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Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise,  
and President Miriani—7.  
Nays—None.

**Corporation Counsel**

June 5, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—Recently the Michigan-Wisconsin Pipe Line Company filed proposed tariff changes with the Federal Power Commission in which they seek to increase the price of natural gas. The price currently in effect is 32.98c per Mcf but it is in effect under bond and subject to refund if found to be unreasonably high in the rate case presently before the Commission in Docket G-8511. The most recent filing proposes a rate of 35.75c per Mcf.

Michigan-Wisconsin seeks to justify the proposed increase on the grounds that its operating costs have increased due to wage adjustments, increased costs of gas from the new American-Louisiana pipe line and its need for a higher rate of return from 6% to 6¼%, due to increased costs of money.

Inasmuch as the proposed increase, if allowed by the Federal Power Commission, will cost the consumers of natural gas in the Detroit area approximately \$2,000,000 annually, we request permission to intervene in the proceedings, in order that the City's as well as the consumers' interests will be more fully protected.

If this meets with your approval, the attached resolution is submitted for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL T. DWYER,

Corporation Counsel.

By Councilman Beck:

Whereas, The Michigan-Wisconsin Pipe Line Company is seeking a rate increase before the Federal Power Commission which will have an appreciable impact on the costs to consumers in the City of Detroit; and

Whereas, We deem it in the best interests of the City to afford the ultimate consumer of natural gas all the protection possible against unjust or unreasonable rates for gas; Now, Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be, and he hereby is authorized to intervene in the proceedings before the Federal Power Commission involving the proposed rate increase by Michigan-Wisconsin Pipe Line Company.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and President Miriani—7.

Nays—None.

**Corporation Counsel**

June 4, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—This is to inform your Honorable Body that on May 24, 1956,

an Order was entered by Hon. Joseph A. Moynihan, Circuit Judge, in Case No. 285,580, Wayne Circuit Court, vacating the public alley in the block bounded by Norwood, Yonka, Remington and Winchester Avenues. (Common Council Petition 6168).

The Order provides that a public easement for public utility purposes be retained in the lands formerly comprising the alley.

We submit herewith a resolution directing the City Clerk to record the attached true copy of the Order with the Wayne County Register of Deeds.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED SAWAYA,

Asst. Corp. Counsel.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to record the Order vacating public alley, in the office of the Wayne County Register of Deeds, within 30 days from the date hereof, in accordance with the foregoing communication from the Corporation Counsel.

Approved as to form:

P. T. DWYER, Corp. Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and President Miriani—7.

Nays—None.

**Corporation Counsel**

June 4, 1956.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—In response to published advertisements, the City Engineer on behalf of the Corporation Counsel's Office received bids on May 29, 1956 for the Demolition of Buildings at 2944 E. Congress, Contract CCs-7. A tabulation of the bids received is attached hereto.

The low bid is regular in all respects, within the City Engineer's estimate, and is in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

It is the recommendation of the City Engineer, in which we concur, that the Contract be awarded to U. S. Wreckers in the amount of \$589.00.

In addition to the Contract costs, it is estimated that the sum of \$411.00 will be necessary to cover the cost of advertising, inspection, and minor contingencies, making the total \$1,000.00.

Funds are available in Account No. 166-9050-301 to cover the Contract amount and the estimated additional cost.

Respectfully submitted,

P. T. DWYER,

Corporation Counsel.

Recommended:

CLYDE L. PALMER,

Asst. City Engineer.

By Councilman Connor:

Resolved, That the Corporation