

Koch, Korte, Moeller, Mohn, Ostrowski, Reinhardt, Tossy, Vernor, Watson, Weibel, Wieber, Wing, Zink, Zoeller, and the President—31.
Nays—None.

Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of Detroit Real Estate Investment Co., Ltd., et al., for modification of conditions imposed in the matter of vacations of Bancroft avenue, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration and beg leave to state that petitioners are the owners of most of the property abutting on said avenue between Woodward avenue and Hamilton Boulevard; that said Bancroft avenue is nothing more or less than an alley for the property facing on Clairmont and the Atkinson avenues, which lie to the south and north of said Bancroft avenue without any alleys intervening; that the distance from Bancroft to Clairmont avenue is only 116 feet and from Bancroft to Atkinson avenues but 115 feet, making the lots of too shallow a depth to erect houses front on all three thoroughfares; that the south side of Atkinson avenue is well built up with many costly homes and that the north side of Clairmont avenue is partially built up, but of homes of the same character; that they ask for the vacation of Bancroft avenue so as to improve the existing conditions as if said avenue is vacated, allowing 20 feet thereof for alley purposes, it will make the lots facing on Clairmont and Atkinson avenue of a reasonable depth. Bancroft avenue is 66 feet wide; reserving 20 feet thereof for alley purposes would mean the giving of 23 feet of property upon each side of said street to the abutting property owners. The city loses nothing by the vacation of the avenue and receives in return the taxes upon the property vacated. In our judgment we believe it to be to the best interests of the City to grant petitioners' request, and we therefore recommend that said street or avenue be vacated upon condition that petitioners pay into the City Treasury whatever expense may have been incurred by the City in the matter of constructing crosswalks, paving Woodward avenue, furnishing curbing, etc., as may be certified to by the City Engineer, and we therefore offer the following resolution:

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. W. BURTON,
W. P. KINGSLEY,
GEO. A. OWEN.

Accepted and leave being granted, the following resolution was offered:
By Ald. Burton:

Resolved, That the easterly 20 feet of Bancroft avenue; also all that part of the northerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue which lies between the easterly line of Second avenue, as now opened, and the westerly line of the alley west of Woodward avenue, extended southerly; also all that part of the southerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue which lies between the easterly and westerly lines of lot 3, extended, of Hubbard and Dingwall's sub. as per liber 10, page 84; also all that part of the southerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue, which lies between the easterly line of Second avenue, as now opened, and the easterly line of lot 5, extended, of the subdivision above mentioned; also all that part of

the northerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue which lies between the westerly line of Second avenue, as now opened, and the easterly line of Third avenue, as now opened; also all that part of the southerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue which lies between the westerly line of Second avenue, as now opened, and the easterly line of Third avenue, as now opened; also all that part of the northerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue, which lies between the westerly line of Third avenue, as now opened, and the easterly line of Hamilton Boulevard, as now opened north of said Bancroft avenue; also all that part of the southerly 23 feet of said Bancroft avenue which lies between the westerly line of Third avenue, as now opened, and the easterly line of Hamilton Boulevard, as now opened north of said Bancroft avenue, be and the same is hereby vacated and discontinued as a street, the intention being to vacate all of said street except a strip of 20 feet wide, through the center thereof, which is to be continued as a public alley.

Provided, That the owner or owners of Lot 49 deed to the city the portion of said lot which lies within the lines of Hamilton Boulevard, if extended southerly from said Bancroft avenue 100 feet wide, said portion being 17.80 feet front on Clairmont Place and 17.10 feet on the southerly line of said Bancroft avenue.

Provided, That the owners of the property abutting said Bancroft avenue on Woodward avenue, pay into the City Treasurer whatever expense may have been incurred by the city in the matter of paving Woodward avenue in front of said Bancroft avenue, amounting to \$467.48, being a frontage of 66 feet, said sum to be paid within 30 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution.

Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

Health.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—Your Committee on Health, to whom was referred the petitions of Mrs. Charles Werner, et al., protesting against the location of a slaughter house in rear of 302 Maple street, also of Martin Scholl, et al., for removal of buildings on south side of Baker street between Tenth and Twelfth streets, respectfully report that we have had both of said matters under consideration; have listened to the statements of petitioners; have personally visited both premises and desire to state that in so far as the first protest is concerned, the slaughter house complained of is in the course of erection at the premises above stated, being rebuilt after a recent fire; that although the existence of same previous to its destruction by fire may have been detrimental to the health of the neighborhood, no killing is now being done and what the condition may be after its completion is a matter of conjecture. However, in view of the past, we recommend that the Board of Health thoroughly examine the prem-