

"Please be advised of the following action taken. On April 9th, I called a meeting of the persons who might aid in the control of the speed of boats on the Detroit River and in the canal zone. Those persons invited were Chief Petty Officer Adrian of the Coast Guard; Mr. Palmer, Sanitation Officer of the Department of Public Works; and Inspector Pace, Lieutenant Neumann and myself of this Department. The situation was discussed at length and Chief Petty Officer Adrian informed us that the Admiral in charge of navigation on the lakes and rivers in this area had issued orders to all steamship companies that it is imperative that their ships reduce speed when entering into the Detroit River from Lake St. Clair to the head of Belle Isle. He also stated that his command would see that this order is complied with and that the ships reduce speed. As for speeding on the canals, the regulated speed was formerly five miles per hour. It was decided to reduce this speed to two miles per hour during the emergency which now exists, namely the damage which might be caused to the dykes. The sign shop has made ten 36" x 52" signs reading "Maximum Speed 2 Miles Per Hour During Emergency—Police Order." These signs have been erected at the most strategic locations along the canal. All commercial boat livery operators have been contacted and all have agreed to cooperate in this matter and to instruct persons renting boats from their liveries relative to the speed regulations. The Harbor-master Bureau has installed a patrol which will operate from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight daily, and patrol the canals to see that the speed limit is enforced. I am sure that the precautions taken will eliminate any more complaints, and I also feel sure that our Harbormaster Bureau and members of the Fifth Precinct Station will see that all of the controls are regulated."

The above quoted report of Senior Inspector Arthur Heidt is respectfully submitted to your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. BOOS,

Comissioner.

Received and placed on file.

Department of Public Works

April 11, 1952

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The low bid for lateral sewer No. 6768 (Contract PW-1447) has been accepted by your Honorable Body. The cost of this sewer has been assessed against the abutting properties as set forth in Lateral Sewer Assessment Roll B-88.

A notice of the completion of this roll was published in The Detroit Legal News on April 4, 1952, as pre-

scribed by ordinance. No protests have been received against this roll, and we, therefore, recommend that your Honorable Body confirm same.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That Lateral Sewer Assessment Roll B-88, in the amount of \$2,094.00 for defraying the cost of constructing lateral sewer No. 6768 (Contract PW-1447) be and the same is hereby approved and confirmed.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

Reconsideration

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

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

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

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

The regular order was resumed.

Department of Public Works

April 11, 1952

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The petitions of John S. Woods, et al (No. 5986), B. E. Hendrickson, et al (No. 7588), Harold L. Rankin, et al (No. 7753), Julius Hartman, et al (No. 8626), and Morris Rosen, et al (No. 8890), requesting the conversions into easements of the 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 will be unaffected by the changes or that they have no objection to the conversion of the alleys into easements provided that proper provisions are incorporated into the vacating resolution protecting their interests in the installations located in the alleys.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That all of north-south public alley, 18 ft. wide, in block bounded by Gilchrist, Biltmore, Pembroke and Fargo Avenues, as platted in Madison Park Subdivision as recorded in Liber 53 of plats, Page 12, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 363 to 373, both inclusive, and west of and adjoining the west line of lots 387 to 397, both inclusive, of last mentioned subn.; Also, all of east-west public alley, 20 ft. wide, north of Pembroke Avenue, between Gilchrist and Biltmore Aves., as platted in said Madison Park Subn., lying north of and adjoining the north line of lots 374 to 386, both inclusive, south of and adjoining the south line of lots 373 and 387, and south of and adjoining the south line of the north-south public alley hereinabove described, (Petition No. 5986);

Also, all that part of north-south public alley, 18 ft. wide, in block bounded by Stahelin, Brace, Orangelawn and Fitzpatrick Aves., as platted in Emerson Park Subn. as recorded in Liber 55 of plats, Page 45, Wayne County Records, lying west of and adjoining the west line of lots 665 to 679, both inclusive, east of and adjoining the east line of lots 600 to 613, both inclusive, and east of and adjoining the east line of the south 25 ft. of lot 599, of last mentioned subdivision, (Petn. No. 7588);

Also, all of north-south public alley, 18 ft. wide, in block bounded by Burt, Pierson, Orangelawn and Elmira Aves., as platted in Youman's Rouge Park Subdivision as recorded in Liber 55 of plats, Page 91, Wayne County Records, and in Western Rouge Park Subn., as recorded in Liber 55 of plats, Page 93, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 1 to 5, both inclusive, of last mentioned subn., west of and adjoining the west line of lots 52 to 56, both inclusive, of last mentioned subn., east of and adjoining the east line of lots 30 to 40, both inclusive, of said Youman's Rouge Park Subn., and west of and adjoining the west line of lots 41 to 51, both inclusive, of said Youman's Rouge Park Subn., (Petition No. 7753);

Also, all that part of east-west public alley, 18 ft. wide, south of Seven Mile Rd. and east of Indiana Ave., as platted in Chester Heights Subn. as recorded in Liber 42 of plats, Page 49, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lots 295, 296, and

the west 11 ft. of lot 294, and north of and adjoining the north line of the east 91 ft. of lot 168 of last mentioned subdivision, (Petition No. 8626);

Also, all of east-west public alley, 20 ft. wide, north of Pembroke Ave. and east of Cooley Ave., as platted in Herbert J. Wilson's Lahser Homes Subn., as recorded in Liber 54 of plats, Page 17, Wayne County Records, lying north of and adjoining the north line of lots 11, 12 and 13, and south of and adjoining the south line of lot 14, of last mentioned subdivision, (Petition No. 8890);

Be and the same are vacated as public alleys and are hereby converted into public easements of the full width of the alley, which easements shall be subject to the following covenants, agreements, 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 and egress at any time to and over said easement for the purposes above set forth;

Second, said owners for their heirs and assigns agree that no buildings or structures of any nature whatsoever (except necessary line fences) shall be built or placed upon said easements, unless permission therefor is obtained from the City Engineer;

Third, that if at any time in the future the owners of any lots abutting on said vacated alleys shall request the removal and/or relocation of any existing poles or other utilities in said easement, such owners upon whose property the poles or other utilities are located shall pay all costs incident to such removal and/or relocation, unless such charges are waived by the utility owners.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

April 15, 1952.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of the Fort Investment Company and Service Coal Company (No. 7748), requesting the vaca-

tion of the 16 ft. north-south public alley south of Lyndon Avenue and west of Birwood Avenue. The vacation of said alley was approved by the City Plan Commission and the petition was referred to this office by your Committee of the Whole for investigation and report.

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 will be unaffected by the vacation of said alley.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That all of north-south public alley, 16 ft. wide, south of Lyndon Avenue and West of Birwood Avenue, the west 1/2 of which was platted in Granver Park Subn. as recorded in Liber 33 of plats, Page 66, Wayne County Records, and the east 1/2 of which was platted in Wark-Gilbert Co.'s Orchard Grove Subn. as recorded in Liber 41 of plats, Page 22, Wayne County Records, lying west of and adjoining the west line of Outlot No. 1 of 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 Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

April 14, 1952.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The paving petitions listed below, which were referred to this office for report, are majority petitions upon which a 25% prepayment has been made.

It is recommended that the petitions be granted, and that one course concrete paving be authorized in accordance with the attached resolution.

Desner—St. Louis to Mt. Elliott, 26 feet.

Grayton—Beaconsfield to Wayburn, 30 feet.

Grayton—McKinney to Beaconsfield, 30 feet.

Desner—Mound to St. Louis, 26 feet.

E & W Alley bounded by Conant, Fenelon, Talbot, Eldridge, 18 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the paving recommended in the foregoing communication be and is hereby declared nec-

essary; that paving be done with the material and to the width recommended; and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby directed to advertise for proposals.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

April 14, 1952.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The paving petitions listed below, which were referred to this office for report, are majority petitions upon which no prepayment has been made.

Existing Charter limitations on Forced Paving will not permit prompt processing of the hundreds of petitions in circulation during the fiscal year, thereby seriously delaying or curtailing a very essential public service.

It is therefore recommended that your Honorable Body invoke the waiver clause in the Special Assessment Ordinance, providing for a 25% prepayment and tax history. This action, if taken, will remove this group from the Forced Paving category and permit the work to proceed. The suggested procedure has the approval of the Corporation Counsel.

It is further recommended that these streets be paved with one course concrete, in accordance with the attached resolution.

Parkland—Rockdale to Tireman, 30 feet.

Berden—Bluehill to Guilford, 30 feet.

Mendota—Pilgrim to Puritan, 30 feet.

Brace—Kirkwood to Paul, 26 feet.

Archdale—Vassar to St. Martins, 30 feet.

Penrod—Kirkwood to Paul, 26 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Acting Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the paving recommended in the foregoing communication be and is hereby declared a necessity, and that pursuant to Section 4, Chapter 56 of the Compiled Ordinances of 1945, an emergency exists affecting the peace, health and safety of the people of the City, and further that the paving be constructed with the material and to the width recommended; and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for doing the work.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Garlick, Kronk, Oakman, Rogell,