

of the requests, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE I. VAN ANTWERP,
Chairman.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

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

Ernst Kern Co., for the erection of a sign in the form of an eight foot square box painted to resemble a gift package on corner of building at Woodward and Gratiot aves.

Crowley, Milner & Co., sign on marquis of building at 100 Gratiot ave., to be 75 ft. long by 11 ft. high, and to read "Merry Christmas."

Provided, said signs are put up under the supervision and direction of the Department of Buildings and Safety Engineering, and are removed not later than December 31, 1934.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Dingeman, Engel, Lindsay, Lodge, Van Antwerp and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Taxes

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole were referred petitions of various persons or firms for cancellation, reduction or refund of personal or general city taxes. Said petitions having been referred to the Board of Assessors for investigation, and said board having made certain recommendations as to cancellation, reduction or refund, which have been approved by the Corporation Counsel, your committee concurs therein, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE I. VAN ANTWERP,
Chairman.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the personal taxes levied against the following named persons or firms for the years mentioned:

Andrew Guefa (3717), 1933—val. \$800, amt. \$19.27 (w. 1, item 396).

J. J. Rennie (3568), 1934—val. \$450, amt. \$11.10 (w. 15, item 825).

Donald G. Cummings (2851), 1934—val. \$200, amt. \$4.93 (w. 17, item 304), and further

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to accept from the following named persons or firms the amounts shown, with interest added from due date to date of payment, in full settlement of personal taxes for the years mentioned, and cancel balance due:

Fred T. Sanders (3950), 1933—val. \$1,350, amt. \$32.52 (w. 16, item 2504). 1934—val. \$1,200, amt. \$29.59 (w. 16, item 2274).

Henze Co. (3556), 1934—val. \$350, amt. \$8.63 (w. 19, item 375).

Louis J. Wilker (2290), 1931—val. \$3,000, amt. \$67.92 (w. 22, item 916). 1932—val. \$2,500, amt. \$68.56 (w. 22, item 1760). 1933—val. \$2,080, amt. \$50.11 (w. 22, item 1549), and 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 Robert Ernst (3843), in the sum of \$145.21, being refund of 1931 general city taxes levied against "E 80 ft. of S 80 ft. of lot 60, Warner's Sub., Cap. 132", (w. 2, f. 178, item 1691), new valuation \$35,160, reduction of \$5,700 on land, and in the sum of \$63.53 being refund of 1932 general city taxes levied against same lot (w. 2, f. 225, item 1687), new valuation \$32,580, reduction of \$2,160 on land, and 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 the City Treasurer for the amount of current taxes, cancelled by this resolution, and further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to honor vouchers when presented by the City Treasurer in favor of any of the above named persons or firms to whom refund is due on the basis of the amount of tax payable subsequent to said cancellation or reduction being less than the amount paid on the original assessment.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Dingeman, Engel, Lindsay, Lodge, Van Antwerp and the President—8.

Nays—None.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That that portion of resolution adopted October 16, 1934 (J. C. C. p. 1913), authorizing a reduction in general city taxes levied against Robert Ernst (309), on "E 80 ft. of S 80 ft. of lot 60, Warner's Sub., Cap. 132" for the years 1931 and 1932 be and the same is hereby rescinded for the purpose of correction.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Dingeman, Engel, Lindsay, Lodge, Van Antwerp and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Vacation of Alley

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred petition of the Howard Flint Ink Co (3903), for the vacation of a portion of the north

and south alley in the block lying west of Scotten ave., north of Brandon ave. and south of the Michigan Central R. R. Your committee is advised by the City Plan Commission that the petitioner is the owner of all the property abutting upon the portion of the alley to be closed, and no other property owner will be injured through the vacation of same. After careful consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE I. VAN ANTWERP,
Chairman.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That "All that part of public alley lying between Scotten and Clark Avenues; Brandon Avenue and the M. C. R. R., more particularly described as all that part of public alley 10 feet wide lying west of and adjoining the westerly line of Lot 232 and the northerly 45.10 feet of Lot 233 of Scotten & Lovett's Re-Sub'n. of all that part of P. C. 583 lying north of the Dix Road and south of M. C. R. R., Springwells, (now Detroit) T. 2., S. R. 11 E., Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 5 Page 42 of Plats of Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby vacated to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Provided, at such time as a building is erected over vacated alley, a manhole is to be constructed near the end of vacated alley at the expense of the petitioner, its successors or assigns, and further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute quit-claim deed covering the property vacated by this resolution.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Dingeman, Engel, Lindsay, Lodge, Van Antwerp and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Finance

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

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

Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE I. VAN ANTWERP,
Chairman.

Controller

November 21, 1934.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In order to meet the payroll of the Board of Education for November 23, 1934, it will be necessary for the City of Detroit to advance to the School Board the sum of \$1,000,000. These funds are now on deposit in the City Treasury and are available for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. CURRAN,
Controller.

By Councilman Dingeman:

Resolved, that the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to advance to the Board of Education the sum of \$1,000,000 for the payment of salaries of the Board of Education due November 23, 1934. The funds in excess of taxes collected to be loaned by the City of Detroit to the Board of Education are to be repaid from any further moneys given to the Board of Education by the State of Michigan, or from any other source.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Castator, Dingeman, Engel, Lindsay, Lodge, Van Antwerp and the President—8.

Nays—None.

Corporation Counsel

November 20, 1934.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In re: Claim of Wardell Realty Co., Claim 7313, Petition 3516.

The above entitled claim arose out of the collapse of a portion of the pavement on Woodward Ave. at Kirby Ave., immediately adjacent to the Wardell Apartments, and claim was filed against the City of Detroit in the sum of \$2,091.26, with interest thereon at the rate of 5 per cent since May 23, 1932, a detailed report of same having been referred to your Honorable Body by this office under date of February 27, 1933, with our recommendation that same be denied. At the time this recommendation was made, an advantageous adjustment of said claim could not be made.

Suit was started in the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne, same being No. 179,809, and the case was assigned for trial November 12, 1934, at which time an offer of settlement was made, subject to your approval, in the sum of \$750.00, and after a conference with Mr. Lenhardt, Commissioner of Public Works, it was deemed to the best interests of the City to settle said case on the above basis.

The original figure as above set forth, \$2,091.26, represents the exact amount paid out by the Wardell