

Parks and Boulevards.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the communication from the Department of Parks and Boulevards requesting consideration of the project outlined for improving the plot of ground at the intersection of Cass, Clifford, and Sibley streets. Your Committee find that pavement work on Cass avenue has proceeded too far to permit of the paving of said parcel without making over the completed part, and believing that nothing should be permitted which will interfere with the free view of drivers and pedestrians, we recommend that the Department be authorized to move the fountain in accordance with their suggestion, and to sod the ground pending the time when paving may be satisfactorily performed.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

Aviation Field.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration communication from the City Plan Commission recommending the purchase of the north-half of Section 36 (320) acres of Redford Township for an aviation field. Your Committee concurs in said recommendation, and further recommend that the Corporation Counsel be and he is hereby directed to prepare the proper resolutions for the condemnation of the property named for use as an Aviation Field, and to submit same for Common Council's approval.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

Recreation and Playgrounds.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration communication from the City Plan Commission recommending the Site No. 5, on the northeast corner of Conant Road and Charles avenue, being 75.44 acres, and including a small parcel of land 0.94 acres in size at the corner of Conant and Davison avenues, to be purchased as a playfield. Your Committee concur in the recommendation of the City Plan Commission, and further recommend that the Corporation Counsel be and he is hereby directed to prepare the proper resolution for playfield purposes, and to submit same to Common Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the communication from the City Plan Commission, recommending that Mack avenue be straightened and widened from west of the Detroit Terminal Railway to Gray avenue. Your Committee believing that Mack avenue should be improved so that the same may be made a continuous street, suitable for street car traffic, and believing such straightening and widening to be a public necessity, concur in the recommendation of the City Plan Commission, and further recommend that the Corporation Counsel be directed to prepare the proper resolution for the straightening and widening of Mack avenue between Detroit Terminal R. R. and Gray avenue, in accordance with the plans submitted by City Plan Commission dated Sept. 4, 1919, and approved by report of Committee of the Whole Sept. 9, 1919 (J. C. C. p. 1396).

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

Chairman Castator presented the following reports for the above date and recommended their adoption:

Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration the petition of the Detroit Creamery Company (2382) for the vacation of the public alley located in block bounded by Cass and Adams avenues, Clifford and Middle streets. Your Committee find that all the property in said block is owned by your petitioner, and seeing no objection thereto we recommend that same be granted in accordance with resolution hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolution was offered:
By Councilman Castator:

Resolved, That "All of the public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by Cass and Adams avenues, Clifford and Middle streets, as platted in Section 12 of Governor and Judges Plan," be and the same is hereby vacated;

Provided, Petitioner, Detroit Creamery Company pays into the city treasury, within 30 days from date of the adoption of this resolution, whatever expense may have been incurred by the city in the matter of paving, curbing, constructing crosswalks, sidewalks, etc., as may be certified by the City Engineer, otherwise this resolution to be null and void.

Adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

Memorial Park.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—Your Committee of the

Whole has had under consideration the communication from the Mayor relative to the payment of the award amounting to \$222,076.28 made by the jury for the so-called Schweikart property, purchased by the City for a Memorial Park. Your Committee have consulted with the Commissioner of Parks and Boulevards, and believing that a revenue may be derived which will offset the loss in interest had in paying the award at this time, we recommend that said payment be made and that the Department of Parks and Boulevards be authorized to assume control of said property and to operate the boat wells and docks in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.
Nays—None.

Parks and Boulevards.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration the petition of the Virginia Avenue Improvement Association (2266) and communication from the Department of Parks and Boulevards relative to placing Virginia Avenue in the park system. Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the department that said request be denied.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Taxes.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration certain petitions for cancellation of general city taxes on the grounds of charity. Your Committee have made a careful examination of same and recommend that Mrs. Effie Gesch (1953) be permitted to pay her 1919 general city taxes on Lot 329 and E. 5 feet Lot 330, 9th Plat Sub. (Ward 16, fol. 19) without penalty or interest, and that the petitions of Johanna Faust (1435), Helena Goetz (1784), Paul Omelian (2173), Helen Buck (1798), Annie Farrell (2321), and Mrs. E. Trudeau (2123), be denied.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Taxes.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole has had under consideration certain petitions for cancellation of general city taxes on the grounds of charity, and after careful investigation we recommend that the requests mentioned in the resolutions hereto attached be granted.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolutions were offered:

By Councilman Castator:
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the general city taxes levied against the property hereinafter described, for the year 1919, on the

grounds of charity, to-wit:

Helen Gretel (1945), Lot 11, addition to Seymour & Troester's Gladwin Park Sub., P. C. 26, Ward 21, fol. 1630, Val. \$2,800.

Helen Swan (2122), Lot 163, John P. Clark Estate, Ward 20, fol. 1639, Val. \$—.

Andrew Petro (1926), E. 114 ft. of S. 33 ft., P. C. 340, lying W. of and adjoining West End Ave., Ward 20, fol. 346; Val. \$2,610.

Anna Langley (1766), Lot 148, Belt Line Sub., Ward 15, fol. 280; Val. \$2,-250.

Mrs. Ida Leftt (1802), Lot 67, Girardin and Foster Sub., Ward 15, fol. 427; Val. \$1,450.

Mary Malachenski (1774), Lot 15, Hofman Sub., of O. L. 19, P. C. 182, M. Moran farm, Ward 13, fol. 337; Val. \$3,-550.

Helen Florkey (1786), Lot 14, O'Keefe and Kinsella's Sub. of O. L. 67, Ward 11, fol. 254; Val. \$2,100.

Wilhelmina Pisradna (1783), Lot 224, Sub. of Gabriel Chene Est., Ward 11, fol. 89; Val. \$1,600.

Elizabeth Angel (1928), Lot 8, Blk. 61, Plat of Sub. of W. 1/2 of P. C. 91, Ward 9, fol. 350; Val. \$2,300.

Mrs. Emily Krantz (1933), Lot 159, Bessenger & Moore's Add. to Highland Park, Ward 9, fol. 1117; Val. \$950.

Diena Dykstra (2222), Lot 155, Lovett's Sub., etc., Ward 18, fol. 60; Val. \$1,660.

Mary Wawxyniak (2120), Lot 100, Plat 9, Ward 16, fol. 14; Val. \$1,500.

Mrs. W. M. Wolf (1769), Lot 33, Jas. McMillan's Sub. of lot 4, of Sheldon Est., P. C. 83, Ward 14, fol. 99; Val. \$1,550.

Mrs. L. Borowski (1660), Lot 61, Roehm Sub., Ward 12, fol. 347; Val. \$1,-450.

And be it further

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to bid in for the City of Detroit the general city taxes levied against Lot 74, and N. 10 ft. Lot 75, Plat of Grandy's Sub. of lot 56, Ward 11, fol. 208, for the year 1919; Val. \$3,500; in the event that same are allowed to go to sale, said property being owned by V. Andresejak (1400) and so ordered on grounds of charity.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bielman, Bradley, Castator, Littlefield, Lodge, Nagel, Simons, Vernor and the President Pro Tem.—9.

Nays—None.

Signs.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the communication from the Commissioner of Buildings and Safety Engineering recommending that the bond, required under Section 361 of the Building Code to be filed by sign manufacturers, be reduced in amount from \$15,000 to \$1,000. Your Committee is agreed that a bond in the amount of \$15,000 is excessive and tends to the conditions complained of in said communication, and we therefore recommend that the Board of Rules of The Department of Building and Safety Engineering be requested to fix the amount of such bond in the sum of \$5,000 and to report the action taken by them to the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.