

By Ald. Robinson:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and requested to extend the time for payment of the special sewer assessment levied against Lot 222 and 223, Dover Park Sub. Roll 8264. Book 4, p. 87, for a period of thirty days from the date of the adoption of this resolution, without penalty or interest.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dods, Ellis, Glinnan, Hindle, Hunter, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Riopelle, Robinson, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, and the President—37.

Nays—None.

**Taxes.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee on Taxes was referred the petition of First and Old Detroit National Bank, et al. (1088), for refund of amount of taxes paid by them on bank stock owned by Henry A. Haigh, Caroline C. Haigh and Lillia J. Comstock. Your Committee finds that the First and Old Detroit National Bank paid the taxes for 1917 assessed on 22 shares of its stock owned by Lillia J. Comstock, the First State Bank (formerly the German-American Bank) on 200 shares of its stock owned by Lillia J. Comstock and Caroline C. Haigh and the Peninsular State Bank on 185 shares of its stock held by Henry A. Haigh and on 30 shares owned by Caroline C. Haigh. The above banks claim that said taxes were erroneously assessed against them for the year 1917, for the reason that the parties for whom the taxes were paid removed from the City of Detroit and took up their residence in Dearborn, Mich., and have paid taxes on said bank stocks to the Village of Dearborn. The matter has been referred to the Corporation Counsel, and your Committee by him are advised that after a careful consideration of the foregoing cases and an investigation of the facts, the assessments should not have been levied for the year 1917 by the City of Detroit and that the taxes paid on said stocks by the banks should be refunded to them. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. BLEIL,  
JAMES VERNOR,  
WM. J. BRENNAN,  
RICHARD O. STARKEY,  
O. A. RIOPELLE,  
OSCAR A. DODT,  
JOS. A. MIOTKE.

Accepted, and on leave, the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Bleil:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of the First and Old Detroit National Bank, for the sum of \$52.20, being the amount of personal taxes paid by them for the year 1917 on 22 shares of its capital stock owned by Mrs. Lillia J. Comstock, valuation \$3,780 (W. 2, f. 576), said taxes having been erroneously levied for the year 1917, and taxes on said stock paid by owner in the Village of Dearborn; upon presentation of the proper receipt showing said

taxes for said year to have been paid; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of First State Bank of Detroit (formerly German-American Bank), for the sum of \$458.46, paid by them for the year 1917 on 100 shares of its capital stock owned by Lillia J. Comstock and 100 shares owned by Caroline C. Haigh, valuation \$33,200, (W. 2, f. 602-3), said taxes having been erroneously levied for the year 1917 and taxes on said stock paid by owners in the Village of Dearborn; upon presentation of the proper receipt showing said taxes for said year to have been paid; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Peninsular State Bank of Detroit for the sum of \$593.78, being the amount of personal taxes paid by them for the year 1917 on 185 shares of its capital stock owned by Henry A. Haigh and on 30 shares of its stock held by Caroline C. Haigh, valuation \$43,000, (W. 2, f. 651), said taxes having been erroneously levied for the year 1917 and taxes on said stock paid by owners in the Village of Dearborn; upon presentation of the proper receipt showing said taxes for said year to have been paid.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dods, Ellis, Glinnan, Hindle, Hunter, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Riopelle, Robinson, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, and the President—37.

Nays—None.

**Street Openings.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee on Street Openings was referred the petition of Detroit Shipbuilding Co. (1386), for the vacation of that part of Dequindre street lying between Guoin and Atwater streets. Your committee finds that petitioner is employed by the United States Government in building ships and is practically doubling its capacity for such purpose by the erection of additional buildings and providing for storage and construction yards. Inasmuch as petitioner is the owner of all the property on both sides of Dequindre street between Guoin and Atwater and all of the property at the foot of Dequindre street, your committee recommends that the request be granted, and therefore offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. KOCHER,  
JAMES VERNOR,  
JAMES CRANSHAW,  
JOHN T. THOMPSON,  
GEO. H. ELLIS,  
WM. A. RICHERT,  
RICHARD O. STARKEY

Accepted, and on leave, the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Kocher:

Resolved, That "All that part of Dequindre street lying between the south line of Guoin street and the north line of Atwater street, adjoining lot 1 of re-subdivision of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, between Guoin and Atwater streets,



Witherell Farm, as recorded in liber 1. page 302 of Deeds of Wayne County Records, also adjoining lots 5 and 6. block 4 of a Town Plat of the Farm of Antoine Dequindre, as recorded in liber 10, page 715, of Deeds, Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby vacated;

Provided, The Detroit Shipbuilding Co. files with the City Clerk, within 30 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution, an agreement waiving all grade separation damages, said agreement to be in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Glinnan, Hindle, Hunter, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Riopelle, Robinson, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, and the President—37.

Nays—None.

#### Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—To your Committee on Street Openings was referred the petition of George Jerome (9716-1361), for the approval of plats of Garden Annex sub. and Colquitt Bros.' sub. Your committee has had the same under consideration, and said plats conforming to the general plan of the city, recommend that they be accepted and approved, and offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHAS. A. KOCHER,  
JAMES VERNOR,  
JAMES CRANSHAW,  
JOHN T. THOMPSON,  
GEO. H. ELLIS,  
WM. A. RICHERT,  
RICHARD O. STARKEY.

Accepted, and on leave, the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Kocher:

Resolved, That the plat of Colquitt Bros.' subdivision of part of P. C. 154, City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan; "also, plat of Garden Annex subdivision of part of quarter section 47, 10,000-acre tract, City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan," be and the same are hereby accepted and approved, and the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to sign and approve said plats.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Ashe, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Brennan, Burton, Cowan, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Glinnan, Hindle, Hunter, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Riopelle, Robinson, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, Wilson, and the President—37.

Nays—None.

#### Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—To your Committee on Street Openings was referred the petition of Fred S. Quackenbush, et al. (745), for the opening of Wildemere avenue extending from the alley north of Maidstone to Joy Road. Your committee have had the matter under consideration, have listened to arguments for and against said opening, and the majority of interested parties being opposed to the proposed improve-

ment, recommend that the above petition be denied.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHAS. A. KOCHER,  
JAMES VERNOR,  
JAMES CRANSHAW,  
JOHN T. THOMPSON,  
GEORGE H. ELLIS,  
WM. A. RICHERT,  
RICHARD O. STARKEY

Accepted and adopted.

#### Public Lighting and Claims and Accounts.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—

To your Joint Committees on Public Lighting and Claims and Accounts was referred the resolution presented by Ald. Ross at the session of January 15, (J. C. C. p. 39), relative to instructing the Public Lighting Commission and the Board of Education in regard to measures of economy for the conservation of fuel. Your committees have earnestly considered this matter, and find that the Public Lighting Commission has already cut some 900 lights on the down town streets and boulevards from their service, and are giving careful study to the situation with a view to further eliminating lights which may be deemed not wholly necessary to public safety. We have also investigated the situation in the city schools and find that same are in a position of comparative safety, with a few exceptions wherein daily deliveries of coal are relied upon, which must be closed if supplies are not regularly replenished. In view of the foregoing your committee recommend that the said departments be and they are hereby requested to do everything in their power to limit the use of coal, and further that the Board of Education be and is hereby requested to close the swimming pools and shower baths, together with recreation centers and all branches of activity not absolutely essential to the conduct of purely educational features.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. ALLAN,  
JOHN C. LODGE,  
JOHN C. BLEIL,  
ANTHONY NOWC,  
F. W. WENZEL,  
A. G. KUNZ,  
FRED W. ROBINSON,  
OSCAR A. DODT,  
J. S. HUNTER,  
GEO. W. ROSS,  
GEO. W. AUCH.

Accepted and adopted.

#### Parks and Boulevards.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee on Parks and Boulevards was referred a communication from the Department of Parks and Boulevards transmitting proposals for the construction of three convenience stations on the Grand Boulevard. Your committee find that all bids submitted for said construction exceed the amount of the appropriation for this purpose, and we therefore recommend that bids for same be rejected. It is the sense of your committee, however, that the question of public comfort stations is of extreme importance at this time, and we deem it of such urgency that we recommend that this matter be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and request their consideration upon the advisability of authorizing a transfer of funds in an amount sufficient to meet the additional sum required over and above the