

**Department of Public Works**  
September 16, 1958.

**Honorable Common Council:**

Gentlemen — The Department of Public Works recommends the cancellation of the attached list of departmental bills issued against commercial establishments—per Ordinance 163-F governing garbage and rubbish collections, and the reasons for such cancellations are as follows:

Out of Business—Number of Billings 76. Amount to be Cancelled \$748.35.

Billed in Error—Number of Billings 41. Amount to be Cancelled \$4,415.55.

Unable to Collect—Number of Billings 3. Amount to be Cancelled \$10.50.

Total Billings 120. Total Amount to be Cancelled \$5,174.40.

All accounts have been reviewed by the Sanitation Division and the City Treasurer has made every effort to collect wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

**By Councilman Smith:**

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works and the City Treasurer be and they are hereby directed and authorized to cancel Departmental bills issued against commercial establishments per Ordinance 163-F in accordance with the foregoing communications and list on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Carey, Connor, Lincoln, Patrick, Rogell, Smith, Wise and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—8.

Nays—None.

**Department of Public Works**  
September 18, 1958.

**Honorable Common Council:**

Gentlemen—The Department at this time of the year finds it practically impossible to gather all the leaves which are falling from trees and such leaves are causing blocking of sewers and other hazardous conditions involving the public peace, health and safety.

For the past several years, your Honorable Body has approved a resolution allowing people to burn leaves without securing a permit. It is felt that this policy should again be adopted for this year.

If your Honorable Body is in agreement with our recommendation, may we ask that you approve the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

**By Councilman Wise:**

Whereas, the Department of Public Works is unable to gather the leaves which are falling from trees upon the properties, streets, alleys and public thoroughfares, and

Whereas, such leaves are causing

blocking of sewers and other hazardous conditions involving the public peace, health and safety, and

Whereas, it is deemed necessary, essential and expedient that such hazardous conditions may be removed as far as possible, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Buildings and Safety Engineering, who has heretofore been authorized to issue permits for burning of leaves in order to alleviate said conditions, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to waive all requirements of an application for permit, and to authorize the burning of leaves by general permit, and without specific permit until November 15, 1958, provided the householder supervises such burning and uses all precautionary measures as outlined by the ordinances of the City, the same as though a specific permit had been issued.

In order to reduce the smog and haze from leaves burning, householders are requested to burn leaves only between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., after they are dry, and to ignite the leaves from the top of the pile. Atmospheric conditions during these hours generally permit better dissipation of any smoke.

Councilman Smith moved the time be changed to 1:00 p.m. which motion did not prevail as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Carey, Smith—2.

Nays—Councilmen Connor, Lincoln, Patrick, Rogell, Wise and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—6.

The resolution was then adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Carey, Connor, Patrick, Rogell, Smith, Wise and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—7.

Nays—Councilman Lincoln—1.

**Department of Public Works**  
September 15, 1958.

**Honorable Common Council:**

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of Wayne State University No. 13777, requesting the vacation of Reed Place between Fourth Avenue and the John C. Lodge Expressway. The vacation of said Reed Place was approved by the City Plan Commission with the recommendation that the petitioner dedicates sufficient land to maintain a 15-foot setback for the service drive of the John C. Lodge Expressway. The petition was then referred to this office by your Committee of the Whole for investigation and report.

We wish to advise that our investigations are completed.

As per our directive the petitioner on September 11, 1958, deposited with the City Treasurer the sum of \$1,200.00, Receipt No. C-12233, credited to the Department of Water Supply Fund Code No. 600-0000 (6232) 001, said amount being the estimated cost

of abandoning two water mains located in Reed Place to be vacated west of Fourth Avenue.

The petitioner on September 11, 1958, paid into the City Treasury the sum of \$199.31, Receipt No. C-12234, credited to the Public Works Maintenance Fund Code No. 143-0000 (6241), said amount being the original cost of paving the west ½ of Fourth Avenue at the intersection of Reed Place to be vacated.

We are in receipt of a Quit Claim Deed to the property to be used for street purposes in accordance with the City Plan Commission's recommendation. Said deed was approved as to form and execution by Corporation Counsel and as to description by the City Engineer, and it is attached hereto for your Honorable Body's acceptance.

An easement is reserved in the vacating resolution for the Public Lighting Commission for the maintenance of its installations located in the street to be vacated.

The petitioner requested that the paved street returns at the entrances to Reed Place to be vacated, remain in their present status as the petitioner plans to utilize same, and has agreed, by letter filed with the original petition, to pay all costs incidental to the removal of the returns at such time in the future as the removal becomes necessary.

All other City departments and privately-owned utility companies reported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said street or that they have reached satisfactory agreements with the petitioner regarding their installations therein.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

By Councilman Wise:

Resolved, That all of Reed Place, 40 feet wide between the east line of the John C. Lodge Expressway service drive and the west line of Fourth Avenue, described as follows: lying south of and adjoining the south line of Lots 12, 13, and 14, and south of and adjoining the south line of the vacated alley lying east of said Lot 14 of W. P. Reed's Subdivision of the Southerly Part of Outlot 20 of Conners Subdivision of the Forsyth Farm as recorded in Liber 7, Page 45 of Plats, Wayne County Records, lying north of and adjoining the north line of Lots 12, 13, and 14, north of and adjoining the north line of the east 9 feet of Lot 11 and north of and adjoining the vacated alley east of said Lot 14 of G. W. Reed's Subdivision of Lot 19 of the Conners Subdivision of the Forsyth Farm as recorded in Liber 7, Page 25 of Plats, Wayne County Records, and the north 40 feet of the south 268.18 feet of Outlot 32 of Cranes Subdivision of the Rear Con-

cession of P.C. 247 known as the Jones Farm as recorded in Liber 1, Page 117 of Plats, Wayne County Records, which was acquired by the City of Detroit in 1889, lying west of and adjoining the west line of Fourth Avenue and north of and adjoining the north line of McGovern's Subdivision of the South 228.18 feet of Outlot 32 of Cranes Subdivision of the Rear Concession of P.C. 247 known as the Jones Farm as recorded in Liber 12, Page 20 of Plats, Wayne County Records, be and the same is hereby vacated as a public street to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property subject to the following provisions:

1) An easement or right-of-way is hereby reserved in and over the vacated street heretofore mentioned for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, removing, or replacing the Public Lighting Commission's facilities located in said street;

2) No building or structure of any nature whatsoever shall be constructed over said easement unless prior approval therefor is obtained from the Public Lighting Commission; and further:

Resolved, That Quit Claim Deed of the Board of Governors of Wayne State University to the City of Detroit, deeding the following described land for street purposes, "All that part of Lot 18 and a portion of 15-foot vacated alley lying north of and adjoining the north line of said Lot 18 as platted in G. W. Reed's Subdivision of the Forsyth Farm as recorded in Liber 7, Page 25 of Plats, Wayne County Records, described as follows: Beginning at a point in the west line of said Lot 18, said point being distant N 22d 53m 20s W., 86.08 feet from the southwest corner of said Lot 18, thence along the west line of said Lot 18 and the west line of the 15-foot vacated alley adjoining Lot 18 N. 22d 53m 20s W., 28.92 feet to a point in the north line of said vacated alley; thence along the north line of said vacated alley N. 67d 02m 15s E., 4.99 feet to a point; thence along a line S. 13d 06m 04s E., 29.35 feet to the place of beginning," be and the same is hereby accepted and the City Controller be and he is hereby directed to record said deed in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Wayne County.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Carey, Connor, Lincoln, Patrick, Rogell, Smith, Wise and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp — 8.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works  
September 17, 1958.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of Mike Mitchell, Number 395, requesting the vacation of a portion of Conner Avenue right-of-way south of Eight Mile Road and west of Bramford Avenue. The peti-