

made to reflect the liability at December 31, 1947, to the Department of Public Works for certain paving work over track areas on abandoned rail lines. These charges were made against the reserve for abandonment and did not affect the net income for the period. There is an additional liability for other paving work of this nature the amount of which is not known at this time. Other adjustments were made to the asset and liability accounts which did not affect net income, the principal items being plant additions and track abandonments prior to December 31, 1947.

Cash and securities in the amount of \$4,614,744.94 at December 31, 1947, which have been accumulated for the payment of pensions to employees of the Department, are administered by the Board of Trustees of the City of Detroit Retirement System and are not included in the accompanying balance sheet, and no provision has been made therein for the unfunded portion of the Department's liability for the pension and disability benefits. The estimated present value of such unfunded liability at December 31, 1947, based on an actuarial study as at June 30, 1947, was \$26,472,633.00. Contributions to the pension fund for the six months ended December 31, 1947, which have been included in operating expenses, amounted to \$843,463.04, which amount was equal to the computed requirement to amortize current and past service liabilities.

Respectfully submitted,  
BENJAMIN J. TOBIN,  
Auditor General.

Received and placed on file.

City Plan Commission

January 22, 1948

To the Honorable; the Common Council:

Gentlemen—This Commission has been informed by the City Engineer's office that a request has been filed by the Unity Construction Company for the grading, drainage and stoning of Trinity Avenue between Tireman and West Chicago Avenues, and that they have been unable to comply with the request because official action by the Common Council has not been taken to set aside the necessary land from the River Rouge Park which abuts on the west so as to make this street full width.

A study of this matter has disclosed that the original design plan for River Rouge Park indicated a street 86 feet wide along the easterly boundary of the Park between Tireman and West Chicago Avenues, and further that a fence had been constructed along said street line several years ago, and further that this fence

had been removed during the war-time period to satisfy more urgent requirements.

This office has conferred with the Department of Parks and Recreation and all other interested departments and as a result is of the opinion that a width of 86 feet should be provided for Trinity Avenue between Tireman and West Chicago Avenues, and further that Tireman Avenue between Trinity and Pierson Avenues should also be widened from its existing 43-foot width to a width of 86 feet, and also that West Chicago Avenue should be widened from its existing 43-foot width to a width of 86 feet between Trinity and Burt Road.

The City Plan Commission, therefore, recommends that appropriate action be taken by your Honorable Body to accomplish the aforesaid widenings as indicated on the attached plans.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEO. F. EMERY,  
Planning Director-Secretary.

By Councilman Garlick:

Resolved, That "All that part of the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: The east 56 feet of that part of said N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, lying west of and adjoining the west line of Rouge Park Subdivision of part of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., and of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., Dearborn Twp., Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 52 of plats, page 41, Wayne County Records, said east 56 feet above described lying west of the present west line of Trinity Avenue 30 feet wide as platted in last mentioned subdivision, between the east and west  $\frac{1}{4}$  line of said Sec. 3 and the south line of Joy Road, 66 feet wide as now established"; for the widening of Trinity Ave.,

Also, "the north 43 feet of all that part of the S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, lying east of a line, said line being 56 feet west of and parallel to the west line, extended southerly, of Rouge Park Subdivision of part of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., and of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., Dearborn Twp., Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 52 of plats, page 41, Wayne County Records, and west of a line, said line being the west line of Frischkorn's Parkdale Subdivision of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  and part of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the S. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., Dearborn Twp., Wayne County, Michigan, as

recorded in Liber 45 of plats, page 36, Wayne County Records," for the widening of Tireman Ave.,

Also, "all that part of the S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 34, T. 1 S., R. 10 E., City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: The east 36 feet of that part of said S. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 34 lying west of and adjoining the west line of Rouge Park Boulevard Subdivision of part of the S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 34, T. 1 S., R. 10 E., Redford Twp., Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 53 of plats, page 21, Wayne County Records, said east 36 feet above described lying west of the present west line of Trinity Avenue, 50 feet wide as platted in last mentioned subdivision, between the north line of Joy Road, 66 feet wide as now established and the east and west quarter line of said Sec. 34", for the widening of Trinity Ave.,

Also, "all that part of the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 34, T. 1 S., R. 10 E., City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: The south 43 feet of all that part of said N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 34 lying west of the north and south quarter line of Sec. 34 and east of a line, said line being 36 feet west of the west line, extended northerly, of Trinity Avenue, 50 feet wide as platted in Rouge Park Boulevard Subdivision of part of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E. and of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 10 E., Dearborn Twp., Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 52 of plats, page 41, Wayne County Records," for the widening of West Chicago Ave., be and the same are hereby designated and assigned for street purposes, as indicated.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Edgecomb, Garlick, Kronk, Miriani, Nowicki, Oakman, Smith, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

#### City Plan Commission

February 18, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Pursuant to the instructions of your Honorable Body, the City Plan Commission has given further consideration to Site No. 8 which was recommended for consideration by your Special Committee appointed to make a study of property which might be rezoned so as to make available sites upon which low density multiple dwellings might be erected.

This site is located in the area lying south of Eight Mile Road, north of Pembroke Avenue and easterly of Asbury Park, and westerly of the alley first westerly of Prevost Avenue.

This site contains approximately 70 acres and is entirely vacant with the exception of one farm building located thereon.

In connection with the consideration which was given this matter, a hearing was held and the owners of the property, although notified, failed to appear. Subsequent to the hearing, further efforts were made to contact the owners and after considerable difficulty, it was determined that one of the owners involved had no interest whatsoever in having his property zoned so as to permit the construction of multiple dwellings thereon. The other owner informed representatives of this department that he had no particular interest in having the property changed to a multiple dwelling classification and further that he had no plans for the development of the property.

After careful consideration of all the factors involved, it is the opinion of this Commission that no good purpose would be served in recommending a change in zoning on the property within the limits of this proposed site because of the attitude of the owners thereof. In view of these circumstances, it is respectfully recommended that further consideration of this site for multiple dwelling housing purposes be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEORGE F. EMERY,  
Planning Director-Secretary.

City Plan Commission

February 19, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Pursuant to the instructions of your Honorable Body, the City Plan Commission has made a careful study of Site No. 20, which was recommended for consideration by your Special Committee appointed to make a study of property which might be rezoned so as to make available sites upon which low density multiple dwellings could be erected. This site lies in the area bounded by Moross Road, Kingsville, Alstead and Tyrone Avenues, and contains approximately 12 acres.

In connection with the consideration given this matter, a hearing was held which was attended by some of the owners of the property involved. It was disclosed during the course of the hearing that approximately one-third of the property had been recently acquired by the Ebenezer Baptist Church and that that organization proposes to use the property as a site for a church, and that the balance thereof would be used for recreational purposes. The church property referred to lies in the approximate center of the proposed site and