



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

Date: September 1, 2009
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair, Transportation and Public Works Committee
Subject: **Snow and Ice Removal from Public Sidewalks: Assessment Public Hearing**

Recommendation:

Passage of a Resolution adopting the assessments in the total amount of \$137,117.20, levying the assessments, adopting the assessment rolls and directing the City Clerk to transmit certified copies of the assessment rolls to the Hennepin County Auditor.

This Resolution may be authorized for summary publication.

Previous Directives:

None

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Approved:

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

Presenters: Dan Bauer, Supervisor, Sidewalk Inspections and Suzette R. Hjermstad, R.E. Investigator II, Special Assessments Department

Reviews:

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan:	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	NA	Date

Financial Impact

Special assessment against benefited properties

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Public hearing notices mailed August 17, 2009.

City Goals: The City's infrastructure will be well-maintained.

Comprehensive Plan: Consistent

Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information Attached:

The properties on the attached list had the snow and ice removal work done by the City. These properties were sent a bill for the cost of the removal work, and have been notified that a special assessment for the removal charge plus interest would be added to the real estate taxes if the charges are not paid through the billing process.

The amount that is to be assessed as a special assessment principal is the cost of the removal work. The total principal amount of the proposed assessments on the list of properties dated August 3, 2009 is \$137,117.20. The assessments will be collected in their entirety on the 2010 real estate tax statements with interest. The interest rate will be determined by the assessment bond sale. Information has been provided in the Notices as to how people may prepay the assessments in full without interest charges if they so choose.

Assessment public hearing notices were mailed to property owners/taxpayers two weeks prior to the public hearing date.

Attachment 1: Snow Removal Assessment List

T&PW – Your Committee recommends passage and summary publication of the accompanying Resolution adopting and levying the assessments for the removals of snow and ice from public sidewalks on the list of properties set forth in Petn No _____.

Colvin Roy

Adopting and levying the assessments for the unpaid charges for the removals of snow and ice from public sidewalks on the list of properties set forth in Petn No _____.

Whereas, a public hearing was held on September 1, 2009 in accordance with Chapter 8, Sections 12 and 13 of the Minneapolis City Charter to consider the proposed assessments as shown on the proposed assessment rolls on file in the Office of the City Clerk and to consider all written and oral objections and statements regarding this matter;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the proposed assessments against the affected properties on the list dated August 3, 2009 set forth in Petn No _____ in the total amount of \$137,114.20 and as shown on the proposed assessment rolls on file in the Office of the City Clerk hereby are adopted and levied.

Be It Further Resolved that the assessments in the total amount of \$137,114.20 be collected in one (1) installment on the 2010 real estate tax statements with interest.

Be It Further Resolved that the assessment rolls as prepared by the City Engineer be and hereby are adopted and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of said assessment rolls to the Hennepin County Auditor.