th St E, PID 36-029-24-23-0036, legal description: Lot 21, Auditor's Subdivision No. 16 Hennepin County, Minn.

now recommends that the applications be approved as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 435.193 through 435.195 and Council Resolutions 80R-365 passed August 8, 1980 and 93R-134 passed April 16, 1993.