

July 23, 1989

Honorable City Council:

Re: Petitions to convert alley to easement.

For your consideration, submitted herewith are five (5) petitions requesting the conversion of alleys into easements in the City of Detroit.

The requested conversions into easements for public utilities were recommended by the Community and Economic Development Department upon prior investigation and report. For filing in the office of the City Clerk, please find reports, petitions to vacate the public alleys, sketches of the alleys and Notice of the City Council hearing.

All other involved City Departments and privately owned utility companies have no objections to the conversion of the public right-of-ways into easements provided that proper provisions are incorporated into the vacating resolution protecting their installations located therein.

The adoption of the attached resolution is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,  
NORRIS GOUDY

Supv. Asst. Corp. Counsel

Approved:

DONALD PAILEN

Corporation Counsel

By: ABIGAIL ELIAS

Deputy Corporation Counsel

By Council Member Collins:

Whereas, the following petitions have been filed with the City Council, signed by not less than two-thirds of the owners of properties respectively abutting the alleys as herein described, pursuant to the ordinance for the purpose of determining the advisability of these alley vacations.

Now Therefore, Be It

Petition No. 2405

Conversion to easement of the north/south alley in the block bounded Tracey Lesure, Vasser and ~~Mandara~~ Avenues;

That all that part of a eighteen (18) foot wide alley, running in an East/East direction between Tracey, Lesure, Vasser, and St. Martins Avenues, abutting Lots 2675 to 2680, both inclusive, on the South of said alley and abutting Lot 2681 on the West of said alley and Lot 2674 on the East of said alley in the Blackstone Park Subdivision #5, of the Northeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 6, Town 1 South, Range 11 East, Greenfield Township, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 52, Page 64 of Plats, Wayne County Records;

Petition No. 2501

Conversion to easement of the north/south alley in the block bounded by Fairmount, Hayes, Rossini and ~~State Fair~~ Avenues;

That all that part of a eighteen (18) foot wide alley, running in an East/West direction between Fairmount, Hayes, Rossini and State Fair Avenues, abutting Lots 1012 to 1027, both inclusive, on the North of said alley and abutting Lots 1070 to 1085 both inclusive on the South of said alley of said alley in the Drennan and Seldon Regent Park Subdivision #1, of part of the Northeast ¼ of Section 1, Town 1 South, Range 12 East, and part of the Northwest ¼ of Section 6, Town 1 South, Range 13 East, City of Detroit Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 55, Page 88 of Plats, Wayne County Records;

Petition No. 2503

Conversion to easement of the north/south alley in the block bounded by Constance, Mansfield, Belton and St. Mary's Avenues;

That all that part of an eighteen (18) foot wide alley, running in an North/South direction between Constance, Mansfield, Belton and St. Mary's Avenues, abutting Lots 340 to 359 both inclusive, on the West of said alley and abutting Lots 360 to 379, both inclusive, on the East of said alley in the Bassett & Smiths Tiremans Avenues Subdivision, of that part of Out Lot 14, Liber Moran Farm, North of Ontario Street, in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, Town 2 South, Range 12 East, as recorded in Liber 4, Page 65 of Plats, Wayne County Records; Petition No. 2606

Conversion to easement of the north/south alley in the block bounded by Wadsworth, Terry, Plymouth and Robson Avenues;

That all that part of an eighteen (18) foot wide alley, running in a North/South direction between Plymouth, Wadsworth, Robson, and Terry Avenues, abutting Lots 370 to 384, both inclusive, on the West of said alley and abutting Lots 409 to 423, both inclusive, on the West of said alley and abutting Lots 409 to 423, both inclusive on the East of said alley in the Broadmoor Subdivision, of the South ½ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 30, Town 1 South, Range 11 East, Greenfield Township, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 41, Page 48 of Plats, Wayne County records;

Petition No. 2860

Conversion to easement of the north/south alley in the block bounded by E. Warren, Neff, Cornwall and Woodhall Avenues;

That all that part of the owners of property abutting the (10.31) foot wide alley, running in a North/South direction between Woodhall, Neff, Warren and Cornwall Avenues, abutting Lots 1 to 14, both inclusive, on the East of said alley in the Grosse Pointe Subdivision, of Lot 4 of the Claim Neff East Subdivision of Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Claim Neff's Subdivision of the West ½ of Private Claim 3444, North of Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 19, Page 82 of Plats, Wayne County records; and abutting Lots 344 to 349, both inclusive, on the West of said alley in the Grosse Pointe Highlands Subdivision, of the part of Lots 1-2-3-4 & 5 of Front and Rear Concessions of Private Claim 239, Gratiot and Grosse Pointe Township's Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 36, Page 61 of Plats, Wayne County Records;

FIRST, said owners hereby grant to and for the use of the public easements or right-of-ways over said vacated public alleys hereinabove described for the purpose of maintaining, installing, repairing, removing or replacing public utilities such as water mains, sewers, gas lines or mains, telephone, electric light conduits or poles or things usually placed or installed to ingress and egress at any time to and over said easement for the purpose above set forth.

SECOND, said utility easement or right-of-way in and over said vacated alley hereinabove described shall be forever accessible to the maintenance and inspection forces of the utility companies, or those specifically authorized by them for the purpose of inspecting, installing, maintaining, repairing, removing, or replacing any sewer conduit, water main, gas line or main, telephone or light pole or any utility facility placed or installed in the utility easement or right-of-way. The utility companies shall have

the right to cross or use the driveways and yards of the adjoining properties for ingress and egress at any time to and over said utility easements with any necessary equipment to perform the above mentioned tasks, with the understanding that the utility companies shall use due care in such crossing or use, and that any property damaged by the utility companies other than that specifically prohibited by this resolution shall be restored to a satisfactory condition.

THIRD, said owners for their heirs and assigns further agree that no buildings or structures of any nature whatsoever including but not limited to concrete slabs or driveways, retaining or partition walls (except necessary line fences) shall be built or placed upon said easement, nor any change or surface grade made, without prior approval by the Department of Public Works.

FOURTH, that if at any time in the future the owners of any lots abutting on said vacated alley shall request the removal and/or relocation of any existing poles or other utilities in said easements, such owners, upon whose property the poles or other utilities are located shall pay all costs incidental to such removal and/or relocation, unless such charges are waived by the utility owners.

PROVIDED FURTHER, that if any utility located or to be located in said property shall break or be damaged as a result of any action on the part of the petitioner or assigns (by way of illustration but not limitation), such as storage or excessive weights of materials or construction not in accordance with Section 3, mentioned above, then in such event the petitioner or assigns shall be liable for all costs incidental to the repair of such broken or damaged utility and be it further.

RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall, within 30 days, record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds, and shall send a certified copy to the State Treasurer, and shall further transmit a copy of this resolution to the City Engineer, to the Law Department and to the Department of Public Works; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the receipt of a copy of the resolution, the Law Department shall notify the owners of the property abutting on such alley or portions thereof, and other necessary parties, that the alley or portions thereof have been vacated and converted in easement for utilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the receipt of a copy of the resolution, the City Engineer shall correct the official city maps and records; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the receipt of a copy of the resolution, the Department of

Public Works shall adjust its garbage and refuse collection services accordingly.

APPROVED:

DONALD PAILEN

Corporation Counsel

By: ABIGAIL ELIAS

Deputy Corporation Counsel.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Cleveland, Collins, Eberhard, Kelley, Mahaffey, Peoples, Ravitz, and President Pro Tem.  
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Nays — None.

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