

From the Department of Purchases and Supplies.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In response to our advertisement for proposals for furnishing the Board of Water Commissioners with one car of gasoline, in accordance with Detroit specifications, bids were received from the following named and opened February 12, 1923:

White Star Refining Company, .1719c per gallon.

Johnson Oil Company, .1770c per gallon.

Standard Oil Company, .1665c per gallon.

The lowest bid was submitted by the Standard Oil Company and the acceptance of same is recommended.

The approval of your Honorable Body is requested.

Respectfully,
GEORGE J. FINN,
Commissioner.

From the Department of Purchases and Supplies.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—This Department is in receipt of Requisition A-41804, from the Department of Street Railways, calling for 1,800 Yards Hunter Sign Cloth, of various widths.

This cloth is to be used on the signs on the street cars, and can be purchased only from the Hunter Illuminated Sign Company, who agree to furnish same at a price of 98c per yard; or a total sum of \$1,764.00, F.O.B. Detroit.

Your Honorable Body is requested to authorize this Department to purchase the Street Railway Department's requirements as above mentioned.

Respectfully,
GEORGE J. FINN,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Bradley:

Resolved, That the Department of Purchases and Supplies be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts with the following named firms, for furnishing the departments designated with the material or equipment specified:

Worthington Pump & Machine Corp.—Board of Water Commissioners, 6 4-in. compound type meters, \$225 each.

Gamon Meter Company—Board of Water Commissioners, six 4-in. compound type meters, \$225 each.

Standard Oil Company.—Board of Water Commissioners, one car gasoline, 1665c. per gal; and further

Resolved, That the Department of Purchases and Supplies be and is hereby authorized and directed to

purchase for the Department of Street Railways, on Reqn. A-41804, 1,800 yards Hunter sign cloth in various widths, from Hunter Illuminated Sign Co., at 98c. per yd., total \$1,764.00, f.o.b. Detroit.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Ewald, Kronk, Littlefield, Vernor, Watson, and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

From 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 Prairie avenue, across the Pere Marquette R. R. right-of-way, where not already opened as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Tuesday, January 30th, 1923, which was confirmed by the Court Friday, February 9th, 1923.

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

Respectfully,
CHAS. W. CASGRAIN,
Clerk.

Accepted and placed on file.

From 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 Griggs avenue, across the Pere Marquette R. R. right-of-way, where not already opened as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Thursday, February 1st, 1923, which was confirmed by the Court Friday, February 9th, 1923.

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

Respectfully,
CHAS. W. CASGRAIN,
Clerk.

Accepted and placed on file.

From 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 Thomas avenue from Linwood avenue to Nardin avenue, where not already open, as a public street and

highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Friday, January 26th, 1923, which was confirmed by the Court Friday, February 9th, 1923.

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

Respectfully,

CHAS. W. CASGRAIN,
Clerk.

Accepted and placed on file.

From the Department of Recreation.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Dear Honorable Sirs—As there was a balance in Account 5-N, of the Recreation Fund, at the end of the fiscal year, June 30th, 1922, and as this account was carried forward, there was no additional appropriation made for Account 5-N in the 1922 and 1923 budget.

It now appears that this balance is not sufficient for the balance of the fiscal year, and whereas there will be a surplus in Account 5-O, the Department of Recreation respectfully requests that your Honorable Body direct and authorize the City Controller to transfer the sum of \$150 from Account 5-O, Band Concerts, to Account 5-N in the Recreation Fund.

Trusting that your Honorable Body will give this matter your favorable consideration, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. E. BREWER,
Commissioner of Recreation.

By Councilman Bradley:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer from Account 5-O to Account 5-N the sum of \$150, Recreation Fund.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Cas-tator, Ewald, Kronk, Littlefield, Vernor, Watson, and the President
Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

From the City Plan Commission.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Acting upon the resolution of your Honorable Body directing the City Plan Commission to study the advisability of acquiring through condemnation proceedings all of the private property lying between the west line of Law-ton avenue, and the north line of Wreford and the existing limits of Ferry Field for playfield purposes, this Commission has considered the matter, and offers the following recommendation:

We are of the opinion that the

property described above should not be acquired under the Park and Recreation Bond Issue. What remains in that fund should be spent in purchasing vacant property in this vicinity, or where there are no playgrounds or playfields at the present time.

The assessed valuation of the property is over \$400,000, and the City Plan Commission believes greater good would be derived from the expenditure of funds for playfields in other sections of the city.

The City Plan and Improvement Commission, when it originally recommended the acquisition of Ferry Field in 1910, was of the opinion that it would be large enough to take care of the future needs of that section of the city, however, the Board of Education has been given about a third of the property originally acquired, which is the best portion of the property, and we would, therefore, suggest, if the Department of Recreation needs more space in this territory, that the Board be asked to acquire the property fronting on Wreford avenue, being lots 13 to 30, inclusive, and that same be made a part of Northwestern Playfield. Due to the fact that the remainder of the property is well built up, we do not recommend that it be acquired at this time.

All of the above is outlined in yellow on attached blueprint, Plan No. 109-27.

Respectfully submitted,

T. GLENN PHILLIPS,
Consultant-Secretary.

General order for Monday.

From the Department of Motor Transportation.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Motor Transportation Fund 501 has a balance of approximately \$3,000. After consultation with Mr. Markham, the construction engineer for the municipal garage, he informs me we will need an additional \$8,000 to complete the garage. A spur track has to be built, the balance of the roadway east of the garage has to be paved, and various odds and ends still remain to be finished.

This department would like to request your Honorable Body to direct the Controller to transfer the rental of \$12,500 received from the D. A. D. A., into Account 501—Motor Transportation Fund.

Respectfully yours,

W. HELMBOLDT,
Superintendent.

By Councilman Watson:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of