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City Council  
Sacramento, California

APPROVED  
BY THE CITY COUNCIL

Honorable Members in Session:

DEC 6 1983

SUBJECT: \$3,240.25 REFUND OF REGIONAL SANITATION OVERCHARGES

OFFICE OF THE  
CITY CLERK

SUMMARY

This report recommends the City Council approve a \$3,240.25 refund of erroneously billed Regional Sanitation charges.

BACKGROUND

During the implementation of the revised Regional Sanitation rates effective March 1, 1983, a City clerical error resulted in a bimonthly charge for Regional Sanitation to Ida A. Keys of \$6,248.00 instead of the proper amount of \$80.00. Ida A. Keys received billings from the City in May and July, 1983, with the erroneous charges. However, Ida A. Keys has not directly paid any City charges since April 20, 1982. Due to this lack of periodic payment, Ida A. Keys did not realize the large increase in the bimonthly billings.

On August 9, 1983, the City Council approved liens for unpaid City utility service charges, including \$3,240.25 of the Regional Sanitation charges erroneously billed. Ida A. Keys failed to appeal or protest the lien and the amount has been levied on the 1983-84 property tax bill.

Ida A. Keys brought this problem to our attention on September 20, 1983. Technically, the charges can stand as approved due to the failure of Ida A. Keys to register a protest. However, staff believes it would be equitable to allow the refund for the erroneous charges.

Procedurally, at this time, it is impossible to remove the tax lien by any means other than direct payment to the Sacramento County Auditor/Controller. Staff recommends the City Council approve a payment in the amount of \$3,240.25, payable jointly to Ida A. Keys and the Sacramento County Auditor/Controller, to remove the lien. The joint payees assure the money will be repaid to the City.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve the attached resolution granting a refund in the amount of \$3,240.25 to Ida A. Keys.

Respectfully submitted,

  
MICHAEL L. MEDEMA  
Revenue Officer

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:

  
WALTER J. SLIPE, City Manager

Attachment

All Districts  
December 6, 1983

**RESOLUTION NO. 83-957**

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$3,240.25 FROM THE SEWER FUND FOR ERRONEOUS BILLINGS TO IDA A. KEYS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

That the Finance Director is authorized to refund \$3,240.25 from the Sewer Fund for erroneous Regional Sanitation charges to Ida A. Keys. The refund shall be payable jointly to Ida A. Keys and the Sacramento County Auditor/Controller.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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