

take the necessary steps to have the building vacated, within the legally prescribed period.

It is further requested that your Honorable Body authorize the demolition of this building immediately it becomes vacant and available.

Respectfully submitted,
WELD S. MAYBEE,
Director.

Approved:
E. P. RIEHL, Deputy Controller.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:
Resolved, That the Real Estate Bureau of the Office of the Corporation Counsel be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to have the building at 143 Woodward Avenue vacated, as outlined in the foregoing communication, and be it further

Resolved, That the Memorial Hall Commission be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to demolish the building, as soon as it is vacated.

Adopted as follows:

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

Parks and Recreation

October 19, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—In response to your directive we have conferred with the City Controller on our Dutch elm disease program and financing thereof. After a detailed analysis we have arrived at a mutually satisfactory arrangement which will enable us to substantially carry out the program previously outlined to your Honorable Body. The Controller will restore to our accounts the \$300,000.00 of forced savings allocated to this department and with your permission we will transfer this amount to the proper accounts in order to purchase equipment, spray material supplies, labor, etc. to carry out the program.

Will your Honorable Body kindly authorize the City Controller to amend the salary classification section of our Memo Salaries and Wages accounts to include the title of Assistant Forester at the official compensation schedule rate, and further to transfer funds as follows:

From Accounts:

- 116-5211-111, Salaries, \$6,000.00.
- 116-5211-113, Salaries—Memo, \$1,500.00.
- 116-5213-111, Salaries, \$850.00.
- 116-5220-111, Salaries, \$42,750.00.
- 116-5220-113, Salaries—Memo, \$21,750.00.
- 116-5220-121, Wages, \$66,000.00.
- 116-5220-364, Use of School Buildings, \$12,000.00.
- 116-5231-122, Wages—Operation, \$10,500.00.
- 116-5233-123, Wages—Maintenance, \$1,000.00.

116-5233-501 — Equipment Replacements, \$3,200.00.

116-5241-111, Salaries, \$13,150.00.
116-5241-113, Salaries—Memo, \$2,000.00.

116-5241-121, Wages, \$13,100.00.
116-5242-121, Wages, \$50,000.00.
116-5250-121, Wages, \$50,000.00.
116-5250-301, Supplies and Expense, \$2,000.00.

116-5250-305, Repairs and Replacements, \$1,000.00.

116-5250-326, Fertilizer, \$1,000.00.
116-5331-121, Wages, \$2,200.00.
Total—\$300,000.00.

To Accounts:

116-5211-350, Printing, \$500.00.
116-5241-121, Wages, \$2,250.00.
116-5241-321, Maintenance of Equipment, \$2,000.00.

116-5242-501, Equipment Replacements, \$10,000.00.

116-5250-113, Salaries—Memo, \$11,500.00.

116-5250-121, Wages, \$61,350.00.
116-5250-372, Dutch elm Disease Control, \$122,500.00.

116-5290-822, Maintenance Equipment, \$52,400.00.

Sub.Total—\$262,500.00.

115-9029-839, Parks and Recreation—

1 Ton Pickup (15), \$18,000.00.
4 Ton Truck-Tractor, 5 Man Cab and 10 Ton Traller (3), \$19,500.00.

Total (Pickup and Truck-Tractor), \$37,500.00.

Total—\$300,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. CONSIDINE, Gen. Supt.

Approved:

VANCE G. INGALLS,
Acting Corporation Counsel.
J. H. WITHERSPOON,
City Controller.

E. P. RIEHL, Deputy Controller.

Classification Approved:

Civil Service Commission
DONALD J. SUBLETTE,
Secy. and Chief Examiner.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funds and honor payrolls and vouchers when presented in accordance with the foregoing communication, and be it further

Resolved, That the Memo Salaries and Wages section of the Department of Parks and Recreation Budget be amended to include the title of Assistant Forester at the rate of \$4,942 to \$5,291 per annum.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and Youngblood—8.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

October 17, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of the Coleman

Land Co., and Elmro Realty Corp., (No. 5566), requesting the vacation of the north-south public alley and a portion of east-west public alley in the block bounded by Rondo, Gratiot, Fordham Avenues, and Seven Mile Road. The vacation of the alley was approved by the City Plan Commission, with the recommendation that the petitioner deed sufficient land to widen the remaining "L" alley to a width of 25 feet to facilitate the flow of traffic. 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. They disclose that the following City departments are affected by the vacation of said alley:

Public Lighting Commission: The petitioner deposited the sum of \$775.00 with the City Treasurer, Receipt No. B18129 credited to Public Lighting Commission Fund Code No. 990-9423, to cover the cost of rerouting P.L.C. facilities and to make the changes necessitated by the vacation.

Fire Department: The petitioner deposited the sum of \$450.00 with the City Treasurer, Receipt No. B18130, credited to Fire Department Fund Code No. 160-9440-0, to cover the cost of relocating existing communication lines in the alley to be vacated.

Police Department: The sum of \$305.00 was deposited with the City Treasurer, Receipt No. B18132, credited to the Police Department Fund Code No. 118-9440-1, to cover the cost of rerouting signal wires.

Department of Public Works: On October 14, 1955 the petitioner paid into the City Treasury the sum of \$229.68, Receipt No. B18131, credited to Public Works Maintenance Fund Code No. 143-6221-1, to reimburse the City for the original cost of paving the south 1/2 of Seven Mile Road at the intersection of the alley to be vacated.

The petitioner also deposited with the Permit Division of the Department of Public Works the sum of \$950.00, Receipt No. 68594, said amount being the estimated cost of removing the paved return at the entrance to the alley to be vacated, constructing straight curb and sidewalk, and to stone and grade the portion of alley deeded for widening.

We are in receipt of a Warranty Deed whereby petitioner dedicates land to be used for alley purposes in accordance with the City Plan Commission's recommendation. 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.

A proper provision is incorporated into the vacating resolution protect-

ing the City's interests in the sewer located in the alley to be vacated.

All other City departments and privately owned utility companies reported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said alley 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 Beck:

Resolved, That all that part of north-south public alley 18 feet wide west of Gratiot Avenue, south of Seven Mile Road, as platted in Schmitz Subdivision of part of the N. 1/2 of the N. 1/2 of the N.W. 1/4 of Section 12, T. 1 S., R. 12 E., Gratiot Township, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 38, Page 65 of Plats Wayne County Records, lying east of and adjoining the east line of Lot 6 of the last mentioned subdivision.

Also, all that part of east-west public alley 25 feet wide, west of Gratiot Avenue, between Seven Mile Road and Fordham Avenue, lying between the east line extended northerly of 20 ft. north-south public alley deeded to the City of Detroit on October 7, 1941, J.C.C. Page 2889, and the west line extended southwesterly of Lot 5 of the above mentioned Schmitz Subdivision, be and the same are hereby vacated as public 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 sewer; and further

Resolved, That Warranty Deed of Elmiro Realty Corporation, a Michigan Corporation to the City of Detroit a Municipal Corporation deeding land for alley purposes, said land being described as "The north 5 feet of Lots 17 to 24 both inclusive of Pfent Estate Subdivision, as recorded in L. 62, P. 59 of Plats, Wayne County Records, also the east 5 feet of Lot 24 of said Pfent Estate Subdivision, also that part of Lot 24 of said Pfent Estate Subdivision described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of the east 5 feet of said Lot 24, said point being distant S. 6d 38m 30s W., 5 feet from the North line of said Lot 24; thence S. 6d 38m 30s W., 10 feet; thence N.W.ly to a point on the South line of the North 5 feet of said Lot 24, which point is distant N. 83d 54m 30s W., 15 feet from the east line of Lot 24, thence along the south line of the north 5 feet of Lot 24, S. 83d 54m 30s E., 10 feet to the point of beginning," 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, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and Youngblood—8.
Nays—None.

Reconsideration

Councilman Connor 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, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and Youngblood—8.
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
October 17, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:
Gentlemen—Submitted herewith for confirmation are contracts entered into as authorized and directed by your formal proceedings dated 9-27-55: PW-2149, First - Hamilton Relief

Sewer Section Three, Michigan Sewer Construction Company.

Respectfully submitted,
GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Beck:

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

Adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and Youngblood—8.
Nays—None.

Department of Public Works
October 19, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:
Gentlemen—In 1951, sidewalk construction work was done in the amount of \$1,170.74 at 310 East Jefferson on Sidewalk Notice No. 134154. This property is listed in the name of the Veteran's Administration, 310 East Jefferson, Detroit 26, Michigan.

This bill has remained unpaid since May 5, 1951. Attempts at collection by our Corporation Counsel's Office have been unsuccessful through the years, and it is their recommendation that the bill be declared uncollectible and cancelled.

We therefore request the adoption of the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
NEAL CUTLIFF,
Secretary.

By Councilman Smith:
Resolved, That Sidewalk Bill No. 30975 in the amount of \$1,170.74, issued to the Veteran's Administration, be hereby cancelled.

Adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and Youngblood—8.
Nays—None.

Department of Public Works
October 17, 1955.

Honorable Common Council:
Gentlemen—Contract PW-2541PF is for the paving of Eaton from the east property line of Westwood to 17.2 feet east of the west property line of Glastonbury. Ministrelli Brothers is the Contractor. The total amount of the accepted proposal was \$23,194.10, of which \$16,234.90 was in the Assessment Portion and \$6,959.20 was in the City Intersection Portion.

The distribution of the construction costs was later changed by the Board of Assessors in the Assessment Roll with \$6,766.59 for the Assessment Portion, and \$16,427.51 for the City Intersection Portion.

Under the provisions of the resolution authorizing the Contract, any additions or deductions in the Assessment Portion exceeding 1 percent must be approved by the Common Council before the adjustment of the