

Property Office up to the date of July 23, 1953. A total cash balance of \$103,310.24 was approved by the Police Department, the City Controller's Office, and the Office of the Auditor General. This balance does not include the following six items totaling \$362.49, disposition of which could not be accounted for.

10-31-32 .....	\$ 2.90
9-13-34 .....	2.45
7-13-42 .....	329.64
7-7-49 .....	2.00
12-20-50 .....	.50
9-25-51 .....	25.00
Total .....	\$362.49

Two separate inventories have been taken by the Property and Accounting Offices in an effort to find the disposition of these items, but they have been unsuccessful up to the present time.

After a review of all factors concerning the custody of these six evidence parcels and the procedure which was then in effect for recording entry, receipt and final disposition of property, I am of the opinion these items have remained open on the property office register due to mechanical errors on the part of the Property Office in not obtaining proper releases from the officers handling the criminal cases. During the past year, various procedural changes have been made which I think will greatly diminish the chances for future errors.

Therefore, in order that the approved balance of \$103,310.24, as of July 23, 1953, may serve as an accurate base for future audits of cash held by the Property Bureau, I respectfully request that your Honorable Body give approval to the Police Department to charge off \$362.49 which is the total sum of these six items.

Respectfully submitted,  
DOUGLAS R. GINN,  
Deputy Commissioner.

Auditor General  
May 19, 1954.

Honorable Common Council:  
Gentlemen—The Committee of the Whole of the Common Council referred to the writer a communication from the Police Department which requested a write-off of \$362.49 of unaccounted-for evidence money. Your Honorable Body also requested that we report to it on this subject with recommendation.

On May 5, 1954 we filed with Your Honorable Body our report of audit of the Police Department and pointed out in this report the condition of missing evidence money as shown by the records.

Since the establishment of this office in 1937, we have been refused permission to count evidence money by the Prosecutor's Office.

After a conference with the Chief Assistant Prosecutor, a representative of the Police Department and the writer in 1953, the Chief Assistant Prosecutor approved a procedure whereby we might observe and tabulate a physical count made by police employees.

We followed this procedure during the course of this 1953 audit and found \$362.49 of unaccounted items as set forth in our report of this audit, filed with Your Honorable Body. We could not determine the circumstances causing this condition nor could responsibility be fixed.

We concur in the request of the Police Department and recommend the write-off of \$362.49 of unaccounted-for evidence money.

Respectfully submitted,  
BENJAMIN J. TOBIN,  
Auditor General.

Controller  
May 21, 1954.

Re: Police Department request to write off \$362.49, six items, property room

Honorable Common Council:  
Gentlemen—The attached papers are returned together with the recommendation from this office that the six items referred to be charged off and removed from the records in accordance with the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. H. WITHERSPOON, Controller.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:  
Resolved, That the Police Department be and they are hereby authorized to charge off their property room records, six items listed in their communication as follows:

October 31, 1932 .....	\$ 2.90
September 13, 1934 .....	2.45
July 13, 1942 .....	329.64
July 7, 1949 .....	2.00
December 20, 1950 .....	.50
September 25, 1951 .....	25.00
	\$362.49

Adopted as follows:  
Yeas—Councilmen Connor, Rogell, Smith, Wise, Youngblood, and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—6.  
Nays—None.

Department of Public Works  
May 18, 1954.

Honorable Common Council:  
Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole referred to this office for investigation and report the petitions requesting the conversion into easements of the alleys described in the attached resolution.

The conversion of the 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,

CARL D. WARNER,

Commissioner.

By Councilman Rogell:

Resolved, That all of the north-south public alley 20 feet wide in block bounded by Southfield Road, Fenmore, Fargo and Trojan Avenues, as platted in Madison Park Subdivision as recorded in Liber 53, Page 12 of plats, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 1 to 28 both inclusive, west of and adjoining the west line of lots 74 to 86 both inclusive, west of and adjoining the west line of the north 20 feet of lot 73, and west of and adjoining the west line of the south 20 feet of lot 87 all of the above mentioned subdivision. (John A. Rinehart et al, 7167.)

Also, all of the north-south public alley 18 feet wide in block bounded by Faust, Glastonbury, Fargo, and Trojan Avenues, as platted in Geo. W. Renchards Collegedale Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 53, Page 3 of plats, Wayne County Records, lying west of and adjoining the west line of lots 216 to 230 both inclusive and east of and adjoining the east line of lots 264 to 278 both inclusive of the last mentioned subdivision. (Frank W. Harris et al, 7684.)

Be and the same are vacated as public alleys and are hereby converted into public easements of the full width of the alleys, 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 easements 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, 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 easements, 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 Connor, Rogell, Smith, Wise, Youngblood, and President Pro Tem Van Antwerp—6.

Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

May 19, 1954.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—In response to published advertisements bids were received on May 18, 1954 for paving concrete sidewalks and driveways, Group SW 54-2. A tabulation of the bids received on each of the two Contracts in this group is attached hereto.

The following Contracts were included in Group SW 54-2:

PW-2315—PW, Bounded by Schoolcraft; Ewald Circle; Fullerton; Livernois; and Cloverlawn.

PW-2316—QW, Bounded by Schoolcraft; Fullerton; Cloverlawn; and Meyers Road.

The low bid on each Contract was submitted by J. J. Barney and the proposals were regular in all respects and in accordance with the Contract requirements. It is, therefore, recommended that both Contracts be awarded to J. J. Barney in the following amounts:

To J. J. Barney, PW-2315, bid \$60,213.13, funds required \$65,250.00; PW-2316, bid \$59,047.31, funds required \$62,000.00.

The total funds required include the cost of advertising, inspection, and minor contingencies, as well as the Contract cost. Funds are available in Account No. 918-2143-303.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL D. WARNER,

Commissioner.

By Councilman Smith:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into Contracts for the paving of concrete sidewalks and driveways for Contracts PW-2315 and PW-2316, with J. J. Barney as recommended in the fore-