

June 15

City Treasurer one quarter of the estimated cost in accordance with the ordinance requiring such advance payments, as listed herewith:

Abington, Fullerton, Davison.  
 Ardmore, Curtis to Pickford.  
 Argus, Bramell to 473 ft. E. of Brame'l.

Burgess, Grand River to Orchard.  
 Mansfield, Pembroke to 427 ft. N. of Pembroke.

Nett, St. Cyril to Van Dyke.  
 Pembroke, Mansfield to Rutherford.  
 Rockcastle, Canyon to Moross.

Since the property owners have complied with the City ordinances for street paving in each case, it is hereby recommended that the City Engineer prepare plans and specifications and advertise for paving proposals.

Respectfully submitted,  
**GLENN C. RICHARDS,**  
 Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Kronk:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare plans and specifications and advertise for paving proposals on the streets listed in the foregoing communication.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Edgcomb, Garlick, Kronk, Miriani, Oakman, Smith and the President—8.  
 Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

June 14, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith petition of Charles Colombine, et al (No. 1295), requesting the vacation of a cul-de-sac alley north of Gratiot Avenue between Mitchell and McDougall Avenues.

The vacation of said alley was approved and recommended by the City Plan Commission in their recommendation to your Honorable Body of May 27, 1948. The petition was then referred to this office by your Committee of the Whole for investigation and report.

Please be advised that all of our investigations have been completed. In reply to our inquiries, all City departments and private utility companies reported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said alley.

In view of the above, we recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
**GLENN C. RICHARDS,**  
 Acting Commissioner,

By Councilman Kronk:

Resolved, That all of east and west public alley 20 feet wide, north of

Gratiot Avenue, between Mitchell and McDougall Avenues, as platted in Block 48, plat of the subdivision of Blocks 48, 61, 62 and 64, McDougall Farm, north of Gratiot Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 5 of plats, Page 40, Wayne County Records, lying north of and adjoining the north line of lot 5 and south of and adjoining the south line of the west 30 feet of lot 8, both lots being the same as platted in last mentioned subdivision;

Be and the same is hereby vacated as a public alley to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Comstock, Edgcomb, Garlick, Kronk, Miriani, Oakman, Smith and the President—8.  
 Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

June 4, 1948.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Attached hereto is a tabulation showing the status of the entire program for improved crossing protection throughout the City area as of this date.

The following is a report on the progress of crossing protection installations currently under way for the period of April 21st through June 4, 1948.

#### DETROIT TERMINAL RAILROAD:

—The installation of the side-of street crossing protection at E. Warren Avenue was finally completed, after several setbacks had been experienced in getting the short-arm gates to function properly. The equipment was put into service at noon on April 28th. The old center of the street concrete pedestals, comprising the foundations of the former protection equipment, were removed the following day. During the time intervals that construction was interrupted at the E. Warren crossing, the railroad signal crew worked on the Joy Road protection installation which was completed and put into service on May 15th at 2:00 P. M.

The next installation on the Terminal is scheduled at the Chicago Boulevard crossing. At the end of May it was reported that the percentage of completion for this improvement amounted to 5%, work having only been started on the 20th. Concentrated efforts will be made to complete this installation by the middle of June.

Copies of Michigan Public Service Commission orders were received on April 29th concerning the new protection programmed for the year 1948 on the Detroit Terminal at the Joseph Campau, Schoolcraft and Fullerton Avenue crossings.

Orders for the remaining crossing