

Parks and Recreation

March 23, 1962.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen — Several months ago this department appeared before your Honorable Body and advised you that we were in the process of purchasing three aerial work towers to speed up tree pruning on the city streets. At that time we advised you that we expected delivery this winter.

The details of this purchase were handled by the Department of Purchases and Supplies, and after the bids were submitted an award was made to Mobile Aerial Towers, Inc., for three aerial towers.

We have recently been advised that due to the fact that this factory has received a terrific influx of government orders in connection with the missile program they have been forced to extend the delivery date to the first week in June.

To alleviate the situation somewhat, the Brevitz Equipment Company, who is the exclusive dealer for Mobile Aerial Towers, Inc., has offered the loan of a demonstrator at no cost to the City other than gasoline, oil, grease, and normal maintenance costs. This unit is mounted on a 1962 General Motors truck and is in good condition and appearance.

After consulting with the Department of Purchases and Supplies, we feel that it would be to the best interests of the City of Detroit to accept this offer, and with the approval of your Honorable Body, we will proceed accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD CROWELL,

General Superintendent.

By Councilman Wierzbicki:

Resolved, That the foregoing recommendation from the Dept. of Parks & Recreation for acceptance of offer of Mobile Aerial Towers, Inc., for loan of an aerial work tower to expedite tree pruning work, be and the same is hereby approved.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Beck, Brickley, Connor, Patrick, Ravitz, Rogell, Wierzbicki and President Carey—8.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

March 15, 1962.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning herewith the petition of Eaton Chemical and Dyestuff Company and the City of Detroit No. 220, requesting the vacation of Gunston Avenue between Shoemaker and Conner Avenue and the vacation of the public alleys in the block bounded by Gunston, Shoemaker and Conner Avenues. The vacation of said street and alleys was approved by the City Plan Commission and 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.

Proper provisions are incorporated into the vacating resolution protecting the City's interests in the sewers located in the northerly portion of Gunston Avenue to be vacated.

All other City departments and privately owned utility companies reported that they will be unaffected by the vacation of said street and alleys.

We recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,

Commissioner.

By Councilman Brickley:

Resolved, That all that part of Gunston Avenue, 30 feet wide, as platted in Warren Park No. 2 Subdivision of Part of P.C. 638 and Part of P.C. 687, Township of Gratiot (now City of Detroit), Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 37, Page 52 of Plats Wayne County Records, lying between the northerly line of Shoemaker Avenue, 66 feet wide as now established, and the southwesterly line of Conner Avenue, 86 feet wide as now established, be and the same is hereby vacated as a public street 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 street, the City of Detroit does not waive any rights to the sewers located in that portion of vacated Gunston Avenue lying northerly of a point 450 feet north of the northerly line of Shoemaker Avenue, 66 feet wide, 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 petitioner, their successors, or assigns; and further

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

4. Provided, That in the event that the sewers located in that part of vacated Gunston Avenue lying northerly of a point 450 feet north of the northerly line of Shoemaker Avenue, 66 feet wide, if built upon, shall break

causing damage to any construction above, the petitioner and their 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 said broken sewers; and further

Resolved, That all of the north-south public alley, 18 feet wide, north of Shoemaker Avenue and west of Conner Avenue as platted in Warren Park No. 2 Subdivision as recorded in Liber 37, Page 52 of Plats Wayne County Records, lying west of and adjoining the westerly line of Lots 551 to 555 both inclusive, east of and adjoining the easterly line of Lot 550 and east of and adjoining the easterly line of the 18.15 foot wide public alley adjoining the northerly line of said Lot 550 all of the above mentioned subdivision;

Also, all of the east-west public alley, 18.15 feet wide, north of Shoemaker Avenue and west of Conner Avenue as platted in Warren Park No. 2 Subdivision as recorded in Liber 37, Page 52 of Plats Wayne County Records, lying north of and adjoining the northerly line of Lots 549 and 550 and south of and adjoining the southerly line of the westerly 25.5 feet of Lot 556 all of the above mentioned subdivision;

Be and the same are hereby vacated as public alleys to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Beck, Brickley, Connor, Patrick, Ravitz, Rogell, Wierzbicki and President Carey—8.

Nays—None.

Department of Public Works

March 21, 1962.

Honorable Common Council:

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

Contract No. ZO-37, Rehabilitation Outside Cages—Bird House—Zoological Park, Nucleus Const. Co., 2-27-62.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE L. PALMER,
City Engineer.

By Councilman Ravitz:

Resolved, That contract as listed in the foregoing communication be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Beck, Brickley, Connor, Patrick, Ravitz, Rogell, Wierzbicki and President Carey—8.

Nays—None.

Reconsideration

Councilman Wierzbicki 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, Brickley, Connor, Patrick, Ravitz, Rogell, Wierzbicki and President Carey—8.

Nays—None.

Councilman Beck then moved that the motion to reconsider be indefinitely postponed, which motion prevailed.

The regular order was resumed.

Department of Public Works

March 21, 1962.

Honorable Common Council:

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

Contract No. PW-3983, Stack Painting, Repair & Replacement—East & West Side Asphalt Plants, C. E. Dunn Boiler & Engineering, 2-27-62.

Contract No. PW-4214, Demolition of Buildings 1921-23 Canfield, Atomic Lumber and Wrecking Co., 2-27-62.

Contract No. PW-4215, Demolition of Building 8774-76 Cardoni, Atomic Lumber and Wrecking Co., 2-27-62.

Contract No. PW-4216, Demolition of Building, 1989 Scott, Atomic Lumber and Wrecking Co., 2-27-62.

Contract No. PW-4217, Demolition of Buildings, 8006-12 and 8016-20 Barnes, C & D Richardson Co., 2-27-62.

Contract No. PW-4219, Demolition of Building 575-77 S. Post, Atomic Lumber and Wrecking Co., 2-27-62.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN C. RICHARDS,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Ravitz:

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Adopted as follows:

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Nays—None.

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Nays—None.

Councilman Beck then moved that the motion to reconsider be indefinitely postponed which motion prevailed.

The regular order was resumed.

Department of Public Works

March 20, 1962.

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are returning here-