

burden which is more than an imposition because of demands that the municipalities already have to meet.

The FPHA, under this form of contract, takes to itself the credit of making available to the veteran a temporary home while imposing any losses of maintenance and operation, along with the preparation of the land and all other incidentals thereto on the municipal government, not only saving to themselves what may appear to be a loss but would be making a substantial profit. The Detroit Housing Commission does not feel that this was the intent of Congress and definitely is advised that such an intention does not exist in the law.

Your Honorable Body is therefore respectfully requested to approve the contract of the FPHA under protest and petition our Michigan congressional delegation as outlined in this letter.

Respectfully submitted

CHAS. F. EDGECOMB,
Director-Secretary.

By Councilman Oakman:

Whereas, the Detroit Housing Commission has presented a proposed contract between the City of Detroit and the Federal Public Housing Authority, relative to the providing of temporary housing for veterans, for approval of the Common Council; and

Whereas, the Housing Commission has pointed out in its letter of May 13, 1946, that the contract is in many respects inequitable, particularly with respect to the City assuming deficiencies in the cost of operation of the projects, together with the Federal Government taking the net income from them; and

Whereas, Approval has been requested under protest; and

Whereas, neither the Housing Commission nor this Common Council desires to delay the veterans' emergency housing program;

Now, Therefore, Be It

Resolved, that this Common Council does hereby approve said contract under protest because of the inequitable nature of same for the foregoing reasons as set forth in the letter of the Detroit Housing Commission; and be it further

Resolved, that the Michigan delegation in Congress be sent copies of this resolution and of the letter of the Detroit Housing Commission; and be it further

Resolved, that the members of the Michigan delegation in Congress be requested to introduce legislation providing reimbursement to the local authorities for the monies they will be required to expend in providing

utilities and facilities for veterans' emergency housing.

Approved:

WILLIAM E. DOWLING,
Corporation Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Castator, Dorais, Oakman, Rogell, and the President—5.

Nays—Councilmen Comstock and Lodge—2.

Department of Public Works

April 22, 1946.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole referred petition of Emily Handson et al (No. 8680) requesting the vacation of a portion of Kelly Road south of Springarden Avenue to the Department of Public Works for further investigation and report. The vacation of this portion of Kelly Road has been previously recommended by the City Plan Commission in their communication to your Honorable Body of February 4, 1946.

We wish to advise that the petitioners have deeded to the City of Detroit for the widening of Kelly Road a portion of their property in accordance with the request of the City Plan Commission. This deed has been approved by the Corporation Counsel's Office as to form and execution and we are herewith attaching it for your acceptance.

All of our investigations have been completed and we have found no City departments and no private utilities affected adversely by the proposed vacation. Therefore, we recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Castator:

Resolved, that all that part of Kelly Road, south of Springarden Avenue, as platted in Park Drive Subdivision No. 7 of part of P. C. 231, City of Detroit, Wayne Co., Michigan, as recorded in Liber 60, Page 28 of Plats of Wayne County Records, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the intersection of the southerly line of Springarden Avenue, 86 feet wide as now established, with the easterly line of lot 2331 of Park Drive Subdivision, heretofore mentioned, thence along the said easterly line of said lot 2331, S. 30 deg. 29 min. 49 sec. W., 30.62 feet to a point in the southeasterly corner of said lot 2331; thence along a line, said line being the southerly line of said lot 2331 extended easterly, N. 89 deg. 43 min. 49 sec. E., 48.87 feet to a point in the westerly line of Kelly Road, 93 feet wide as now established; thence along said westerly line of Kelly Road, N. 30 deg. 29 min.

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80 sec. E., 5.61 feet to a point in the southerly line of Springarden Avenue, 80 feet wide as now established; thence along said southerly line of Springarden Avenue, N. 59 deg. 30 min. 11 sec. W., 42 feet to the point of beginning, be and the same is hereby vacated to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property, and further

Resolved, that warranty deed of Lowell Jesmore and Mildred Jesmore, his wife, to the City of Detroit dedicating land for the widening of Kelly Road south of Springarden Avenue, said land being described as "All that part of P. C. 231 City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, lying south of Springarden Avenue and west of Kelly Road more particularly described as follows: All that part of said P. C. 231 lying easterly of the westerly line, extended, of Kelly Road, 98 feet wide as now established and westerly of a line said line being 27 ft. easterly of and parallel to said westerly line of Kelly Road, 93 ft. wide as now established, and between the southerly line, extended easterly of lot E331 of Park Drive Subn. No. 7 of part of P. C. 231, City of Detroit, Wayne Co., Mich., as recorded in Liber 60, Page 28 of Plats, Wayne County Records, and the northerly line extended easterly of lot 1 of John Kelly Estate Subdivision of part of rear concession P. C. 231, City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 59, Page 1 of Plats of Wayne County Records to be used for street purposes and to be known as Kelly Road" be and the same is hereby accepted and the City Controller is hereby directed to record said deed in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wayne County.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Castator, Comstock, Dcrais, Lodge, Oakman, Rogell, and the President—7.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

May 8, 1946.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen: We are returning herewith the following petitions; also attaching letters requesting the forced construction of sidewalks at various locations as shown in lists attached:

Letter—East Outer Drive Improvement Association.

Petition No. 872—Jos. C. Michno.

Petition No. 1127—L. P. Wittenberg, et al.

Petition No. 1037—Richard Reed.

Letter—Greenwich Park Improvement Association.

Petition No. 950—Wm. Barrie, et al.

*Petition No. 952—Harold V. Raymond, et al.

Letter—South Detroit Community Improvement League.

*This petition was returned to the City Clerk on April 26th, with communication.

There is a total of approximately 11,454 lineal feet of sidewalk to be constructed or reconstructed, and to effect these new local improvements would cost approximately \$24,741.68, this expense to be borne by the abutting property owners.

In compliance with Ordinance No. 107-D effective August 26, 1939, we have checked tax records in the City Treasurer's Office to ascertain if any are delinquent in the proposed sidewalk districts, and report that taxes are paid to date except four lots which are less than twenty per cent delinquent.

As these are original sidewalks and can only be ordered laid by formal resolution as a forced account under the provisions of Ordinance No. 107-D, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEN L. FUNK,
Secretary.

By Councilman Oakman:

Whereas, The Common Council of the City of Detroit deems it necessary to construct or reconstruct artificial stone, cement or concrete sidewalks, crosswalks, or driveways, upon the descriptions of property hereinafter described, therefore,

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby instructed to serve notices upon the owners or agents of the property hereinafter described, to construct or reconstruct artificial stone, cement or concrete sidewalks, crosswalks or driveways, and in default thereof by them the Department of Public Works proceed to construct or reconstruct such sidewalks, crosswalks or driveways.

East side Mitchell between Lantz and Outer Drive, lot 87.

West side Charest between Outer Drive and Lantz, lot 249.

East side Riad between Yorkshire and Grayton, lot 81.

East side Riad between Whittier and Yorkshire, lot 96.

West side Riad between Yorkshire and Whittier, lot 95.

East side Kelly Rd. between Yorkshire and Grayton, lot 1.

West side Payton between Grayton and Yorkshire, lot 40.

West side Payton between Whittier and Yorkshire, lot 54.

East side Bonita between Duchess and Whitehill, lot 50.

North side Outer Drive between Whitehill and Duchess, lot 17.

West side Haverhill between Whitehill and Duchess, lot 92.