

**PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION,**

By ..... Field Office Director

(SEAL)  
ATTEST:

By ..... Attesting Officer

Approved as to form:

PAUL T. DWYER,  
Acting Corporation Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Kronk, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem—7.  
Nays—None.

**Reconsideration**

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

Councilman Rogell moved to suspend Rule 23 for the purpose of indefinitely postponing the motion to reconsider, which motion prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Kronk, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem—7.  
Nays—None.

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

The regular order was resumed.

**Memorial Hall Commission**

April 2, 1951.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—For some time efforts have been made to secure a food operator for the facilities in the Veterans' Memorial Building. The Department of Purchases & Supplies has advertised for operators on two occasions and because of conditional bids received, none of them was considered satisfactory.

It is considered that all potentially interested food operators have been interviewed and this Commission now believes that an agreement should be entered into with an operator. It is recommended that your Honorable Body authorize this Commission to enter into an agreement with the Varden Catering Company of 5138 North Military Avenue, Detroit 10, Michigan, for the operation of the food and checking facilities in the Veterans' Memorial Building. For a five year agreement this operator has offered 10% on food catering in the Ballroom and Banquet Room, 5% on all other food operations, and 20% on checking. These percentages are based on gross receipts less sales taxes.

It is considered that this operator is highly qualified for the operation and that his proposal is the most favorable to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. FRAWLEY,

President.

By Councilman Rogell:

Resolved, That the Memorial Hall Commission be and is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the operation of the food and checking facilities in the Veterans' Memorial Building with the Varden Catering Company.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Kronk, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem—7.

Nays—None.

**Department of Public Works**

March 28, 1951.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The petitions of Midland Steel Products Company, et al (No. 2096), William I. Horgan, et al (No. 4116), I. L. Stewart, et al (No. 4118), and Albert White, et al (No. 4989), requesting the conversion into easements of alleys at the various locations described in the attached resolution, were referred to this office by your Committee of the Whole for investigation and report and are returned herewith.

The conversion of said alleys into easements was approved by the City Plan Commission at an earlier date.

We wish to advise that our investigations are completed. In reply to our inquiries, all City departments and privately owned utility companies reported that they have no objection to the conversion of the alleys into easements provided that proper provisions be incorporated into the vacating resolution protecting their interests in the installations in the alleys.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,

Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Beck:

Resolved, That all that part of east-west public alley, 16 feet wide, in block bounded by Ackley, Foster, Varney and Benham Avenues, as platted in H. L. Baker's Subdivision of lots 16, 17, 18, 19 and the west ½ of 20, of the subdivision of the N. ½ of Section 28, and the N. E. fraction of Section 29, T. 1, S., R. 12 E., as recorded in Liber 9 of plats, Page 55, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lots 51 to 60, both inclusive, and north of and adjoining the north line of lots 102 to 111, both inclusive, of said H. L. Baker's Subdivision. (Petition No. 2096);

Also, all of east-west public alley, 20 feet wide, north of Curtis Avenue and west of Sunderland Avenue, as platted in Longfellow Manor, a subdivision of part of the N. ½ of Section 11, T. 1, S., R. 10 E., as recorded in Liber 53 of plats, Page 18, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lot 478



and north of and adjoining the north line of lots 479 to 483, both inclusive, of said Longfellow Manor Subdivision, (Petition No. 4116):

Also, all of north-south public alley, 16 feet wide, in block bounded by Dolphin, Rockdale, Verne and Grove Avenues, as platted in Frank Lee's Subdivision of a part of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, T. 1, S., R. 10 E., as recorded in Liber 35 of plats, Page 89, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 21 to 33, both inclusive, and west of and adjoining the west line of lots 54 to 66, both inclusive, of said Frank Lee's Subdivision, (Petition No. 4118);

Also, all of north-south public alley, 20 feet wide, in block bounded by Ashton, Southfield, Trojan and Hessel Avenues, as platted in Southfield Gate, a subdivision of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the N. E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 2, T. 1, S., R. 10 E., as recorded in Liber 63 of plats, Page 60, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 206 to 220, both inclusive, and west of and adjoining the west line of lots 221 to 250, both inclusive, of said Southfield Gate Subdivision, (Petition No. 4989);

Be and the same are hereby vacated as public alleys and converted into public easements, which easements shall be subject to the following agreements, covenants, uses, reservations and regulations, which shall be observed by the owners of the lots abutting on said alleys and by their grantees and assigns, and their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, forever, to wit:

First, said owners hereby grant to and for the use of the public an easement or right-of-way over said vacated public alleys, hereinabove described, for the purpose of installing, maintaining, repairing, removing or replacing any sewer, conduit, telephone, telegraph, electric light or other poles or things usually placed or installed in a public alley in the City of Detroit, with the right to ingress or egress at any time to and over said easement for the purposes above set forth;

Second, said owners for their heirs and assigns further agree that no buildings or structures of any nature whatsoever (except necessary line fences) shall be built or placed upon said easements or any part thereof, so that said easements shall be forever of easy access for the purposes named above;

Third, that said easements shall be used for the same purposes for which public alleys are generally used in the City of Detroit, excepting that the owners of such easement may prohibit the passage of vehicles therein;

Fourth, that if at any time in the future, the owners of any lots

abutting on said vacated alleys, their heirs or assigns, shall request the removal and/or relocation of the existing poles or other utilities in any easement, such owners upon whose property the poles or other utilities are located shall pay all costs incidental to such removal and/or relocation, unless such charges are waived by the utility owners.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Beck, Connor, Kronk, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem—7.  
Nays—None.

Department of Public Works  
March 30, 1951.

Honorable Common Council:  
Gentlemen — Submitted herewith are four copies of the new Tri-Party contract for the financing and constructing of the balance of the John Lodge and Edsel Ford Expressways.

This contract provides for the financing of the total cost to complete which is 134 million dollars. 80 million dollars of this total cost is to be provided from revenue bonds and the balance from yearly cash payments by the State, County and City, along with federal funds available. The State agrees to pay 50%, the County 25% and the City 25% toward this financing. The sale of bonds will permit the acceleration of the expressway construction, and it is hoped that the project can be completed at least to Gratiot Avenue in between four and five years.

We have been advised by the Bureau of Public Roads to make all arrangements for the financing, as they were quite sure that priorities for materials would be given these projects. The procedures are being set up at this time in Washington to handle these priorities, but it is not expected that the machinery will be operating before July 1.

In the meantime, the contracts that have been awarded and will be started this Spring have had assurance of acceptable material deliveries.

Also submitted is a resolution which it is recommended that your Honorable Body approve, authorizing the Mayor and the City Controller to execute the contract for the City. This resolution has been approved by the Corporation Counsel as to form. The contract as submitted is approved by Commissioner Ziegler, Leroy C. Smith, and Mayor Cobo.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Expressway Coordinator.

Revised 3-28-51.

THIS CONTRACT, between the STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, hereinafter referred to as the "State"; THE BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD