

entation of deed of certain property to be used for street purposes, respectfully report that the matter has been given our careful consideration and upon investigation find that the petitioner was the owner of nearly all the property located in the block bounded by Hancock, Forest, Mt. Elliott avenues and Ellery street, which said property was originally platted with two 20-foot alleys extending from Forest to Hancock avenue, but for some reason or other lots were sold abutting upon said alleys and the purchasers informed that they abutted upon a 40-foot street and not upon 20-foot alleys as is shown by the plat put upon record.

This condition of affairs existed for some years and on the 7th day of November, 1896, the petitioner induced the original platter of the property, Charles W. H. Potter, to execute a warranty deed to the City of Detroit of ten feet on each side of the aforesaid alleys, which are now known as Heck place and Ellery place, respectively, which said deed was given subject to the cancellation of the general taxes and special assessments that had been levied against these respective parcels of land up to the time of the dedication; that said deed was not accepted at the time it was presented for some reason or other that is unascertainable at this time, and the neglect of making proper disposition of it at the time it was presented caused tax title investors to obtain between 40 and 50 tax titles against the property in question, but all of which have been set aside by the Attorney-General through the efforts of the Secretary of Committees.

Your committee feels that this matter should be cleared up for once and for all. The property owners purchased their respective properties under the impression that they abutted on a 40-foot street, and inasmuch as all the state and county taxes have been canceled, leaving only the city taxes; for a few years unpaid, your committee recommend that the request of the petitioner be granted, and that the deed tendered be accepted and therefore offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
MAURICE J. KEATING,  
JOHN J. STEIGER,  
EDWIN JEROME,  
LOUIS E. TOSSY,  
M. W. M'GUIRE.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered.

By Ald. Keating:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel any and all general city taxes and special assessments that remain unpaid against the easterly 10 feet of lots 4, 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 48, 12, 61, 60, 59, 58, 57 and 56; also the westerly 10 feet of lots 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 5, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 and 49 of Potter's sub. of n  $\frac{1}{2}$  of outlot 22 and the southerly 76.12 feet of outlot 23 of the Leib farm, provided, the warranty deed of C. W. H. Potter is approved by the Committee on Ways and Means and accepted by the Common Council, to which committee we recommend its reference.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt,

McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman, and the President—31.  
Nays—None.

### Ways and Means.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the communication from the Controller relative to the payment of certain overtime claims of employes of the Department of Parks and Boulevards, respectfully report that we have given the matter careful consideration and believe that these are proper charges against the Park and Boulevard fund. We find that there is a surplus in this fund from miscellaneous receipts over and above the estimated amount thereof in the estimates for the current year. As these claims can properly be paid from these surplus moneys, we recommend that such be done, and herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
RICHARD P. JOY,  
OTTO REINHARDT,  
H. F. LIPHARDT,  
WM. C. HOUGHTON,  
WM. HILLGER.

Accepted and leave being granted, the following resolution was offered:  
By Ald. Joy:

Resolved, That the overtime claims of employes of the Department of Parks and Boulevards, heretofore allowed by this Council, be paid from the Park and Boulevard fund, using therefor a part of the surplus moneys from the receipts of the Department over and above the amount of same allowed in the estimates for the current year.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt, McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman and the President—31.  
Nays—None.

### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the warranty deed of C. W. H. Potter et al., of certain pieces or parcels of land to be used for street purposes, by report of the Committee on Street Openings presented at this session, beg leave to report that we have carefully considered the matter and find that the deed is certified to by the City Engineer as being correct in description and by a former Corporation Counsel as being correct in form and execution and title satisfactory; that inasmuch as the street has been used as a public street and highway for ten years and more, it is a highway by user, and, therefore, the deed is not necessary, but, however, it would be best to accept the deed and thus leave no question as to the city's title in said street.

We therefore recommend that the abstract be waived and the deed be

accepted, and herewith offer the following resolution.  
 Respectedly submitted,  
 RICHARD P. JOY,  
 OTTO REINHARDT,  
 H. F. LIPHARDT,  
 WM. HILLGER,  
 WM. C. HOUGHTON.

Accepted and resolution was offered:  
 By Ald. Joy:

Resolved, That the warranty deed of C. W. H. Potter et al., to the City of Detroit, of all those certain pieces or parcels situate in the City of Detroit, and more particularly described as follows: The easterly ten feet of lots 4, 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 48, 12, 61, 60, 59, 58, 57 and 56, also the westerly ten feet of lots 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 5, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 and 49, of Potter's sub. of the north ½ of out lot 22, and the southerly 76.12 feet of out lot 23, Leib farm, be and the same is hereby accepted, and the City Controller be and is hereby authorized and directed to cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Wayne, Mich.

Adopted as follows:  
 Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt, McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman and the President—31.  
 Nays—None.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the reports of the various city officers for the week ending Nov. 1, 1902, respectfully report that with the Chief Accountant we have examined the same, and believing them to be correct, recommend their approval.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD P. JOY,  
 OTTO REINHARDT,  
 H. F. LIPHARDT,  
 WM. HILLGER,  
 WM. C. HOUGHTON.

Accepted and adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt, McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman and the President—31.

Nays—None.

#### Resolutions.

##### FIRST WARD.

By Ald. Codd:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby authorized to issue a permit to T. J. Sage to construct electric sign at No. 116 Woodward avenue.

Provided, That said work shall be performed under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, and in accordance with plans submitted to and approved by said Department; and provided, further, that no rights in the public streets shall be considered waived by this permission, which is granted expressly on the condition that said sign and all obstructions in connection therewith shall be removed

at any time when so directed by the Common Council.

Adopted.  
 By Ald. Codd:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby authorized to issue a permit to P. Bock to construct electric sign at No. 96 Gratiot avenue.

Provided, That said work shall be performed under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, and in accordance with plans submitted to and approved by said Department; and provided, further, that no rights in the public streets shall be considered waived by this permission, which is granted expressly on the condition that said sign and all obstructions in connection therewith shall be removed at any time when so directed by the Common Council.

Adopted.

By Ald. Codd:

Resolved, That the Committee on Charter and City Legislation be and they are hereby requested to confer with the senators and representatives-elect from the City of Detroit for the purpose of drafting a new charter for the City of Detroit, or such revision thereof as may seem necessary, for the purpose of submitting same to this Council for approval, and that for the purpose of said compilation or revision the said committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ counsel at a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars, to be paid from the proper fund.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt, McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman and the President—31.

Nays—None.

##### FOURTH WARD.

By Ald. Keating:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby authorized to issue a permit to Lane Bros. to construct areas at front and side of under construction on north side of Michigan and east side of Fourth.

Provided, That said work shall be performed under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, and in accordance with plans submitted to and approved by said department, and provided, further, that no rights in the public streets shall be considered waived by this permission, which is granted expressly on the condition that said areas and all obstructions in connection therewith shall be removed at any time when so directed by the Common Council.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Atkinson, Beamer, Burns, Campbell, Codd, Dederich, Haarer, Hillger, Houghton, Jerome, Joy, Keating, Koch, Koenig, Lemke, Liphardt, McGuire, Magee, Moeller, Mohn, Nevermann, Reinhardt, Rutter, Snow, Steiger, Tossy, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Wildman and the President—31.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Keating:

Resolved, That the Public Lighting Commission be and is hereby requested to cause an arm light to be erected on Euclid avenue, between