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**Detroit Housing Commission**

April 19, 1948.

Re: Edward J. Jeffries Homes (Mich. 1-7, 9) Widening of Stimson Avenue.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—The Housing Commission, at their meeting of April 8th, recommended the setting aside of a 26-foot strip of land on the Jeffries Housing Site on the south side of Stimson between Hamilton and Fourth in order that Stimson Avenue may be increased in width.

This action was taken at the request of the Dept. of Public Works, who informed us that the widening of Stim-

son was necessary to accommodate the Stimson Avenue Bridge.

We have known of the Dept. of Public Works' wishes for some time and accordingly, the architects of the Project were instructed to make the minor revisions to the contract drawings affected by the change.

Attached hereto is a Resolution pertaining to the dedication of the 26-foot strip of land which has been approved by the Corporation Counsel's Office. The proposed dedication was approved by the Public Housing Administration in their letter of March 18, 1948.

Approval of your Honorable Body is requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
**JAMES H. INGLIS,**  
Director-Secretary.

**Resolution Dedicating for Street Purposes a portion of Edward J. Jeffries Housing Project on S. S. of Stimson Ave. bet. Hamilton and Fourth**

By Councilman Kronk:

Resolved, that the north 26 feet of lots 41 to 48, both inclusive, of E. Connors' Subdivision of part of the Forsyth Farm, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, page 51, Wayne County Records:

Also, the east 47 feet on the north line, being the east 49.28 feet on the south line of lot 40 of last mentioned subdivision;

Also, the north 1.39 feet of the east 49.28 feet on the north line, being the east 49.42 feet on the south line of lot 39 of last mentioned subdivision, are hereby dedicated to be used for street purposes for the widening of Stimson Avenue.

Approved:

PAUL T. DWYER,  
Acting Corporation Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Garellick, Kronk, Miriani, Oakman, Smith, and the President—7.

Nays—None.

**Parks and Recreation**

April 14, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Mr. Alex Groesbeck has applied for a building permit (No. 106) to erect an athletic field house on the Farwell Foundation property on East Outer Drive at Justine, to cost approximately \$35,000.00.

Under the Common Council resolution freezing building permits all permits over \$1,500.00 must be reviewed by Common Council, a procedure which normally requires from one to two weeks. In consideration of the public service which the Foundation is rendering, and in view of Mr. Groesbeck's request for prompt action, the Department of Parks and Recreation recommends that the usual procedure be waived and that the Committee-of-the-Whole direct the Department of Buildings and Safety Engineering to issue the permit immediately.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. CONSIDINE,  
General Superintendent.

By Councilman Comstock:

Resolved, That the Dept. of Buildings and Safety Engineering be and it is hereby authorized and directed to issue a permit to the Farwell Foundation to erect a one-story masonry building, 40 ft. by 60 ft. by 14 ft. high, in the proposed recreation area bounded by Outer Drive, Mound Road, Eight Mile Road and Sunset Ave., to be used as an athletic field house.

Provided, Said building is constructed in accordance with plans submitted to and approved by the Dept. of Buildings and Safety Engineering.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Garellick, Kronk, Miriani, Oakman, Smith, and the President—7.

Nays—None.

**Department of Public Works**

April 8, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—During the construction of the Fox Creek Sewers, it was deemed advisable to move the location of the junction chamber at Manistique and Kercheval to the south side of Kercheval from the middle of the street. This was done so that all traffic could be diverted north of the chamber rather than having the traffic go on each side of the chamber. This change in location was decided upon after a similar change was made at another location on Kercheval Avenue in Grosse Pointe Park when threatened by court action of businessmen in the neighboring community.

Changing the location of the shaft reduced the length of sewer being constructed under Contract PW-193 by approximately 13 feet for which the City received a credit of \$4,270. However, the length of sewer being built under Contract PW-194 was increased by approximately 9.3 feet. This increased length was beyond a curve in the tunnel and could not be constructed by the usual method employed in the other parts. This additional construction requires considerably more hand labor with the normal production decreased accordingly.

The Contractor, the Michigan Sewer Construction Company, could not give a firm price for this additional work, but have agreed to do the work on a cost-plus limited basis not to exceed \$4,900. Thus the maximum difference in cost to the entire Fox Creek project between the credit received on Contract PW-193 and the increase on Contract PW-194 would be \$630. This has been checked by the City Engineer who feels that such an arrangement is fair and equitable to all parties.

It is therefore respectfully requested that authorization be granted by your Honorable Body to increase the cost of Contract PW-194 a maximum amount of \$4,900 in accordance with the foregoing arrangement.

Respectfully submitted,  
THOMAS C. HANSON,  
Commissioner.

Approved:  
J. N. DALEY,  
Controller.