

Edwards, Garlick, Rogell, Sweeny, Van Antwerp and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

Councilman Van Antwerp then moved that the motion to reconsider be indefinitely postponed, which motion prevailed.

The regular order was resumed.

By Councilman Comstock:

Whereas, the Budget for the 1942-1943 fiscal year returned to the Mayor on this date is the largest in the history of this City, and

Whereas, the assessed valuation of property will probably be increased, and

Whereas, these trends are contrary to the best interests of the City, and must be reversed for the duration of the war even if some usual, but not entirely essential services have to be abandoned in whole or in part and

Whereas, Federal taxes, direct and indirect, will certainly be increased to the ceiling of ability to pay; and

Whereas, Federal rent control will freeze the income from real estate;

Whereas, property, real and personal, is the only available taxable source, under present law, for revenue to provide the City's expenditures; and

Whereas, There is grave danger of inability to pay real and personal property taxes if both the tax rate and assessed value are too high; and

Whereas, the utmost economy possible in administration of the City's affairs is an indicated necessity for the next few years; Now therefore be it

Resolved, that department heads and responsible assistants be and are hereby requested and instructed to start the necessary pruning processes and to effect all possible economies below budget allowances in the fiscal year 1942-1943 as a matter of patriotic duty.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Dorais, Edwards, Garlick, Rogell, Sweeny, Van Antwerp and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

Reconsideration

Councilman Sweeny moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted.

Councilman Dorais moved to suspend Rule 23, except amendment as adopted May 3, 1938, for the purpose of indefinitely postponing the motion to reconsider, which motion prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Dorais, Edwards, Garlick, Rogell, Sweeny, Van

Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

Councilman Van Antwerp then moved that the motion to reconsider be indefinitely postponed, which motion prevailed.

The regular order was resumed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

Chairman Edwards submitted the following reports of Committee of the Whole for above date, and recommended their adoption:

Alleys and Easements

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole were referred petitions of Irene L. Ford (9861), requesting the vacation of alley immediately south of and parallel to Western Dr. between Rosemont and Southfield, and James Maloney, et al (8483), for the vacation of an easement parallel to Fielding and Patton Aves., between Clarita and Pickford Aves. After consultation with the City Plan Commission, and careful consideration of the requests, your committee recommends that same be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE EDWARDS,

Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

State Scavenger Sale

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole were referred petitions of the Perry Barrel & Bag Co. (759) (842), requesting that certain property on the south side of Mullett St., between Hastings and Rivard Streets, be allowed to proceed to the scavenger sale. After consultation with the City Plan Commission, and careful consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE EDWARDS,

Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Vacation of Alley

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred petition of the Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (592), for the vacation of alley on the west side of Whitcomb Ave. south of Grand River Ave. After consultation with the City Plan Commission, and careful consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted in ac-

cordance with the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE EDWARDS,
 Chairman.

By Councilman Edwards:

Resolved, that all of public alley, 18 feet wide, as platted in Hampton Roads Subdivision of part of the W. 1/2 of S. W. 1/4 of Sec. 19, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., Greenfield Twp., Wayne Co., Michigan as recorded in Liber 34, Page 64 of Plats of Wayne County Records and lying between the northerly line of Lot 155 and the southerly line of Lot 156, all of last mentioned subdivision.

Be and the same is hereby vacated to become part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Provided, petitioners reimburse the owners to the extent of the value of any utilities now installed in said alley which it may be necessary to abandon due to the closing of same or bear the entire expense of relocating or rerouting any public utilities which it may be necessary to relocate or reroute due to the closing of said alley, and further

Resolved, that upon compliance with the above proviso the City Controller be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue Quit Claim Deed to Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, a Michigan Corporation as owner in fee of adjoining property.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Dorais, Edwards, Garlick, Rogell, Sweeny, Van Antwerp and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

Zoning Ordinance

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was again referred petition of the Falcon Thread Grinding Co. (680), to change the zoning of property at 4122 E. McNichols Road from B2 to ML classification in order to maintain the plant which is engaged in the manufacture of war material. After hearing with petitioner, further consultation with the City Plan Commission, and careful consideration of the matter, your committee does not recommend that the zoning classification be changed. Your committee does recommend, however, that inasmuch as petitioner is engaged in the manufacture of necessary war equipment, and at the urgent request of officers of the United States Army, that petitioner be permitted to maintain and occupy the present building until such time as a new and proper location is selected, provided, petitioner exerts every effort to secure such new location as

soon as possible. We therefore offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE EDWARDS,
 Chairman.

By Councilman Edwards:

Resolved, that the Commissioner of Buildings and Safety Engineering be and he is hereby requested to delay the enforcement of the provisions of the zoning ordinance insofar as same pertain to 4122 E. McNichols Road between Ryan Road and Dean ave. until further direction of the Common Council, this action taken at the urgent request of United States Army officers; the department to submit report to this body in sixty days as to the progress being made by petitioner in the acquiring of a new location for this plant.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Dorais, Edwards, Garlick, Rogell, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem.—8.

Nays—None.

And the Council then adjourned.

JOHN C. LODGE,
 President Pro Tem.

THOMAS D. LEADBETTER,
 City Clerk.

ORDINANCE No. 236-D

(File in container and make notation at Chapter 83 on page 139)

AN ORDINANCE to repeal Chapter 83 of the Compiled Ordinances of the City of Detroit of 1936, as amended, being an Ordinance restricting Junk Shop Districts.

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF DETROIT:

Section 1. That Chapter 83 of the Compiled Ordinances of the City of Detroit of 1936, as amended being an Ordinance restricting Junk Shop Districts, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. This ordinance is hereby declared necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the people of the City of Detroit, and is hereby given immediate effect.

Approved January 20, 1942.

EDWARD J. JEFFRIES, JR.,
 Mayor.

Attest:
THOMAS D. LEADBETTER,
 City Clerk.

This ordinance will take effect on the 21st day of January, 1942.

THOMAS D. LEADBETTER,
 City Clerk.