

## City of White Bear Lake

### Fire Suppression Financing Program

Per Municipal Code 801.070, the City Council may consider a petition to finance the installation of a privately owned fire protection system.

The petition must contain all information needed by state statute and city code, including:

- a. The owner shall be responsible for contracting for the actual installation of the fire sprinkler system. However, the City shall have the final right to disapprove any contractor selected by the owner.
- b. The amount to be specially assessed for the project must be verified by a sworn construction statement and shall not exceed that amount plus reasonable design fees, City administrative costs and interest charges. The petitioner shall be responsible for any construction costs exceeding the amount of the construction estimate.
- c. The petitioner must waive all rights to a public hearing and any appeal of the special assessment adopted by the City Council.
- d. No payment shall be made by the City for installation until the work is completed and finally approved by the City Council and the assessment is adopted.
- e. No special assessment shall be made for a period of more than 10 years.
- f. If the petitioner requests the abandonment of the special assessment project, all City cost incurred shall be reimbursed by the petitioner.
- g. All petitions for the special assessment of the improvement must be received and acted upon by the City Council prior to the start of any fire sprinkler installation.
- h. Consideration of any petition made under this section is subject to a determination by the City Council, in its sole discretion, that sufficient City funds are available for the improvement.

Contact the City's Housing and Economic Development Coordinator if you are interested in the program, **651-762-4838**.

See how the cost breaks down over a 10-year period.

