

your Honorable Body direct the Department of Public Works to dismantle and remove the structure and assess the cost of same against property known as 4000-04 Fourth, Lot 12, Block 5, Boswor and Scott Subdivision of Crane Farm, L 60, P 58.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH P. WOLFF,
 Commissioner.
 Per **S. A. MAHER,**
 Deputy Commissioner.

By Councilman Rogell:

Resolved, That the Dept. of Public Works be and is hereby authorized and directed to dismantle and remove the following dilapidated and dangerous structures and assess the cost against properties as shown:

Two-story frame dwelling and one-story frame garage at 3616-18 Fourth Street, "North 28 feet of Lot 10, Block 1, Jones Farm Sub., PC 247, L.60, P.58".

Two-story brick and frame building at 4000-04 Fourth Street, "Lot 12, Block 5, Boswor and Scott Sub. of Crane Farm, L.60, P.58".

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Wise, Youngblood, and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—7.
 Nays—None.

City Election Commission

December 4, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—As Section 2, Act 260 of the Public Acts of 1929, as amended, requires the filling of a Common Pleas Court vacancy at the next biennial spring primary and election, I have prepared a resolution calling for such special primary and election in order that persons desiring to become candidates to this Office may be advised of these dates and also of the last day for filing nomination petitions.

Your approval of this resolution will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS D. LEADBETTER,
 City Clerk and Chairman.

Approved by:

PAUL T. DWYER, Corp. Counsel.

By Councilman Connor:

Whereas, The unfortunate and untimely death of the Honorable Ned H. Smith has resulted in a vacancy in the Common Pleas Court; and

Whereas, Section 2, Act 260 of the Public Acts of 1929, as amended, requires that such vacancy be filled at the next biennial spring election; therefore be it

Resolved, That a special election to fill this vacancy be held in the City of Detroit on the first day of April, 1957, and that a special primary for the nomination of candidates for said office be held in said city on the 18th day of February, 1957, concurrently with the regular biennial spring primary and election scheduled for the

above dates; and that four o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, December 31, 1956, be designated as the last day and hour for the filing of nominating petitions by persons desiring to become candidates for said Common Pleas Court vacancy for the term ending December 31, 1961; and further

Resolved, That the polls for both such special election and primary election shall be open from seven o'clock in the forenoon to eight o'clock in the evening, and that the city clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give regular notice of the dates and places of holding such special election and primary election; and be it further

Resolved, That the polling places throughout the city generally used for regular elections and primary elections be and the same are hereby designated as the places for voting at the special election and primary election and that said special election and primary election be conducted, the votes canvassed, and returns made in the same manner as at regular elections and primary elections.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Wise, Youngblood, and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—7.
 Nays—None.

City Plan Commission

November 15, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The Department of Parks and Recreation has requested that the City Plan Commission investigate the possibility of changing the street and alley pattern east of Molena and south of Castle Avenue.

In order to facilitate the development of the recreation site, the Department of Parks and Recreation has offered the land to make the necessary changes in the street and alley pattern. A 40 x 60 ft. turn-around is to be provided at the dead-end of Molena Avenue. An 18 ft. strip of land to provide an alley outlet at the west end of the site. Also, a strip of land to widen the alleys at the north side of the recreation site. The Department of Streets and Traffic and all other interested City Departments have been contacted and there are no objections to the request.

After careful consideration of all the factors involved, it is the recommendation of the City Plan Commission that your Honorable Body allocate the necessary land to make the street and alley changes as shown on the attached plan No. A-915.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES A. BLESSING,
 Director-Secretary.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the following described properties in the recreation site east of Molena Ave., south of

Castle Ave., be and the same are hereby allocated for street and alley purposes, in accordance with City Plan Commission plan No. A-915:

For Alley Purposes: The west 9 ft. of all that part of lots 3 of Engel's Subdivision of a portion of Fractional Section 15, T. 1 S., R. 12 E., as recorded in Liber 11, Page 73 of plats, Wayne County Records, between the west line of said lot 3 and the west line extended, of Castle Ave., 50 ft. wide; also the west 21 ft. of all that part of lots 3 and 4 of said Engel's Subn., lying between the west line, extended southerly, of Castle Ave., 50 ft. wide, and the west line, extended northerly of lot 197 of Bolton Subdivision as recorded in Liber 37, Page 36 of plats, Wayne County Records; also, the west 18 ft. of all that part of lot 3 of said Engel's Subn. lying east of and adjoining the east line of Breitmeyer Bros. Subn., as recorded in Liber 62, Page 51 of plats, Wayne County Records, between the south line of the 18 ft. alley first south of Molena Ave. and the south line of Molena Ave., 60 ft. wide;

For Street Purposes: The west 40 ft. of all that part of lot 3 of said Engel's Subn. lying between the north and south lines of Molena Ave., 60 ft. wide, as platted in Breitmeyer Bros. Subn. as recorded in Liber 62, Page 51 of plats, Wayne County Records.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Wise, Youngblood, and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—7.
Nays—None.

City Plan Commission

November 20, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—This office has before it several matters relating to the assignment of space in the old City Hall. These matters are as follows:

1. The provision of space in the basement to house the recruiting activities of the four branches of the Armed Services.

2. The housing of the Farwell Art Collection.

3. The housing of the Natural Science Museum Collection.

4. The proposal for establishing a non-sectarian meditation chapel.

These four matters will be discussed in order.

1. Military Recruiting

The Air Force initiated this request because their activities had outgrown the booth on Campus Martius which they share with the Army and Navy.

The City Plan Commission has for some time felt that it would be desirable to improve Campus Martius by the elimination of both the glass booth used by the Army, Navy and Air Force and the old brick information booth now used by the Marine

Corps for recruiting. The clearing of Campus Martius of these structures would permit its attractive landscaping which would be in line with the city's desire to improve and beautify the Central Business District.

The Armed Services, on the other hand, are anxious to continue recruiting activities in the Campus Martius area which is, in a sense, the crossroads of the city. They feel strongly that they could not adequately perform their function if they were forced to withdraw to the Federal Building.

All four branches of the Armed Services have indicated their willingness to accept space in the northerly end of the basement of the City Hall. This space is now occupied for Civil Service recruiting which has in turn indicated a willingness to accept space in the southeast corner of the basement.

In view of the above, it is recommended that (a) military recruiting for the four branches be permitted to use space in the north end of the basement, (b) the Civil Service recruiting be moved to the south end of the basement, (c) that the two structures on Campus Martius be vacated and removed, and (d) that the Department of Parks and Recreation and this office be directed to develop an improvement plan for the triangular island in Campus Martius.

2. Farwell Art Collection

The Farwell Art Collection is a city-owned collection of paintings of historical interest under the jurisdiction of the Detroit and Michigan Artists Memorial, Inc. The collection includes paintings either by Detroit or Michigan artists or of Detroit or Michigan subjects.

The City Plan Commission has felt that it would be appropriate for the old City Hall to be used for activities of general educational and ceremonial nature as well as for certain office activities. The housing of the Farwell Art Collection would be consistent with this view.

It is therefore recommended that the southerly half of the second floor, which is now vacant, be assigned to the Detroit and Michigan Artists Memorial, Inc.

Certain minor refurbishing of the space should be done such as repainting throughout and repairing the floor. These items can be done under the present maintenance budget for the building. It would be desirable to have a doorway installed across the corridor at the northerly end of the space so that the area could be controlled, and it would also be desirable to install an asphalt tile floor throughout the space. These items would require an additional appropriation of approximately \$3,000.

3. Natural Science Museum Collection

If your Honorable Body approves the recommendation in item (2) above, it would then be possible for