

Vacation of Alleys

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred petition of Fitzpatrick Holding Co. (14630), for the vacation of alleys adjoining lots 181 to 196 of Emerson Park Sub., at the northwest corner of West Chicago avenue and Southfield Road. Your committee is advised that petitioners own all of the property abutting upon the alleys, and the same are not needed for traffic purposes, and that as the land abuts upon a railroad, it can be put to industrial use if the alleys are vacated. After consultation with the City Plan Commission, and consideration of the matter, your committee recommends that the request be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR,
Chairman.

By Councilman Castator:

Resolved, That "all of the public alley, 20 ft. wide, lying in block bounded by the Pere Marquette R. R., Southfield Road, and Banmoor ave., and more particularly described as all of public alley, 20 ft. wide, adjoining the westerly line of lots 181 to 189, both inclusive, the northerly line of lot 190, and the southwesterly line of lots 195 and 196 of Emerson Park, a subdivision of part of the N. E. ¼ of Section 35, T. 1 S., R. 10 E., as recorded in Liber 55, page 45, of Plats of Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby vacated to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Provided, Petitioner bears the entire expense of relocating or rerouting any public utilities now installed in said alley which it may be necessary to remove due to the closing of same, and further

Provided, The petitioners file with the City Clerk within 30 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution, an agreement in writing waiving all damages which may accrue to them as the result of the separation of grades affecting lots 195 and 196, of last mentioned subdivision and the vacated alley herein described; and further

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

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Callahan, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Littlefield, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Finance

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the following communications from various departments requesting the transfer of funds, approval of contracts, leases, etc. After consultation with the City Controller and the interested department heads, and careful consideration of the requests, your committee recommends that same be granted in accordance with the accompanying resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. CASTATOR.

Corporation Counsel

December 20, 1927.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—After the Vernor Highway widening had been concluded the City Treasurer advertised for sale, among others, three houses located at 3424, 3426 and 3434 Dix Avenue, and 1900 and 1906 Twenty-fourth Street. Ernest C. Bridges, of 4007 Dix Avenue, made a bid upon these properties upon January 28, 1926, and paid down a check in the sum of \$134.00.

Before Mr. Bridges could move these buildings, most of the material in them was stolen and the city was not in the position of being able to deliver the buildings in the condition they were in when the sale was made. Mr. Bridges asks the return of his deposit in the sum of \$134.00, alleging that the City did not protect the buildings and they were ruined.

The matter was taken up with this Department by Councilman John C. Nagel and the writer is of the opinion that the petition for refund should, as a matter of equity, be granted. I would therefore suggest that your honorable body direct the City Treasurer to make a refund to Mr. Bridges in the sum of \$134.00.

After the buildings had been stripped of their bathroom fixtures, doors, laundry tubs and other equipment, the Department of Public Works demolished them in order to effect the actual widening of the street.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES H. LEE,

Assistant Corporation Counsel.

By Councilman Stevenson:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Ernest C. Bridges, 4007 Dix avenue, in the sum of \$134.00, being refund of amount paid by him on purchase of houses at 3424, 3426 and 3434 Dix ave. and 1900 and 1906 Twenty-fourth st., ac-