

Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen — During the Christmas season just past, Christmas trees were purchased through the Department of Purchases and Supplies. This purchase proved to be more economical than using city forces to accomplish this operation.

It is, however, more economical to harvest the 200 smaller trees used in recreation centers and at various outside locations using city forces. These trees were obtained from Mr. John Arend at a cost of \$300.00.

Therefore, we respectfully request permission to issue a voucher for the payment for these trees. The account to be charged is 5220-363 Christmas Decorations.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN M. MAY,
General Superintendent.

Approved:

W. I. STECHER,
Deputy Controller

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to honor vouchers when presented in accordance with the foregoing communication.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Browne, Eberhard, Hood, Levin, Rogell, Van Antwerp, Wierzbicki, and President Ravitz — 8.

Nays — None.

Department of Public Works

January 18, 1972

Honorable Common Council:

Re: Petition No. 3087

Illinois Iron & Metal Company.
Vacation of the 17 foot wide
north - south alley first east of
Orleans, south of Mack

Gentlemen — The above petition requests the vacation of the above described alley. The requested vacation was recommended by the City Plan Commission. The petition was then referred to us for investigation and report. Our report, accompanied by the original petition is as follows:

The petitioner has also requested that the paved return at the entrance to the alley to be vacated remain in its 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 same whenever the discontinuance of use makes such removal necessary.

The petitioner has agreed to concrete walls around the alley and to have an Edison overhead light installed. Proper provisions are included in the resolution concerning these agreements.

All other involved City departments and privately - owned utility companies reported that they have no objection to the proposed vacation or

that they have reached satisfactory agreements with the petitioner regarding their installations therein. An appropriate resolution is attached for consideration by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,
CLARENCE C. RUSSELL
Commissioner

By Councilman Hood:

Resolved, That all that part of the north - south public alley, 17 feet wide, in the block bounded by Orleans, Dequindre, Hale, and Mack Avenue having been platted as the westerly 17 feet of lot 33 of the Plat of the Subdivision of Lot 5 of the Subdivision of the rear of the Dequindre Farm, north of North Street, now Division Street as recorded on May 19, 1854, in Liber 53, Page 195, Deeds, Wayne County Records.

Be and the same is hereby vacated as a public alley to become a part and parcel of the abutting property, subject to the following:

Provided, That if at any time in the future it becomes necessary to remove the paved alley return and construct new curb and sidewalk, said construction will be done by City permit, according to Department of Public Works inspection and specification and the entire cost is to borne by the petitioner or his assigns, and further.

Provided, That the petitioner, at his expense, perform the following:

1. Erect a cement block wall, approximately 12 feet high, along the west side of the alley proposed to be vacated. This wall to be three (3) feet, six (6) inches from the east side of the home adjacent said alley.

2. Erect a cement block wall across the south end of the seventeen (17) foot wide alley, proposed to be vacated, to tie into the existing wall along the west boundary of the Illinois Iron and Metal Company's property. This wall is to be the same height as the aforementioned existing wall.

3. Erect a loading ramp and dock in the north - south alley to be vacated to permit better use of existing access door located in the west wall of the present storage and office building.

4. Also, to have installed at his own expense a large Detroit Edison overhead light to illuminate the remaining east-west alley and the rear yards of the homes on Hale Avenue. The light is to be located on an existing telephone pole located at the east end of the twenty (20) foot wide east-west alley that is to remain open.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Councilmen Browne, Eberhard, Hood, Levin, Rogell, Van Antwerp, Wierzbicki, and President Ravitz — 8.

Nays — None.