

posed RFP seemed to be tailored for the Founders Society — although it was stated that other organizations and interest groups could apply.

And while the Founders Society has played an important and much needed role in helping to keep the DIA financially viable, questions regarding privatization, residency and the lack of legislative oversight influenced my decision.

If the operation of the nation's fifth largest art museum is to become more efficient and effective, an RFP process which is open and elicits a wide-range of possibilities is required.

**STATEMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBER
ALBERTA TINSLEY-WILLIAMS
REGARDING THE RESOLUTION/
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE
OPERATION OF THE DETROIT
INSTITUTE OF ARTS
MARCH 27, 1997**

I voted against the resolution authorizing the issuance of a Request for Proposal for the operation of the Detroit Institute of Arts for the following reasons:

1. While a vote for the Request for Proposal would not be an endorsement of the proposed operating agreement, the Request for Proposal so clearly mirrors the operating agreement that it would be difficult to vote for one and not accept the other.

2. There continue to be unresolved issues regarding the City employees at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

3. There is the very broad issue of privatization, which has implications for not only this institution, but other city institutions as well.

I support the Detroit Institute of Arts and am willing to work cooperatively to find ways to help it continue to grow and flourish. The work done by the Founders Society is to be commended and I hope that we can find ways of securing needed funds for the treasured Detroit Institute of Arts.

**Planning & Development Department
March 27, 1997**

Honorable City Council:

Re: Offer to Purchase and Develop Property (N) Lothrop, between Linwood and LaSalle.

The City of Detroit acquired as a tax reverted parcel from the State of Michigan, Lot 55, located on the North side of Lothrop, between Linwood and LaSalle, a/k/a 2442 Lothrop.

The property in question is single family residence, in need of rehabilitation and located in an area zoned R-2.

Eric M. Kirkwood, a single man, has made an Offer to Purchase and Develop on a cash basis, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Further, he would be required to reha-

bilitate the structure within 180 days from the date of the Offer to Purchase in order to conform to the City of Detroit Building Code to obtain a Certificate of Approval.

Further, if he fails to rehabilitate the structure within the time specified herein, the City of Detroit shall have the power to terminate the estate herein conveyed and the right to re-enter and repossess.

We request your Honorable Body's approval to accept this Offer to Purchase and Develop from Eric M. Kirkwood, a single man, in the amount of \$1,000.00 on a cash basis.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH J. VASSALLO
Deputy Director

By Council Member Everett:

Resolved, That the Planning and Development Department is hereby authorized to accept this Offer to Purchase and Develop property described on the tax rolls as:

Lot 55; LaSalle Gardens, being Subd'n. of Lots 13 to 32 (both inclusive) of the Subd'n. of 1/4 Sec. 54, 10,000 A.T., City of Detroit, Wayne Co., Mich. Rec'd L. 25, P. 100 Plats, W.C.R.

from Eric M. Kirkwood, a single man, for the sum of \$1,000.00 on a cash basis, plus a \$11.00 deed recording fee and be it further

Resolved, That the Planning and Development Department Director be authorized to issue a Quit Claim Deed for the described property upon receipt of payment in full.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Cleveland, Cockrel, Everett, Hill, Hood, Ravitz, Scott, Tinsley-Williams, and President Mahaffey — 9.

Nays — None.

**Department of Public Works
City Engineering Division
March 21, 1997**

Honorable City Council:

Re: Petition No. 2749, Henry Ford Hospital System (HFHS). Requesting City Council Acceptance of Deed. Purpose: Poe widening between West Grand Blvd. and Pallister.

Petition No. 2749 of "Henry Ford Hospital System (HFHS)" request the City Council acceptance of a deed to widen Poe Avenue, 60 and 80 feet wide, between West Grand Boulevard and Pallister Avenue. The HFHS deed expands part of the public street (right-of-way) to 100 feet wide.

The petition was referred to the City Engineering Division — DPW for investigation and report. This is our report: The Street Design Bureau reviewed and approved the design plans. The Survey Bureau reviewed the parcel legal description.

HFHS submitted a surety bond to the

Finance Director in the amount of \$532,263 to pay the cost and expense to build a roadway suitable for public travel.

The Law Department must conclude that HFHS possesses the appropriate rights, title, and interest in the property to convey land to the city. I am forwarding a warranty deed and other necessary documents to the Law Department for approval as to form and execution.

I am recommending adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
SUNDAY JAIYESIMI
 City Engineer

By Council Member Everett:

Whereas, Petition No. 2749 of "Henry Ford Hospital System (HFHS)" requests the City Council acceptance of a deed to widen Poe Avenue, 60 and 80 feet wide, between West Grand Boulevard and Pallister Avenue. The HFHS deed expands part of the public street (right-of-way) to 100 feet wide; and

Whereas, The City Engineering Division, Department of Public Works, Street Design Bureau reviewed and approved the design plans. The City Engineering Division, Department of Public Works, Survey Bureau reviewed the parcel legal description; and

Whereas, HFHS submitted a surety bond to the Finance Director in the amount of \$532,263 to pay the cost and expense to build a roadway suitable for safe and convenient public travel; and

Whereas, The City Engineering Division, Department of Public Works forwarded a warranty deed (containing a perpetual right of entry clause for HFHS landscape maintenance crews) and other necessary documents to the Law Department for approval as to form and execution; therefore be it

Resolved, The property described below is hereby dedicated for public street purposes (to widen Poe Avenue, between West Grand Boulevard and Pallister Avenue):

Land in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne, State of Michigan being more particularly described as follows: "Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 45 of Lothrop and Duffield Boulevard Park Subdivision of part of quarter Section 55, Ten Thousand Acre Tract, lying North of West Grand Boulevard, located in Town 1 North, Range 11 East, City of Detroit, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 28 of Plats, Page 1, Wayne County Records; thence South 26°33'30" East, 152.28 feet along the current Easterly right-of-way line of Poe Avenue to the point of beginning; thence South 33°39'47" East, 323.40 feet; thence South 26°33'30" East, 434.04 feet to the Northerly right-of-way of West Grand Boulevard; thence along said right-of-way

South 63°06'30" West, 40.00 feet to the current Easterly right-of-way of Poe Avenue; thence continuing along said right-of-way North 26°33'30" West, 755.19 feet to the point of beginning; being part of Lots 27 through 42, inclusive; also being the westerly 40.00 feet of the vacated east-west public alley (18 feet wide; in the block bounded by Poe and Bryon Avenues, West Grand Boulevard, and Bethune Avenue; said part of public alley having been previously vacated by City Council on February 25, 1987 — J.C.C. pages 433-35) of said Lothrop and Duffield Boulevard Park Subdivision."

Provided, That HFHS and/or their contractors shall make application to the City Engineering Division, Department of Public Works for permits to barricade, occupy or construct within Poe Avenue (as widened in this resolution) between West Grand Boulevard and Pallister Avenue; and further

Provided, That the landscape plans and plant materials of HFHS and/or their contractors within Poe Avenue (as widened in this resolution) between West Grand Boulevard and Pallister Avenue shall be reviewed and approved by the Recreation Department (in conjunction with the Department of Public Works permits; Detroit Code Section 57-2-18); and further

Provided, That the City Clerk shall send one certified copy of this resolution to the Law Department, and one certified copy of this resolution to the Finance Director; and further

Provided, That the City Clerk shall within 30 days record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds; and further

Resolved, That the Law Department is hereby authorized and directed to record the warranty deed received from the "Henry Ford Health System (HFHS)" with the Wayne County Register of Deeds. (Notes: The Law Department must conclude that HFHS possesses the appropriate rights, title, and interest in the property to convey land to the city. This resolution shall take effect upon City Council receipt of a favorable report from the Law Department.)

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Cleveland, Cockrel, Everett, Hill, Hood, Ravitz, Scott, Tinsley-Williams, and President Mahaffey — 9.

Nays — None.

**REPORTS OF
 THE COMMITTEE
 OF THE WHOLE
 THURSDAY, MARCH 27TH**

Chairperson Everett submitted the following Committee Report for the above date and recommended its adoption: