

**Memorial Hall Commission**

November 10, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—Contract MH-23-A2 is for the Henry & Edsel Ford Superstructure, O. W. Burke Co. in the contractor.

At the time the contract was awarded it was deemed advisable to withhold the conduits and connections for future installation of television equipment until the latest innovations in such equipment had been developed and the requirements determined.

The contractor is now ready to proceed on this work, and the architects have presented their recommendations for this facility which will provide the advancements developed since awarding the contract.

The work involved in providing the necessary conduits and connections consists of seven items, and the contractor has submitted not to exceed the sum of \$5747.26, subject to revisions after the work is completed and actual costs are determined. This cost has been reviewed by the City Engineer and the architects and found to be fair and reasonable for the work involved.

It is respectfully requested that this additional work be added as an extra to existing Contract MH-23-A2.

Respectfully submitted,  
WELD S. MAYBEE,

Director.

Approved:

E. P. RIEHL, Dep. Controller.  
M. F. WAGNITZ, City Engineer.

By Councilman Smith:

Resolved, That the work involved in providing necessary conduits and connections for future installation of television equipment for the Henry & Edsel Ford Auditorium be added as an extra to Contract MH-23-A2, in an amount not to exceed \$5,747.26, in accordance with the foregoing communication; and be it further

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to honor vouchers when presented covering this additional cost.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—8.  
Nays—None.

**Department of Public Works**

November 2, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—By resolution of October 22, 1955, in connection with the rezoning and sale of property at the so-called Holy Redeemer Stadium site, your Honorable Body requested that the Department of Public Works submit an immediate report relative to the paving of St. John Avenue between Trenton and Lonyo.

Several years ago when this property was allocated for Parks and Recreation

property on the north, and to the stadium site on the south, your Honorable Body allocated a strip of land 60 feet wide for street purposes separating the two properties.

So far, there has been no action taken towards paving this strip due to the fact that the changing of the zoning in the strip to the south and the future developments here are as yet unknown.

We notice in the same proceedings that the Streets and Traffic Department have been requested to make a survey and report as to the traffic conditions in this neighborhood, and they will, no doubt, make certain recommendations as to the use of this new St. John Avenue.

We will watch closely for the result of this report and, at that time, make suitable recommendations to your Honorable Body as to the paving of the street, if such is required.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works and City Controller be and they are hereby authorized and directed to include an item in the 1956-57 budget for the paving of St. John ave. between Trenton and Lonyo aves.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—8.  
Nays—None.

**Department of Public Works**

November 7, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petitions of Aurora Gasoline Company and the Keystone Oil Refining Company, (604 and 4268), requesting the vacation of Detwiler Avenue, between Fort Street and Dumfries Avenue, a portion of Greyfriars Avenue, south of Detwiler Avenue, and the east-west public alleys first north and south of Toronto Avenue, between Greyfriars and Dumfries Avenue. The vacation of said streets and alleys was approved by the City Plan Commission with the recommendation that the petitioners deed sufficient land for an alley turn-around south of the portion of Greyfriars Avenue to be vacated. The petition was then referred to this office by your Committee of the Whole for investigation and report.

We wish to advise that our investigations are completed.

The petitioners deposited with the City Treasurer the amount of \$4,240.23, Receipt No. 15217, to be credited to the Department of Water Supply, Fund Code No. 601-9400-0-6290-908, said amount being the cost of abandoning and rerouting water mains and to relocate two fire hydrants neces-

sitated by the vacation of the above mentioned streets and alleys.

The petitioners also deposited with the Permit Division of the Department of Public Works the sum of \$1,350.00, Receipt No. 69082, said amount being the estimated cost of removing paved return and constructing straight curb and sidewalk at the intersection of Fort Street and Detwiler Avenue.

A proper provision is incorporated into the vacating resolution protecting the City's interests in the sewers located in the alleys to be vacated.

We are in receipt of a Warranty Deed from the Aurora Gasoline Company, to the City of Detroit deeding land for alley turn-around purposes in accordance with the City Plan Commission's recommendations. Said deed was approved as to form and execution by the Corporation Counsel and as to description by the City Engineer and it is attached hereto for your Honorable Body's acceptance.

All other City departments and privately owned utility companies reported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said streets and alleys or that they have reached satisfactory agreements with the petitioners regarding their installations therein.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That all of Detwiler Avenue 50 feet wide between Fort Street and Dumfries Avenue as platted in Oakwood Homes Subdivision of part of P.C.'s 119 and 524 Oakwood Village, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 34, Page 26 of Plats, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lots 142 to 157 both inclusive, south of and adjoining the south line of vacated Greyfriars Avenue, 60 feet wide, south of and adjoining the south line of lots 131 to 141 both inclusive, south of and adjoining the south line of the west 12.62 feet of lot 130, north of and adjoining the north line of lots 158 to 173 both inclusive, north of and adjoining the north line of Greyfriars Avenue, 60 feet wide, north of and adjoining the north line of lots 174 to 184 both inclusive, and north of and adjoining the north line of the west 12.62 feet of lot 185 all of the last mentioned subdivision.

Also, all of Greyfriars Avenue, 60 feet wide, south of Detwiler Avenue, as platted in the above mentioned Oakwood Homes Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 34, Page 26 of Plats, Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of lot 173, and west of and adjoining the west line of lot 174 of the above mentioned subdivision.

Also, all of the east-west public alley 20 feet wide in the block bounded by

Greyfriars, Dumfries, Toronto, and Detwiler Avenues, as platted in the above mentioned Oakwood Homes Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 34, Page 26, of Plats, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lots 158 to 173, both inclusive, and north of and adjoining the north line of lots 198 to 213, both inclusive of the last mentioned subdivision.

Also, all of the east-west public alley 20 feet wide, south of Toronto Avenue, between Dumfries and Greyfriars Avenues, the south 11 feet of which was acquired by the City of Detroit through condemnation proceedings, and the north 9 feet of which was platted in the above mentioned Oakwood Homes Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 34, Page 26, of Plats, Wayne County Records, lying south of and adjoining the south line of lots 214 to 229, both inclusive of the last mentioned subdivision.

Be and the same are hereby vacated as public streets and alleys to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property subject to the following provisions:

1) Provided, That by reason of the vacation of the above described alley the City of Detroit does not waive any rights to the sewers located therein and at all times shall have the right to enter upon the premises, if found necessary, on account of said sewers to repair, alter, or service same: and further

2) Provided, That if a building is to be constructed over said sewers, the sewers shall be replaced with cast iron pipe of the same size, rerouted or encased in 6 inches of Class A concrete, or in lieu of the above, such work shall be done as will be specified by the City Engineer, all of the work mentioned to be done under the supervision and inspection of the Department of Public Works and all costs entailed to be borne by the petitioners, their successors, or assigns: and further

3) Provided, That no buildings shall be constructed over said sewers without the prior approval of such building construction by the City Engineer and the Department of Buildings and Safety Engineering; and further

4) Provided, In the event that the sewers located in said alleys, if built upon, shall break causing damage to any construction above, the petitioners and its assigns, by acceptance of the permit for building over said sewers, waive all claims for damages to such construction and agree to pay all costs incident to the repair of such broken sewers; and further

Resolved, That Warranty Deed of Aurora Gasoline Company, a Michigan Corporation to the City of Detroit deeding land for alley turn-around purposes, said land being described as "The north 30 feet of Lot 197, Oak-

wood Homes Subdivision of part of Private Claims 119 and 524, Oakwood Village, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 34, Page 26 of Plats, Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby accepted and the City Controller be and he is hereby directed to record said deed in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wayne County.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—8.  
Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

November 4, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—This is to certify that all paving work required of the Contractors in the performance of these Contracts has been fully completed and found acceptable under the terms and conditions thereof, and that the total value of such completed work, including all Contract Changes duly issued, is that stated below as the Adjusted Contract Price.

The Contractors have submitted affidavits that all payrolls, material bills, and all other indebtedness incurred by them in connection with the work have been paid.

It is therefore recommended that the total value of the work, as stated below be paid to the Contractors with the understanding that such payments are made by the City and accepted by the Contractors under the Contract provisions covering final payment.

PW-2524P, Grove, Lindsay to St. Marys, Julius Porath & Son Company, Adjusted Contract Price, \$20,949.95.

PW-2531W, Greendale, Eaton to Outer Drive, Julius Porath & Son Company, Adjusted Contract Price, \$10,318.70.

PW-2555W, Cherokee, Norfolk to Berg, Julius Porath & Son Company, Adjusted Contract Price, \$17,093.06.

PW-2556W, Faust, Greenview to Outer Drive, Julius Porath & Son Company, Adjusted Contract Price, \$17,891.10.

PW-2560W, Chippewa, Berg to McIntyre, The Cooke Contracting Company, Adjusted Contract Price, \$17,730.30.

PW-2668P, Lantz, Ryan to Healy, G. Toccalino & Sons, Adjusted Contract Price, \$27,812.68.

JOHN S. PERCIVAL,  
Engineer of Tests & Inspection.

M. F. WAGNITZ,  
City Engineer.

GLENN C. RICHARDS,  
Commissioner.

By Councilman Connor:

Whereas, From the foregoing communication, it appears that all work required to be performed by the Contractors under the contracts therein named has been fully completed; and Whereas, The completed work has been found acceptable under the terms and conditions of said contracts

by the Department of Public Works; therefore be it

Resolved, That the said contracts be and are hereby accepted.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—8.  
Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

November 8, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—Submitted herewith for confirmation are contracts entered into as authorized and directed by your formal proceedings dated 10-11-55:

PL-14, Boiler Feed-Water Treatment System, Structure L. J. Schrenk Heating Plant, R. Stewart Co.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. F. WAGNITZ,  
City Engineer.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That contracts as listed in the foregoing communication be and the same are hereby confirmed.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, Youngblood, and President Miriani—8.  
Nays—None.

#### Department of Public Works

November 7, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee of the Whole again referred to this office for investigation and report the petitions of Ralph Volpe (No. 4668) and Lawrence C. Inman, Jr. (No. 4471), requesting permission to maintain garage encroachments on the easements in the rear of their respective properties.

There is a six foot easement in the rear of Mr. Volpe's lot for utility purposes. Poles, wires and a sewer are located at approximately the center of a twelve foot easement, placing the utilities approximately 18 inches from Mr. Volpe's garage, said garage encroaching 4 feet onto the easement.

In Mr. Inman's case, there is likewise a 6 foot easement at the side and rear of his lot. The garage encroaches 4½ feet into the easement. Among the utilities located at approximately the center of the easement is a 20 inch lateral sewer, placing the garage wall approximately 14 inches south of the sewer.

In the event it becomes necessary to repair the sewers or to repair or replace the poles and wires located in the easement, we feel the departments affected would be considerably hampered by the encroaching buildings.

The resolution adopted by your Honorable Body on November 16, 1954 reserves discretionary powers in matters peculiar to these petitions to your