

be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of \$11,000.00 from General Surplus to a new account to be created and known as "Widening of Service drives on the North side of the East Grand Boulevard between Russel St. and St. Aubin Ave." within the Park and Boulevard fund.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Nuisance

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petition of A. J. Chubb, et al (11029), protesting against a nuisance at 12620 East Jefferson ave. Your committee is advised by the Commissioner of Buildings and Safety Engineering that the proprietor of the premises has been instructed as to the proper method of disposing of rubbish without causing a nuisance, and that the Department of Police has been requested to keep the premises under observation for the purpose of eliminating the blocking of the alley and the unnecessary noise caused by this business. We therefore recommend that further consideration of the matter be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Salaries and Wages

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the communication from the Department of Public Works of October 9, 1925 (J. C. C. p. 2827), requesting authority to charge payrolls for the maintenance of unpaved streets to account 23-B. Wages, Grading Newly Opened Streets, due to the fact that the fund for this work is nearly depleted on account of the emergency work created by the excessive rains. After consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

By Councilman Bradley:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and is hereby authorized and directed to honor payrolls submitted by the Department of Public Works

covering wages for maintenance of unpaved streets, to be charged to Account 23-B, Wages, Grading Newly Opened Streets.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President Pro Tem—8.

Nays—None.

Vacation of Alley

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petition of the Fisher Body Corporation (11142), for the vacation of a portion of the alley in block bounded by Hastings St., Milwaukee Ave., Crystal St. and the Wabash Ry., petitioners to dedicate a new outlet into Crystal street. After hearing with petitioners, and consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

By Councilman Bradley:

Resolved, That "all that part of public alley, 20 ft. in width, lying between the southerly line of Milwaukee ave. and the southerly line extended westerly of the northerly 10 ft. of lot 20 of Frisbie and Foxen's subdivision of part of lot 300 of the subdivision of part of Fractional Sections 29, 31 and 32, T. 1, S. R. 12 E., as recorded in Liber 7, page 22 of Plats of Wayne County Records, and adjoining the westerly line of lots 20 to 30 both inclusive of last mentioned subdivision," be and the same is hereby vacated to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property,

Provided, Petitioner deeds to the City of Detroit for alley purposes "the southerly 20 ft. of lot 20 of last mentioned subdivision," and further

Provided, That if at any time in the future, the alley described as "the southerly 20 ft. of lot 20," is ordered graded and paved the expense of such grading and paving shall be borne by petitioner, and further

Provided, That by reason of the vacation of the above described alley the City of Detroit does not waive any rights in the lateral sewer located in alley aforesaid and shall at all times have the right to enter upon the premises if found necessary on account of said sewer to repair same, and provided further that petitioner shall not build over the above described alley without first securing the approval of the City Engineer and the Board of Health, and further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and is hereby directed to execute quit claim deed covering the property herein vacated.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President Pro Tem—8.

Nays—None.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Councilman Bradley was called to the chair.

The President was excused.

By Councilman Castator:

Whereas, Railroad crossings, at grade, within the limits of the City of Detroit are becoming more hazardous to life and limb every day because of the increased number of trains passing over them, and the increased number of street cars, buses, other vehicles and pedestrians used them, and

Whereas, The delays caused by trains passing over grade crossings cost the operators of trucks, commercial and business vehicles, and transportation facilities many hundreds of thousands of dollars each year, and

Whereas, Individual delays at grade crossings ranged from nothing to more than one-half hour, and

Whereas, The thousands of citizens who ride on street cars, buses, private vehicles and who travel on foot, are delayed to such an extent in getting to and from their work and business that they are caused serious inconvenience and the value of their lost time amounts to millions of dollars each year, and

Whereas, Some sections of the City are actually blighted and their development retarded because of dangerous and inconvenient railroad crossings, and

Whereas, The Master-Plan of Street and Highways, proposed by the Rapid Transit and City Plan Commissions, has been adopted by the Common Council, and Street Openings and Widening, many of them involving railroad crossings, will proceed in accordance therewith but if the grades are not separated, the very purpose of the openings and widenings will be defeated; to-wit: to expediate traffic and transportation, and

Whereas, The Common Council has from time to time approved contracts which had for their sole object the requiring of the Railroad Companies to consider enlarging their program, in order that grade crossings might be eliminated much more rapidly than was possible under the old contracts, and

Whereas, Notwithstanding all that has been done, the present grade separation program is so limited that it might be styled ridiculous and if grade separation work in Detroit continues to proceed at the same rate in the future as it has proceeded in the past, the extremely bad conditions of the present will become altogether intolerable, Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Corporation Counsel be and they are hereby requested to confer on this matter and report to the Common Council what steps can and should be taken to induce, or require, the Railroad Companies to enlarge the grade separation program, so that the most dangerous and inconvenient grade crossings may be eliminated within a reasonable length of time.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President Pro Tem—7.

Nays—None.

By Councilman Castator:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is herewith directed, to consider the advisability of paving St. Marys Avenue from Schoolcraft to Kendall, under the forced paving clause of the City Charter.

Adopted.

By Councilman Broderick:

Resolved, That the Board of Water Commissioners be, and is herewith directed to relocate horse drinking fountain on the west of Hamilton, north of Pingree, in the line of street widening.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President Pro Tem—7.

Nays—None.

By Councilman Broderick:

Resolved, That the Department of Building and Safety Engineering be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue permits as follows:

Palmer Boulevard Estates Co. (owner in fee of the premises herein referred to), for the construction of a one-story frame building, 14 ft. by 18 ft. by 12 ft. high, upon the premises known as the north side of Six Mile Road between Lilac and Turner Aves., and being lot Nos. 26 and 27 of Palmer Blvd. Estates Sub.

Margaret L. Shaw (owner in fee of the premises herein referred to),