

Heineman, Keating, Kingsley, Koch, Korte, Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski, Owen, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Vernor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Wing, Zink and the President—31.

Nays—None.

### Taxes.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Taxes, to whom was referred the petitions of Kate McLennan, Robert B. Tannehill and T. C. Gorning, all for the adjustment of certain general and personal taxes, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration, and after investigation beg leave to state that we are unable to locate the first-named petitioner, after making several efforts; that we are opposed to granting any relief to the second petitioner for the reason that there is \$5,000 available cash which the petitioner, as guardian, can use just as well as asking the city to relieve her from the payment of taxes in order that those to whom said money belongs may be able to exist on the interest they derive therefrom, and as to the last-mentioned petition we desire to state that the matter deals entirely with state and county taxes, and is therefore out of our jurisdiction. We therefore recommend that the prayers of each of aforesaid petitioners be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN GRINDLEY,  
GEORGE H. ELLIS,  
HUGH R. BURNS,  
M. J. OSTROWSKI.

Accepted and adopted.

### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Taxes, to whom was referred the petitions of E. F. Jenks and Major E. Jones both for relief from payment of personal assessments, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration, and find the facts to be as follows, to-wit:

Re petition of E. F. Jenks, we find that on Nov. 1, 1902, Henry Stephens & Co., a Michigan corporation about to expire by limitation, and they, owning a farm in Lapeer County, deeded same to petitioner in trust, to be sold and the proceeds turned over to the proper representatives of said corporation; that the last portion of said farm was sold Oct. 30, 1903, and in a part payment for which petitioner received a trust mortgage for \$1,200; that this mortgage was resold by petitioner on Nov. 3, 1903, to C. D. Croley of Lapeer; that the sale of the mortgage last mentioned wound up all the affairs of the corporation of Henry Stephens & Co., the funds having been turned over to the proper representatives, and the company at once liquidated and out of existence; that the same was reported to the local Board of Assessors by the State Tax Commission, who, not being aware of the facts, placed same upon the assessment roll for the year 1904, but we now find that the assignment of said mortgage was not put upon record by C. D. Croley, for reasons best known to himself. Petitioner, having no interest in same at the time the rolls were

prepared or confirmed by the Council for said year, we recommend that the personal tax above referred to be canceled.

Re petition of Major E. Jones, we find that a personal assessment of \$1,000 was levied against petitioner upon an automobile for the year 1905; that we submitted the matter to the Board of Assessors, and by them are informed that said assessment is excessive, and should be reduced from \$1,000 to \$200, and which is acknowledged upon said petition. We therefore recommend that said assessment be reduced as recommended, and herewith offer the following resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN GRINDLEY,  
GEORGE H. ELLIS,  
HUGH R. BURNS,  
M. J. OSTROWSKI.

Accepted and on leave the following resolutions were offered:

By Ald. Grindley:

Resolved, That the Receiver of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the personal assessment of \$1,200 levied against E. F. Jenks for the year 1904, for reasons set forth in above report.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Brozo, Burns, Burton, Ellis, Fisher, Freiwald, Gadde, Gibbons, Goeschel, Grindley, Gutman, Heineman, Keating, Kingsley, Koch, Korte, Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski, Owen, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Vernor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Wing, Zink and the President—31.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Grindley:

Resolved, That the Receiver of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to receive from Major E. Jones the sum of \$2 94, being the taxes upon a valuation of \$200, in full settlement of the personal assessment levied against him for the year 1905 for reasons set forth in above report; provided same are paid within 15 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Brozo, Burns, Burton, Ellis, Fisher, Freiwald, Gadde, Gibbons, Goeschel, Grindley, Gutman, Heineman, Keating, Kingsley, Koch, Korte, Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski, Owen, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Vernor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Wing, Zink, and the President—31.

Nays—None.

Ald. Wing and Gibbons were excused.

### Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of Harry C. La Flamboy for vacation of Kirby avenue west of Vermont avenue, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration and find that petitioner is the owner of block 13 of the sub. of outlet 2 of the sub. of the Laferty farm, north of Grand River road, being on the north side of Kirby avenue between Vermont avenue and the M. C. R. R.; that prior to 1887 there existed in front of said petitioner's property on the south a street and highway then known as Haven street; that when Kirby avenue was opened

in 1887 from Cass to Grand River avenues, it took a strip of land 13.19 feet off of the southerly side of Haven street to make said street of a uniform width of 60 feet, thereby leaving a strip 36.07 feet of Haven street between what was then called Kirby avenue, and what is now petitioner's property; that the name of said Haven street was changed to Kirby avenue by ordinance approved Sept. 17, 1895, and is now and has been since said date considered a part of Kirby avenue, making said Kirby avenue 96.07 feet wide from the M. C. R. R. easterly to Twelfth street; that petitioner desires that portion what was formerly known as Haven street vacated in so far as same abuts on his property to use same in connection with erecting a factory building thereon; that your committee visited the premises, and after a thorough investigation can see no particular objection thereto inasmuch as same does not disturb the width of Kirby avenue as originally opened by the Recorder's Court; provided, petitioner files an agreement with the City Clerk wherein he agrees to waive all grade separation damages that may accrue to him by reason of the separation of grades at Kirby or Vermont avenues, and we therefore offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. W. BURTON,  
W. P. KINGSLEY,  
GEO. A. OWEN,  
OTTO C. GOESCHEL.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Burton:

Resolved, That the northerly 36.07 feet of Kirby avenue (formerly known as Havens street), lying between the westerly line of Vermont avenue and the Michigan Central right-of-way, be and the same is hereby vacated.

Provided, That Harry C. LaFlamboy, the owner of the adjoining property, pays into the City Treasury whatever expense may have been incurred by the City of Detroit in the matter of constructing sidewalks, crosswalks, etc., in front and alongside of said strip hereinbefore designated, within 20 days from the date of adoption hereof, said expense to be determined by the City Engineer and by him reported to the City Treasurer; and further

Provided, That said Harry C. LaFlamboy file an agreement with the City Clerk agreeing to waive all grade separation damages that might hereafter accrue to him by reason of the separation of grades at the intersection of Kirby avenue and the M. C. R. R. and Vermont avenue and M. C. R. R., which waiver is filed in consideration of the vacation of the property herein described, and further that said agreement be filed as herein stated within twenty (20) days from the date of the adoption and approval of this resolution; otherwise this resolution shall be of no force or effect.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Brozo, Burns, Burton, Ellis, Fisher, Freiwald, Gadde, Goeschel, Grindley, Gutman, Heine-  
man, Keating, Kingsley, Koch, Körte,  
Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski, Owen,

Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Vernor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Zink, and the President—29.

Nays—None.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of Gustav H. Taepke et al., for the vacation of plat, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration and find that petitioners are the owners of lots 1 to 16, both inclusive, in block 5, Sprague & Visger's sub. of Riverview sub. of the rear concession of P. C. 152, bounded on the north by Chapin street, on the south by Blair street and on the west by McClellan avenue; that petitioners desire said plat vacated for simplifying the description for assessing purposes and also for the purpose of paying taxes thereon, same as was done with block 4 of the same subdivision on Jan. 27th, 1903 (J. C. C., p. 48); that your committee can see no objection thereto and we therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. W. BURTON,  
W. P. KINGSLEY,  
GEO. A. OWEN,  
OTTO C. GOESCHEL.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Burton:

Resolved That the plat of lots one to sixteen, both inclusive, in block 5 of Sprague & Visger's sub. of Riverview sub. of the rear concession of P. C. 152, Detroit, Wayne County, Mich., be and the same is hereby vacated, and said parcel of land shall hereafter be known and described as block 5 of said subdivision.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Brozo, Burns, Burton, Ellis, Fisher, Freiwald, Gadde, Goeschel, Grindley, Gutman, Heine-  
man, Keating, Kingsley, Koch,  
Körte, Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski,  
Owen, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Ver-  
nor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Zink,  
and the President—29.

Nays—None.

#### Ordinances.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the ordinance presented by Ald. Allan defining locations of Hacks, Cabs, Express Wagons, etc., respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration and find that the express wagons now have a stand on the Griswold street between Jefferson avenue and Larned street, but because of the fact that there will be a double track on Griswold street between said points there will not be sufficient space left for a stand, and while we do not now recommend amending the ordinance decided upon by the Committee our reason for so doing is because we have not determined definitely our what stand to provide for hacks upon so far as the same relates to hacks and cabs standing around the City, and we therefore recommend that the expressmen be allowed to stand on the