45 concerts to be presented during gible as our professional staff will June. July and August 1957 June, July and August, 1957.

(b) Services of a band for 20 concerts to be presented during June and July, 1957.

(c) Services of a band for 15 concerts to be presented during June and July, 1957. Twenty-five additional concerts are to be presented by this band during July and August, 1957 without cost to the City of Detroit.

(d) Expenses of conducting City of Detroit Vocal Auditions.

Funds have been appropriated for these services in account 116-5235-368 in the 1957-58 appropriations.

(2) With Detroit Symphony chestra, Inc. for \$22,500.00 for the services of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra for nine symphony concerts to be presented during August and September, 1957.

Funds have been appropriated for these services in account 116-5235-369 in the 1957-58 appropriations.

Respectfully submitted, J. J. CONSIDINE, General Superintendent.

By Councilman Rogell

Resolved, That the Parks and Recreation Commission be and it is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts with Detroit Federation of Musicians, Local No. 5, A. F. of M., Inc.; with concert bands and for vo-cal auditions, and with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Inc., in accordance with the foregoing communication.

Adopted as follows:

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

Parks and Recreation

May 2, 1957.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen - The Department of Parks and Recreation respectfully requests permission to use the first floor of a vacant frame house located in Rouge Park at West Chicago and Outer Drive for a nature museum.

The purpose of the museum is to further instruct the children of Detroit on the wonders of nature through a series of plant and animal displays and models.

The museum would be primarily used for the instruction of Junior Forester groups of the department, scout groups of all types, and other interested garden organizations.

Tours would be conducted on a prearranged basis.

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Respectfully submitted J. J. CONSIDINE. General Superintendent.

By Councilman Rogell:

Resolved, That the Dept. of Building & Safety Engineering be and it is hereby authorized and directed to is hereby authorized and directed to issue permit to the Dept. of Parks & Recreation, to use the first floor of a two-story frame dwelling located in Rouge Park on W. Chicago and Outer Dr., for a nature museum, provided the second floor is sealed off, and that we visitors shall be permitted in the no visitors shall be permitted in the basement, and further

Provided, That such use of the building shall be maintained under the rules and regulations of the Dept. of Building & Safety Engineering, and in accordance with plans submitted to and approved by that department, and further

Provided, This resolution is revocable at the will, whim or caprice of the Common Council.
Adopted as follows:

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

Nays—None.

Parks and Recreation Commission

April 5, 1957.

Honorable Common Council: Gentlemen—The Department of Parks and Recreation has grown amazingly in both size and diversity to meet a thousand new needs of

modern big-city living.
Through this, our sixteenth annual report, the Commissioners of the Detroit Department of Parks and Recreation, proudly record the advance-ment made in the expansion, construction and program devolopment

during 1956. The Commissioners have deeply appreciated your sincere and wholehearted cooperation during the year in helping them make concrete their aims and their ideals. Appreciation is also expressed to the many public and private agencies who have assisted us in making this a most successful year for Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted, MICHAEL H. BUTLER, President.

Received and Placed on File.

Department of Public Works

June 4, 1957.

Honorable Common Council: Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of Enterprise While the Building Code states for 9599, requesting the vacation of ablic assembly a building or strucBeaufait Avenue between Warren and ture must be of masonry construction, we feel that due to the small groups or classes that will be present at any given time the danger will be negli-ferred to this office by your Commit-

We wish to advise that our investigations are completed.

As per our directive the petitoner, on June 3, 1957, paid into the City Treasury the sum of \$1,001.98, Receipt No. C-29656, credited to the Public Works Maintenance Code No. 143-0000 (6241), said amount being the original cost of paving the south half of Theodore Avenue and the north half of Warren Avenue at the intersections of Beaufait Avenue to be vacated.

The petitioner also deposited with the City Treasurer the sum of \$1,-200.00, Receipt No. C-29655, credited to the Department of Water Supply Fund Code No. 600-0000 (6232) 001, said amount being the estimated cost of doing the necessary work of following provisions: abandoning an existing 4-inch water

main in the street to be vacated.

An easement is reserved for the Department of Water Supply over the easterly 30 feet of the street to be vacated protecting a 12-inch water main located in said portion of street.

Proper provisions are incorporated Proper provisions are into the vacating resolution for this purpose.

An easement is reserved in the vacating resolution for the Public Lighting Commission for the maintenance of its installations located in the

street to be vacated.

The petitioner requested that the paved returns at the entrances to the vacated street remain in their present status as the petitioner plans to utilize same, and has agreed, by letter filed with the original petition, to pay all costs incidental to the removal of the returns at such time in the future as the removal becomes necessary.

All other City departments and privately owned utility companies re-ported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said street or that they have reached satisfactory agreements with the petitioner regarding their installations therein.

We recommend the adoption of the

attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted, GLENN C. RICHARDS, Commissioner.

By Councilman Rogell:

Resolved, That all of Beaufait Avenue 60 feet wide as now established, between the north line of Warren Avenue 60 feet wide and the south line of Theodore Avenue 50 feet wide, the westerly 30 feet of said Beaufait Avenue being platted in Smith's Subdivision of Part of O.L. 34, P.C. 18 Meldrum Farm, Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 12, Page 91 of Plats wayner County Records lying east of and adjoining the east line of lots 25 and adjoining the east

tee of the Whole for investigation and ing between lots 25 and 46 of the above mentioned subdivision: easterly 30 feet of said Beaufait Avenue was deeded to the City of De-troit, said deed having been accepted on March 22, 1889 and recorded in Liber 320, Page 53 of Deeds Wayne to the County Records, and which street is Fund in fact "The west 30 feet of Lot 8 of Plat of Rear Concession of P.C. 19, known as the Louis Beaufait Farm as subdivided by A. E. Hathen, City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 27, Page 350, 351 and 352 of Deeds Wayne County Records, lying between the south line of Theodore Avenue and the north line of Warren Avenue", be and the same is hereby vacated as a public street to become a part of parcel of the adjoining property subject to the

1) An easement or right-of-way is hereby reserved in and over the above mentioned Beaufait Avenue, for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, removing, or replacing the Public Lighting Commission's facili-

ties located in said street.

2) An easement or right-of-way is hereby reserved in and over the easterly 30 feet of the above mentioned Beaufait Avenue for the Department of Water Supply, for the purpose of maintaining, repairing or replacing a 12-inch water main located in said portion of street.

3) No buildings or structures of any nature whatsoever shall be built over or upon said vacated Beaufait Avenue unless prior approval is ob-tained from the Public Lighting Commission and the Department of Water Supply.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Beck, Connor, Lincoln, Rogell, Smith, Van Antwerp, Wise, and President Miriani-8.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works May 16, 1957.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen — In response to published advertisements, eight bids were received on May 14, 1957, for the paving of the south half of Kingsville from 128 feet east of the east property line of Harper to the east property line of Linville, Contract PW-2948F, as listed on the attached tabulation.

On the same date, the City of Harper Woods received bids for the paving of the north half of Kingsville within the same limits.

The low bid was regular in all respects and in accordance with the Contract requirements. The low bidder on the City Contract was also the low bidder on the north half of the pavement in the City of Harper Woods. It is our understanding that the City 46 and east of and adjoining the east line of the 20 foot vacated alley ly-