

## City Engineering Department

September 20, 1991

Honorable City Council:

Re: Petition No. 1418, Community and Economic Development Department, Mid-City Rehabilitation Project, VA Medical Center (Hospital) Site Street and Alley Vacations within the area bounded by John R., Brush, Canfield, and Hancock; also land dedication for John R. widening.

To develop properties in Mid-City Rehabilitation Project it is necessary to vacate public streets and alleys in the area bounded by John R. and Brush Streets, Canfield and Hancock Avenues; also it is necessary to set-aside City-owned land for the widening of John R. Street (from 60 to 84 feet wide).

The public street and alley closings were approved by the Department of Transportation.

A portion of the "Springwells Raw Water Tunnel" is located beneath Forest Avenue, 70 feet wide, between John R. and Brush Streets. The Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) has executed a "Construction Approval Agreement" and granted an "Easement Encroachment Permit" (as per Law Department letter dated January 26, 1990) with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to construct over and in close proximity to the "Springwells Raw Water Tunnel" for the purpose of construction of a Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospital. Provisions protecting the "Springwells Raw Water Tunnel" are contained within the documents executed by DWSD and VA.

Satisfactory arrangements have been made with all other City departments and privately-owned utility companies.

An appropriate resolution is attached for consideration by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,  
CLYDE R. HOPKINS  
Director

By Council Member Ravitz:

Resolved, All that part of Forest Avenue, 70 feet wide, between the west line of Brush Street (60 feet wide) and a line 24.00 feet easterly of and parallel to the east line of John R. Street (60 feet wide) lying southerly of and abutting the south line of lots on the north side of said Forest Avenue, being Lot 15 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 16 thru 26; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of lots on the south side of said Forest Avenue, being the easterly 25.00 feet of Lot 19, and Lots 20 thru 26 of "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision of Park Lots 34 and 35 and part of Park Lot 33," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 269, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lot 1 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 2 and 3 of "D. J. Smith's Subdivision of Lots 15, 16, 17, and 18 and west five feet of Lot 19 on the south side of Forest Avenue East," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 65, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lots 10 thru 14, Block 21; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lots 1 thru 5, Block 20 of "Brush Subdivision of that Part of Brush Farm lying between the south line of Farnsworth Street and the south line of Alexandrine Avenue," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 17, Page 29, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying

southerly of and abutting the south line of a strip of surplus property between Lot 14, Block 21 of said "Brush Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 17, P. 29 PWCR), and Lot 26 (on the north side of said Forest Avenue) of said "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 1, P. 269 PWCR);

Be and the same is hereby vacated as a public (street) right-of-way to become part and parcel of the abutting property; subject to the terms and conditions of a "Construction Approval Agreement" and an "Easement Encroachment Permit" (both referenced in a Law Department letter; written to "William Webb, Project Manager-087C, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420"; dated January 26, 1990; signed by "Darryl F. Alexander, Assistant Corporation Counsel") between the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to construct over and in close proximity to the "Springwells Raw Water Tunnel" for the purpose of construction of a Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospital; and be it further

Resolved, All that part of Garfield Avenue, 60 feet wide, between the west line of Brush Street (60 feet wide) and a line 24.00 feet easterly of and parallel to the east line of John R. Street (60 feet wide) lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lot 12 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 13 thru 23; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lot 35 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 24 thru 34 of the "Plat of Hubbard and King's Subdivision of Park Lot 32 and Part of Park Lot 33," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 20, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lots 10 thru 14, Block 20; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lots 1 thru 5, Block 19 of "Brush Subdivision of that Part of Brush Farm lying between the south line of Farnsworth Street and the south line of Alexandrine Avenue," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 17, Page 29, Plats, Wayne County Records; also

All that part of the east-west public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by (proposed) John R Street (84 feet wide), Brush Street, Forest and Hancock Avenues lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lot 10 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 11 thru 16 of "Parson's Subdivision of South Half of Park Lot 36," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 15, Page 14, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of lots on the north side of Forest Avenue, being Lot 15 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 16 thru 26 of "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision of Park Lots 34 and 35 and part of Park Lot 33," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 269, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lots 1 thru 5, Block 21; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of

Lots 10 thru 14, Block 21 of "Brush Subdivision of that Part of Brush Farm lying between the south line of Farnsworth Street and the south line of Alexandrine Avenue," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 17, Page 29, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of a strip of surplus property between Lot 16 of said "Parson's Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 15, P. 14 PWCR), and Lot 1, Block 21 of said "Brush Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 17, P. 29 PWCR); also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of a strip of surplus property between Lot 14, Block 21 of said "Brush Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 17, P. 29 PWCR), and Lot 26 (on the north side of said Forest Avenue) of said "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision" (as recorded in L. 1, P. 269 PWCR); also

All that part of the east-west public alley, 15 feet wide, first south of Forest Avenue and east of (proposed) John R Street (84 feet wide), lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lot 1 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 2 and 3; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of the north-south public alley, 15 feet wide (east of John R Street and south of Forest Avenue); also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lot 4 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution) of "D. J. Smith's Subdivision of Lots 15, 16, 17, and 18 and west five feet of Lot 19 on the south side of Forest Avenue East," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 65, Plats, Wayne County Records; also

All of the north-south public alley, 15 feet wide, first east of (proposed) John R. Street (84 feet wide) between Garfield and Forest Avenues, lying easterly of and abutting the east line of Lots 4 thru 6 of "D. J. Smith's Subdivision of Lots 15, 16, 17, and 18 and west five feet of Lot 19 on the south side of Forest Avenue East," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 65, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying westerly of and abutting the west line of a part of lot (on the south side of Forest Avenue), being the easterly 25.00 feet of the southerly 90.45 feet of Lot 19 of "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision of Park Lots 34 and 35 and part of Park Lot 33," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 269, Plats, Wayne County Records; also

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All that part of the east-west public alley, 20 feet wide, east of (proposed) John R. Street (84 feet wide) between Garfield and Forest Avenues, lying southerly of and abutting the south line of the north-south public alley, 15 feet wide (east of John R. Street and south of Forest Avenue); also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lot 6 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution) of "D. J. Smith's Subdivision of Lots 15, 16, 17, and 18 and west five feet of Lot 19 on the south side of Forest Avenue East", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 65, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of lots and part of lot (on the south side of Forest Avenue), being the easterly 25.00 feet of Lot 19, and Lots 20 thru 26 of "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision of Park Lots 34 and 35 and part of Park Lot 33", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 269, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lot 12 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution) and Lots 13 thru 23 of the "Plat of Hubbard and King's Subdivision of Park Lot 32 and Part of Park Lot 33," City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 20, Plats, Wayne County Records; also

All of the remaining part of the "L"-shaped east-west public alley, 20 feet wide and variable width (not previously vacated in the City Council resolution adopted on October 4, 1892 — J.C.C. page 839), west of Brush Street between Garfield and Forest Avenues, lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lots 1 thru 5, Block 20; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lots 10 thru 14, Block 20 of "Brush Subdivision of that Part of Brush Farm lying between the south line of Farnsworth

Street and the south line of Alexandrine Avenue", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 17, Page 29, Plats, Wayne County Records; also

All that part of the east-west public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by (proposed) John R. Street (84 feet wide), Brush Street, Canfield and Garfield Avenues lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lot 35 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 24 thru 34 of the "Plat of Hubbard and King's Subdivision of Park Lot 32 and Part of Park Lot 33", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 7, Page 20, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lot 13 (except the westerly 24.00 feet of said lot, measured at right angles, to be dedicated for public street widening later in this resolution), and Lots 14 thru 24 of "Fisher and Shearer's Subdivision of Park Lots 30 and 31", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 1, Page 15, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying southerly of and abutting the south line of Lots 1 thru 5, Block 19; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of Lots 10 thru 14, Block 19 of "Brush Subdivision of that Part of Brush Farm lying between the south line of Farnsworth Street and the south line of Alexandrine Avenue", City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 17, Page 29, Plats, Wayne County Records;

Be and the same are hereby vacated as public (street and alley) rights-of-way to become part and parcel of the abutting property; and be it further

Resolved, Pursuant to the Court ruling in Center Line v Michigan Bell Telephone Co. 26 Mich. App 659 (1970), aff. 387 Mich. 260 (1972) the Community and Economic Development Department is hereby authorized to process billings from utility companies and others for the relocation of their equipment in connection with this urban renewal project. However, prior to the processing of bills, the Community and Economic Development Department shall consult with the Law Department to determine which utility removal and/or relocation costs incidental to this urban renewal project are obligatory under current Michigan court rulings; and further

Provided, That the City Clerk shall within 30 days record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds; and be it further

Resolved, The following described City-owned properties are hereby dedicated for public street purposes (the widening of John R. Street from 60 feet wide

to 84 feet wide, between Canfield and Hancock Avenues):

**John R. Street Widening  
(84 feet wide)**

**Canfield Avenue to Hancock Avenue**  
Land in the City of Detroit, County of Wayne and State of Michigan being the westerly 24.00 feet of Lot 13, lying northerly of Canfield Avenue, 60 feet wide, of "Fisher and Shearer's Subdivision of Park Lots 30 and 31", as recorded in Liber 1, page 15 of Plats, Wayne County Records; also the westerly 24.00 feet of Lots 12 and 35 of "Plat of Hubbard and King's Subdivision of Park Lot 32 and Part of Park Lot 33", as recorded in Liber 7 page 20 of Plats, Wayne County Records; also the westerly 24.00 feet of Lots 1, 4, 5 and 6 of "D. J. Smith's Subdivision of Lots 15, 16, 17 and 18 and West 5 feet of Lot 19 on the South side of Forest Avenue East", as recorded in Liber 7, Page 65 of Plats, Wayne County Records; also the westerly 24.00 feet of Lot 15 lying northerly of Forest Avenue, 70 feet wide, of "Brooks and Carlisle's Subdivision of Park Lots 34 and 35 and part of Park Lot 33", as recorded in Liber 1, Page 269 of Plats, Wayne County Records; also the westerly 24.00 feet of Lot 10 of "Parson's Subdivision of South Half of Park Lot 36", as recorded in Liber 15, Page 14 of Plats, Wayne County Records; all of the above said parts of Lots lying between and adjoining the easterly line of John R. Street, 60 feet wide, and a line 24.00 feet easterly of and parallel to said easterly line of John R. Street, also lying northerly of the northerly line of Canfield Avenue, and southerly of southerly line of Hancock Avenue, 70 feet wide.

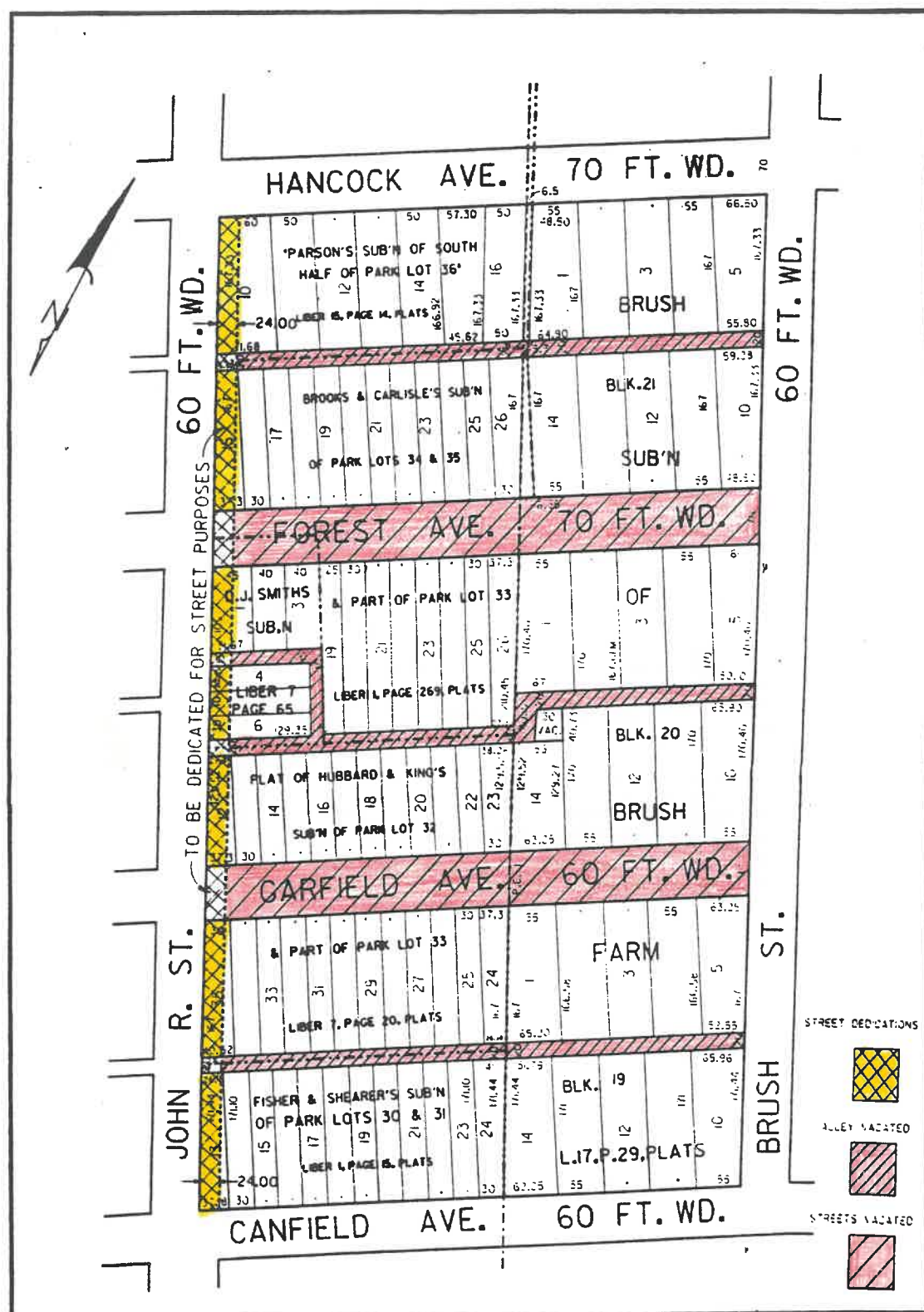
Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Butler, Cleveland, Eberhard, Everett, Hill, Hood, Kelley, Ravitz and President Mahaffey—9.

Nays — None.

\*WAIVER OF RECONSIDERATION  
(No. 8) per motions before adjournment.

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CITY OF DETROIT  
CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT  
MID-CITY  
REHABILITATION PROJECT

SCALE 1" = 100'

DATE NOV. 20, 1987

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