



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

Date: January 30, 2007
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: **Special Assessment Deferment Applications for sidewalk repair and sewer service line repairs.**

Recommendation:

- a.) Adoption of a Committee Report approving the special assessment deferment applications submitted by:
1. Olive Williams to defer a new sidewalk repair assessment in the principal amount of \$1047.20 for payable 2007 and subsequent years on property at 922 Thomas Av N, PID No. 20-029-24-14-0201.
 2. J.P. Harvey and M.A. Dal Bianco to defer a new sidewalk repair assessment in the principal amount of \$2381.37 for payable 2007 and subsequent years on property at 3758 Russell Av N, PID No. 05-029-24-44-0166.
 3. Jeffrey D. Yantes to defer a sewer service line repair assessment in the principal amount of \$5500.00 for payable 2007 and subsequent years on property at 3149 – 15th Av S, PID 02-028-24-12-0198.

Previous Directives: None

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(for Ruth Kildow, Senior Citizen Ombudsman)
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Approved by:

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

Presenters: Suzette R. Hjermsstad, 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.

Olive Williams of 922 Thomas Av N, Property ID 20-029-24-14-0201 and J.P. Harvey and M.A. Dal Bianco of 3758 Russell Av N, Property ID 05-029-24-44-0166 have signed the appropriate papers requesting special assessment deferments (see attached). The assessments for the sidewalk repairs are included on the list of properties for the public hearing that was held on October 10, 2006. This deferment would start with the payable 2007 tax year for the sidewalk repairs.

Jeffrey D. Yantes of 3149 – 15th Av S, Property ID 02-028-24-12-0198 has signed the appropriate papers requesting special assessment deferment for a sewer service line repair. The assessment is included on the list of properties for the public hearing that was held on September 26, 2006. The deferment would start with the payable 2007 tax year for the sewer service line repair.

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

C: Council Member Barbara Johnson, Ward 4
Council Member Don Samuels, Ward 5
Council Member Gary Schiff, Ward 9
Ruth Kildow, Senior Citizen Ombudsman

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

1. Olive Williams (Disabled Citizen) to defer the special assessment (Levy 01052, Project 07S05) for sidewalk repair in the principal amount of \$1,047.20 for payable 2007 and subsequent years, on the property at 922 Thomas Av N, PID 20-029-24-14-0201, legal description: Lot 13, Block 2, Rees's Addition to Minneapolis;
2. J.P. Harvey and M.A. Del Bianco (Disabled Citizens) to defer the special assessment (Levy 01052, Project 07S10) for sidewalk repair in the principal amount of \$2,381.37 for payable 2007 and subsequent years, on the property at 3758 Russell Av N, PID 05-029-24-44-0166, legal description: Lot 30, Block 2, Woodland Heights Addition to Minneapolis; and
3. Jeffrey D. Yantes (Disabled Citizen) to defer the special assessment (Levy 01083, Project 07SWR) for sewer service line repair in the principal amount of \$5,500.00 for payable 2007 and subsequent years, on the property at 3149 – 15th Av S, PID 02-028-24-12-0198, legal description: Lot 14, Block 8, William's Addition to Minneapolis,

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.