City Engineering Department July 7, 1994

Honorable City Council:

Re: Petition No. 3861, Mid-Wyoming/ Grand River Congregation(s) of Jehovah's Witnesses Alley to Easement north-south public alley in the block bounded by S. Clarendon,

Fernwood, Beechwood and the Jeffries Freeway.

Petition No. 3861 of "Mid-Wyoming/ Grand River Congregation(s) of Jehovah's Witnesses" requests the conversion of the north-south public alley, 18 feet wide, in the block bounded by S. Clarendon, Fernwood and Beechwood Avenues, and the limited access right-ofway of the Jeffries Freeway into a private easement for public utilities.

The requested conversion was approved by the Planning and Economic Development Department. The petition was referred to the City Engineering Division — DPW for investigation and report. This is our report:

The petititioner(s) plan to use the paved alley return entrances (into the Jeffries Freeway Service Drive and Beechwood Avenue) and requests such remain in their present status. The petitioner(s) shall pay all incidental removal costs whenever discontinuance of use makes removal necessary.

City departments and privately-owned attility companies have reported no objections to the conversion of public rights-of-way into a private easement for public utilities. Provisions protecting utility installations are part of the resolution.

The adoption of the attached resolution is recommended.

Respectfully submitted, WILLIAM L. TALLEY Head Engineer

By Council Member Hood:

Resolved, All of the north-south public alley, 18 feet wide, in the block bounded by S. Clarendon, Fernwood and Beechwood Avenues, and the limited access right-of-way of the Jeffries Freeway lying westerly of and abutting the west line of the south 11.62 feet of Lot 15, and Lots 16 thru 19 of "Fernwood Walter F. Baisch's Subdivision of Part of Quarter Section 50, Ten Thousand Acre Tract, City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 32, Page 79, Plats, Wayne County Records; also lying easterly of and abutting the east line of the south 28.99 feet of Lot 159, and Lots 156 thru 158 of "John Tireman's Subdivision of Lot B of Tireman Estate Quarter Section 50, Ten Thousand Acre Tract and Fractional Section 3, Town 2 South, Range 11 East (Springwells Township), City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 32, Page 10, Plats, Wayne County Records;

Be and the same are hereby vacated as public alleys and are hereby converted into a private easement for public utilities of the full width of the alleys, which easement shall be subject to the following covenants and agreements, uses, reservations and regulations, which shall be observed by the owners of

the lots abutting on said alleys and by their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, forever to wit:

FIRST, said owners hereby grant to and for the use of the public an easement or right-or-way over said vacated public alleys herein above described for the purposes of maintaining, installing, repairing, removing, or replacing public utilities such as water mains, sewers, gas lines or mains, telephones, electric light conduits or poles or things usually placed or installed in a public alley in the City of Detroit, with the right 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 alleys herein above 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 rightof-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 easement 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 fence) shall be built or placed upon said easement, nor change of surface grade made, without prior approval of the City Engineering

Division — DPW.

FOURTH, that if the owners of any lots abutting on said vacated alleys shall request the removal and/or relocation of any existing poles or other utilities in said easement, such owners shall pay all costs incidental to such removal and/or relocation, unless such charges are waived by the utility owners,

FIFTH, that if any utility located in said property shall break or be damaged as a result of any action on the part of said owners or assigns (by way of illustration but not limitation) such as storage of excessive weights of materials or construction not in accordance with Section 3, mentioned above, then in such event

said owners or assigns shall be liable for all costs incidental to the repair of such broken or damaged utility; and further

Provided, That is it becomes necessary to remove the paved alley returns at the entrances (into the Jeffries Freeway Service Drive and/or Beechwood Avenue), such removal and construction of new curb and sidewalk shall be done under city permit and inspection according to City Engineering Division — DPW specifications (and/or Michigan Department of Transportation specifications, if necessary, into the Jeffries Freeway Service Drive) with all costs borne by the abutting owner(s), their heirs or assigns; 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.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Cleveland, Cockrel, Everett, Hill, Hood, Ravitz, Scott, Tinsley-Williams and President Mahaffey — 9.

Nays — None.

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