

From the Clerk of the Recorder's Court.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen: I respectfully report to your honorable body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of widening the alley in the block bounded by Delaware, Seward, Greenfield and Merrill avenues, where not already open to a width of 16 feet as a public alley rendered a verdict in favor of said opening November 27th, 1915, which was confirmed by the Court December 1st, 1915.

In accordance with the statute, I herewith transmit a certified copy of said verdict, and of the judgment of confirmation.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. GROGAN,
Clerk.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

From the Clerk.

That he presented such portion of the proceedings of the last session as is required by the Charter to be so presented, to his Honor the Mayor for approval, on the 6th inst., and that they were approved on the 7th inst.

Placed on file.

Also, that he is in receipt of quit-claim deed of The Hupp Motor Car Company, to The City of Detroit of the northerly fourteen feet of Lot No. 102, Goodrich & Burton's sub'd'n. etc.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

From the Clerk

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen: I beg to advise your Honorable Body that I am in receipt of the following communication, from the Michigan R. R. Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD LINDSAY,
City Clerk.

The following is the communication referred to:

STATE OF MICHIGAN.
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMMISSION.

Session of the Michigan Railroad Commission held at its offices in the city of Lansing on the 12th day of November, A. D. 1915.

Present—Hon. C. L. Glasgow, Commissioner; Hon. C. S. Cunningham, Commissioner.

In the matter of the application of Alderman Ellis of the city of Detroit, for 24 hours protection at the Warren Avenue crossing of the tracks of the Michigan Central Belt Line in the city of Detroit.

Application having been received from Alderman Ellis of the city of Detroit, for 24 hours protection at the Warren Avenue crossing of the tracks of the Michigan Central Belt Line in the city of Detroit, and the premises in question having been inspected by Inspecting Engineer Bice, at which time Alderman Ellis was present as well as representatives of the Michigan Central Railroad Company, and were heard with reference to said application;

The Commission, after examining the report of the said inspection and due consideration having been given

thereto, have determined that the request is a reasonable one.

Therefore it is hereby ordered, That you, the Michigan Central Railroad Company, within 5 days from service hereof, cause a watchman to be located at the said Warren Avenue crossing of your tracks during the 24 hours of the day each and every day of the week instead of between the hours of 6 a. m. and 8 p. m., except Sundays, to warn the public of approaching engines and trains until the further order of the Commission.

Dated November 12, 1915.

C. L. GLASGOW,
Commissioner.

C. S. CUNNINGHAM,
Commissioner.

Accepted and placed on file.
Ald. Robinson entered and took his seat.

From the Clerk.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—In view of the fact that the printing of the Common Council proceedings is this year costing the city approximately three times the previous rate, about 70 cents per inch, it seems to be advisable that some of the old forms be abolished and systems more condensed be used by the different departments. I have taken the matter up with several of the different departments and have made suggestions for new forms, which will greatly reduce printing bills in the course of the year.

The Controller has agreed to eliminate the printing of his list of approved accounts in detail if the sanction of your Honorable Body can be given in this case. He points out that the printing of this list is considered important in that it keeps the public informed of the weekly expenditures in the various funds. However, this list would still be a part of the Council Proceedings and could be examined by anyone at any time upon request, and the public would not, therefore, be denied any privilege it now has, except of seeing the list in the official paper. The eliminating of the publication of this list of accounts would save the city at the present rate of printing, approximately \$50,000 per week. The Controller is very willing to give it a trial with the approval of your Honorable Body.

I recommend the reference of this communication to the Committee on Ways and Means in order that a report may be made on the latter subject.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD LINDSAY,
City Clerk.

Accepted and recommendation concurred in.

From the Clerk.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen:—I beg to advise your Honorable Body that the following liquor dealers' applications and bonds, under Act 291 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, have been filed in my office.

APPLICATIONS.

1811—Henry D. Generous, for transfer from No. 219 Atwater street east to No. 232 Russell street.