

Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—9.

Nays—None.

Corporation Counsel

February 3, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

In the matter of vacation of public alleys, etc., Wayne Circuit Court Nos. 279,377-378-380.

Gentlemen—This is to inform your Honorable Body that on February 1, 1955 Orders were signed by Hon. Chester P. O'Hara, Circuit Judge, vacating alleys listed below:

Bounded by Braille, Patton, Keeler and Midland Avenues. Common Council Petition 6097.

Bounded by Glastonbury, Rosemont Roads, Fargo and Trojan Avenues. Common Council Petition 6182.

Bounded by Chatham, Lamphere, Lyndon Avenues and Wanamaker Place.

The Orders provide that public easements for public utility purposes be retained in the lands formerly comprising the alleys.

We submit herewith, for your consideration, a resolution directing the City Clerk to record the attached true copies of the Orders with the Wayne County Register of Deeds, pursuant to the Orders of the Court.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT REESE,

Asst. Corp. Counsel.

By Councilman Wise:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to record the attached Orders within 30 days of the date hereof, vacating public alleys located in the City of Detroit and bounded by Braille, Patton, Keeler and Midland Avenues; Glastonbury, Rosemont Roads, Fargo and Trojan Avenues; Chatham, Lamphere, Lyndon Avenues and Wanamaker Place; and convert the same to public easements for public utility purposes, in accordance with the foregoing communication from the Corporation Counsel.

Approved:

P. T. DWYER, Corp. Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—9.

Nays—None.

Corporation Counsel

February 2, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—The Detroit Police Department was contacted by the United States Corps of Army Engineers regarding a collision in the Rouge River between two vessels — the steamer Meyers and the tanker Blue Comet. They requested the Police Department to secure from your Honorable Body

an Ordinance to regulate traffic on the Rouge River, comparable to an Ordinance enacted by the City of Cleveland which regulates traffic on the Cuyahoga River.

A meeting was held with representatives of the Corps of Army Engineers, Coast Guard, the ship owners and the Fire and Police Departments. A discussion was held as to regulations on the Rouge River and because of the diversity of jurisdiction—the Rouge River lying within the Cities of River Rouge, Dearborn and Detroit, the Corps of Army Engineers were advised that it would be impossible to enact an Ordinance such as was enacted by the City of Cleveland. The Corps of Army Engineers gave us to understand that if we would ask for regulations governing the movement of vessels in the Rouge River, they personally would carry through and see that such regulations were put into effect.

In accordance therewith, I have prepared a resolution for your Honorable Body to consider, wherein the Corps of U. S. Army Engineers is requested to secure adequate regulations for the movement of vessels in the Rouge River.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE E. EATON,

Asst. Corp. Counsel.

Approved:

P. T. DWYER, Corp. Counsel.

By Councilman Wise:

Whereas, There is a lack of adequate regulation governing the movement of vessels entering or leaving the Rouge River; and

Whereas, Collisions have occurred therein between vessels by reason of the narrow navigable channel; Now, Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the United States Corps of Army Engineers is requested to seek adequate Federal regulations for movement of vessels in the Rouge River, and that any movement of vessels within the Rouge River be prohibited until a security call is made, and that vessels be prohibited from passing each other while proceeding in the same direction, or in the opposite direction, when to do so would be dangerous; and Be It Further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be mailed to the Corps of Army Engineers.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—9.

Nays—None.

Corporation Counsel

February 4, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—In the course of processing alley vacations through Cir-