

above named sewers are in accordance with the ordinances and that all legal requirements have been complied with.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEO. H. FENKELL,  
Commissioner.

George H. Fenkell,  
Public Works Commissioner,  
Dear Sir—Lateral sewer clippings Nos. 2907, 2912, 2919, 2920, 2922, 2924, 2927, 2975, 2985, 2987, 2989, have been examined and found to comply with the requirements of Charter and Ordinances.

Very truly yours,  
WILLIAM E. TARSNEY,  
Assistant Corporation Counsel.

By Ald. Schultz:  
Resolved, That assessment rolls Nos. 8217, 8222, 8229, 8230, 8232, 8234, 8237, 8285, 8295, 8297, 8299, for the construction of lateral sewers Nos. 2907, 2912, 2919, 2920, 2922, 2924, 2927, 2975, 2986, 2987, 2989, transmitted by the Department of Public Works in accordance with the ordinances in such case made and provided, be and the same are hereby approved and confirmed.

Adopted as follows:  
Yeas—Ald. Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Glinnan, Guthard, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter, Nowc, Riopelle, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, Zink, and the President—35.  
Nays—None.

#### From the Department of Public Works.

To the Honorable the Common Council:  
Lateral sewers Nos. 2834, 2989, assessment rolls Nos. 8144, 8299, heretofore approved and confirmed by your Honorable Body, have been completed according to plans and specifications and accepted for the city.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEO. H. FENKELL,  
Commissioner.

By Ald. Schultz:  
Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby directed to draw a voucher on the Public Sewer Fund in payment of the cost of the city arms, if any, on lateral sewers Nos. 2834 and 2989, and be it further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and is hereby directed to prepare special assessment lateral sewer bonds for parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 of assessment rolls Nos. 8133 and 8299, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 42 and 43 of Chapter 11 of the Charter of the City of Detroit, as amended by an act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, approved June 6th, 1901. Said bonds to bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

Adopted as follows:  
Yeas—Ald. Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Glinnan, Guthard, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter, Nowc, Riopelle, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, Zink, and the President—35.  
Nays—None.

#### 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 opening Ellery Street from Canfield Avenue to Forest Avenue, where not already open, 60 feet wide, as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict

in favor of said opening Sept. 7th, 1917, which was confirmed by the Court Sept. 14th, 1917.

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 Department of Buildings.

To the Honorable the Common Council:  
Gentlemen—In accordance with your resolution of September 11th, presented by Alderman Guthard, concerning the strength of the floor in the Public Record Room of the City Hall, we have investigated the loads thereon and the construction of the floor.

This matter was called to our attention in February, 1916, by the Department of Public Works, and we answered at that time that we were unable to obtain any information as to the construction of the floor but from such observation as we could make the floor did not appear to be overloaded. Since receiving your resolution we have obtained some additional information through the courtesy of the firm of Donaldson & Meier, architects, who remodeled the building some years ago.

While our information is even now not entirely complete, it appears that some parts of this floor are loaded considerably more severely than good engineering practice would allow. The center portion of the floor is apparently all right, but the eastern and western portions of the room are hardly suitable for storage purposes, and at least one-half of the load should be removed.

We would recommend that floor load placards be placed in this room limiting the floor load to 40 pounds of uniformly distributed live load, and that all loads in excess of this should be removed at once.

Yours very respectfully,  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,  
FRANK BURTON,  
Concrete Engineer.

By Ald. Guthard:  
Whereas, The Department of Buildings has submitted a communication to this Common Council containing information as to the safety of the fourth floor of the City Hall, following a thorough investigation of the conditions that are reported to obtain there, and

Whereas, An investigation conducted by the Concrete Engineer of the Department of Buildings discloses the fact that it is evident that some portions of said upper floor are overloaded; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works and the Controller be and are hereby instructed to immediately proceed with the removal of the overload to avoid serious accident and perhaps loss of life.

Adopted as follows:  
Yeas—Ald. Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Glinnan, Guthard, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter, Nowc, Riopelle, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, Zink, and the President—35.  
Nays—None.

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