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City Plan Commission

August 5, 1944.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—A parcel of land, lying adjacent to Van Dyke Avenue north-erly of Harper, is in possession of the City of Detroit. This property was a part of that which was acquired for the widening of Van Dyke Avenue. That widening has been completed and the land which remains is no longer necessary for that purpose.

A certain public alley was provided within it at the time the widening and pavement of Van Dyke Avenue was effected but land for this alley was never dedicated for that pur- pose. Another public alley, 12 ft. wide, extends through it and has

never been vacated, although it is not now used and is no longer nec-essary; while still another alley, adjacent to this parcel, is only 8 ft. wide. It appears desirable that this alley be widened to a width of 20 ft.

After careful consideration of this matter by the City Plan Commission, at its meeting of August 3, it is the opinion of the Commission that such alleys, which are not necessary, should be vacated and that land for those alleys which apparently are necessary should be dedicated after which the remaining land in this excess parcel may be disposed of as there is no municipal purpose which it might serve apparent at the present time.

The City Plan Commission, there-fore recommends:

- (1) That a portion of this land be dedicated for an east and west public alley, 20 ft. wide, extending from the alley abutting the rear of lots fronting Van Dyke on its westerly side to the line of Van Dyke Avenue;
- (2) That the public alley which abuts the remaining portions of Lot Nos. 20 and 21 be widened to a width of 20 ft. by dedicating a strip of land 12 ft. wide now within the property which is in possession of the City;
- (3) That the 12 ft. east-west public alley, which extends through this property and lies between Lot Nos. 19 and 20 be vacated.

All of which is indicated in Plan No. 310-620, which is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. F. EMERY,
Secretary.

Corporation Counsel

October 11, 1944.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Recently your Honorable Body referred to this office a communication from the City Plan Commission together with Plan No. 310-620 relative to the relocation and widening of alleys on the west side of Van Dyke north of Harper Avenue. You have requested this office to draft the necessary resolution to make effective the recommendation of the City Plan Commission.

It appears that all of the land involved in the proposed relocation is owned by the City of Detroit. This land was acquired in condemnation proceedings for the widening of Van Dyke Avenue, and it is in excess of the present width of Van Dyke Avenue as now established.

We have conferred with the City Engineer's Office for the purpose of obtaining the necessary survey of the land involved; also to ascertain the effect the relocation might have on utilities owned by the City and private corporation, and the effect, if any, upon structures in the vicinity. The City Engineer has reported that the only City department affected by the proposed change will be the Public Lighting Commission, which will be required to construct a duct to protect street lighting parkway cables under the proposed alley opening on the west side of Van Dyke Avenue opposite Malvern Avenue; and that no other public utilities or structures will be affected. The report of the City Engineer is herewith submitted, together with Drawing No. 6-523, showing in detail the proposed established, and vacated areas.

In compliance with your Honorable Body's request, we have prepared and

are attaching hereto, a resolution providing for the changes in the alley locations and the establishment of other land for alley purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. VASHAK,
Asst. Corporation Counsel.

Approved:

PAUL E. KRAUSE,
Corporation Counsel.

By Councilman Comstock:

Resolved, That all that part of Lots 20 and 21 of Frank C. Irvine's Subdivision on southwest corner of fractional Section 27, in Hamtramck (now Detroit), Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 16 of Plats, Page 41, Wayne County Records, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the southwest corner of Lot 20 heretofore mentioned; thence along the westerly line of said Lots 20 and 21, north 0d 21m 15s west 90.71 feet to a point in the westerly line of Van Dyke Avenue 106 feet wide as now established; thence along said westerly line of Van Dyke Avenue south 24d 12m east 19.68 feet to a point in Lot 21 of last mentioned subdivision; thence south 3d 21m 15s east 57.84 feet to a point in the southerly line of said Lot 20; thence along said southerly line south 34d 08m 20s west 13.29 feet to the place of beginning, be and the same is hereby established as a public alley for the purpose of widening the existing 8-foot public alley adjoining the above described property to a width of 20 feet; and further

Resolved, That the southerly 20 feet of the westerly part of Lot 19 of Frank C. Irvine's Subdivision heretofore mentioned lying between the westerly line of Van Dyke Avenue 106 feet wide as now established and the westerly line of said Lot 19 be and the same is hereby established as a public alley; and further

Resolved, That all that part of public alley 12 feet wide as platted in Frank C. Irvine's Subdivision heretofore mentioned lying between the southerly line of Lot 20 and the northerly line of Lot 19 both of last mentioned subdivision and between the westerly line of Van Dyke Avenue 106 feet wide as now established and the easterly line of said Lot 19 extended northerly, be and the same is hereby vacated as a public alley to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property:

Provided, That in the event any sale is made of land in excess of that herein established for public alleys, an amount of not less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars shall be set aside from such sale and credited to the Public Lighting Commission Account No. 9 to cover the cost of laying a