Resolution 2014-355

Resolution Assessing Certain Properties to Defray the Cost of Removing Diseased Elm Trees From Private Properties During 2013 and 2014

Whereas, The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board has, pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 18G.13 and section 429.101, subdivisions 1(6), caused certain diseased trees on various private properties to be removed;

Whereas, Said Board has caused to be prepared a proposed tree removal assessment roll to be levied by the Board and which is on file in the office of the Secretary of the Board; and

Whereas, Said Board, after due notice to affected property owners, held a public hearing on November 19,2014, relative to the levying of such assessments;

RESOLVED, That the assessment roll, on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board, is adopted by the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and is hereby assessed and levied against and upon each lot and parcel of land described therein, the respective amounts of money set against each lot or parcel of land as the special assessment against the lands named therein, to defray the cost of diseased tree removal from said properties, to be payable in five equal annual installments, with interest thereon at 5% per annum and the Secretary of the Board be, and is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution together with said assessment roll to the Finance Director of Hennepin County to enter said amounts on the tax lists of the County.

TO: Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

FROM: Julia Wiseman, Director Finance

DATE: November 19, 2014

SUBJECT: Resolution Assessing Certain Properties to Defray the Cost of Removing Diseased Elm Trees From Private Properties During 2013 and 2014

BACKGROUND

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 18G.13 and section 429.101, subdivisions 1(6), identified and caused diseased trees on various private properties to be removed during 2013 and 2014. Private properties within the City of Minneapolis are assessed for the cost of the diseased tree removals.

A public hearing for this assessment is scheduled for November 19, 2014 to provide property owners an opportunity to address the Board regarding the assessment. Once the public hearing is completed that Board will consider the resolution to levy the assessment. The levied assessment includes the actual contracted tree removal cost, administrative charge, and removal interest. This cost is spread in an installment method over five years with a 5% interest factor added to each installment. The certified levied assessment is sent to Hennepin County for collection as a special assessment. The first installment for this special assessment will appear on the 2014 taxes.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the assessment roll on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board and levied against and upon each lot and parcel of land described therein the cost of removing diseased trees from said properties during 2012 and 2013.

Previous Board Actions

October 22, 2014 Resolution 2014-316, Resolution Ordering Hearing to Consider Assessing Certain Properties to Defray the Cost of Removing Diseased Trees from Private Property during 2013 and 2014

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