

July 17, 1996

Hood, Ravitz, Scott, Tinsley-Williams,
and President Mahaffey — 6.
Nays — None.

Department of Public Works
City Engineering Division
July 1, 1996

Honorable City Council:
Re: Petition No. 1758 Blue Cross-Blue
Shield of Michigan, Vacation of
Streets and Alley; also
Encroachments and Dedications;
also Temporary Street Closing in the
area bounded by Beaubien, St.
Antoine, Fort and Lafayette

Petition No. 1758 of "Blue Cross Blue
Shield" requests the (outright) vacation of
the remaining east-west public alley, 20
feet wide, in the block bounded by
Beaubien, St. Antoine and E. Fort Streets,
and E. Lafayette Avenue. The petition
requests the conversion of Fort Street, 50
feet wide, lying between Beaubien Street
(120 feet wide) and St. Antoine Street (50
feet wide) into a private easement for public
utilities; subject to proposed overhead
encroachments. The petition requests the
conversion of St. Antoine Street, 50 feet
wide, between Fort Street and E.
Lafayette Avenue (120 feet wide) into a
private easement for public utilities; sub-
ject to proposed overhead encroachments.

An agreement is pending between
"Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan" and
the Detroit Transportation Corporation.
Therefore, the temporary public street
closing of E. Fort Street (in front of the
Bricktown Station) at Beaubien is an inter-
im arrangement.

The owner of the Cornice and Slate
Building, a property on the national his-
toric registry, is supporting the vacation of
the public streets and alley. The Planning
and Development Department has
reviewed and approved the proposed
development site.

City Council approved the transfer of
land to the Downtown Development
Authority [DDA] on May 27, 1987 (J.C.C.
pages 1160-61). On March 13, 1996
(J.C.C. pages 573-79), your Honorable
Body authorized the DDA to sell property to
"Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Michigan."

The development plan includes a
170,000 square foot office building, and a
500 vehicle parking garage near their
existing Detroit Service Center
Building(s).

The petition was referred to the City
Engineering Division — DPW for investi-
gation (utility clearances) and report. This
is our report:

The Traffic Engineering Division —
DPW approved the permanent public
street closing(s).

Blue Cross-Blue Shield will pay all
costs to adjust or relocate the utility ser-
vices of Comcast Cablevision.

Engineering details are not complete
for the proposed overhead encroach-
ments crossing the vacated public streets.
Therefore, four agencies will need to
review and approve building plans before
any construction within parcel(s) contain-
ing the vacated public streets. Blue Cross
Blue Shield will make application to
Buildings and Safety Engineering
Department for a building permit.
Simultaneously, Blue Cross-Blue Shield
must submit building plans to
Ameritech/Michigan Bell Telephone
Company, Detroit Transportation
Corporation, the Public Lighting
Department, and the Water and
Sewerage Department. This is necessary
to prevent damages or maintain public
utility services, and operate the "People
Mover" system. The resolution contains
provisions to protect the "People Mover"
system and utility services.

Detroit Edison Company [DE Co.], and
the Water and Sewerage Department
[DWSD] will retain private utility ease-
ments (within the vacated public alley) to

maintain services to the "People Mover"
as well as the Cornice and Slate Building.
The resolution contains provisions to pro-
tect the utility services of DE Co. and
DWSD.

The resolution establishes the public
street right-of-way of both Beaubien and
E. Lafayette as 120 feet wide.

I am recommending adoption of the
attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted
SUNDAY JAIYESIMI,
City Engineer

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Resolved, The following described city-
owned properties are hereby dedicated
for public street purposes:

Dedications for Widening
of Beaubien & Lafayette

Land in the City of Detroit, Wayne
County, Michigan being all of that part of
the east-west public alley (20 feet wide, in
the block bounded by Beaubien, St.
Antoine and E. Fort Streets, and E.
Lafayette Avenue) lying between the east-
erly line of Beaubien Street (50 feet wide)
and a line 60.00 feet easterly of and par-
allel to the easterly line of said Beaubien
Street; also all of Lot 107, and parts of
Lots 108, 111, 112, 113, and 114 of the
"Plat of a part of the Beaubien Farm in the
City of Detroit, as surveyed into town lots
for the proprietors by John Mullett,
Surveyor", as recorded in Liber 6, Page
475, City Records; also all of Lot 12, and
parts of Lots 7, 8, 9, and 11 of the "Plat of
the Antoine Beaubien Farm", as recorded
in Liber 27, Page 197, Deeds, Wayne
County Records; being more particularly
described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the
easterly line of Beaubien Street (60 feet
wide) and the northerly line of E. Fort
Street (50 feet wide); thence
N.59°53'08"E., along said northerly line of
E. Fort Street, 60.14 feet; thence
N.26°11'45"W., along a line 60.00 feet
easterly of and parallel to the easterly line
of said Beaubien Street, 227.63 feet;
thence N.59°52'32"E., along a line 70.00
southerly of and parallel to the southerly
line of E. Lafayette Avenue (50 feet wide),
390.26 feet; thence N.26°11'45"W., along
the westerly line of St. Antoine Street (50
feet wide), 70.16 feet; thence
S.59°52'32"W., along the southerly line of
E. Lafayette Avenue (50 feet wide),
450.40 feet; thence S.25°11'45"E., along
the easterly line of Beaubien Street (60
feet wide), 297.79 feet to the point of
beginning; containing about 45,290
square feet or 1.0397 acres more or less;
and be it further

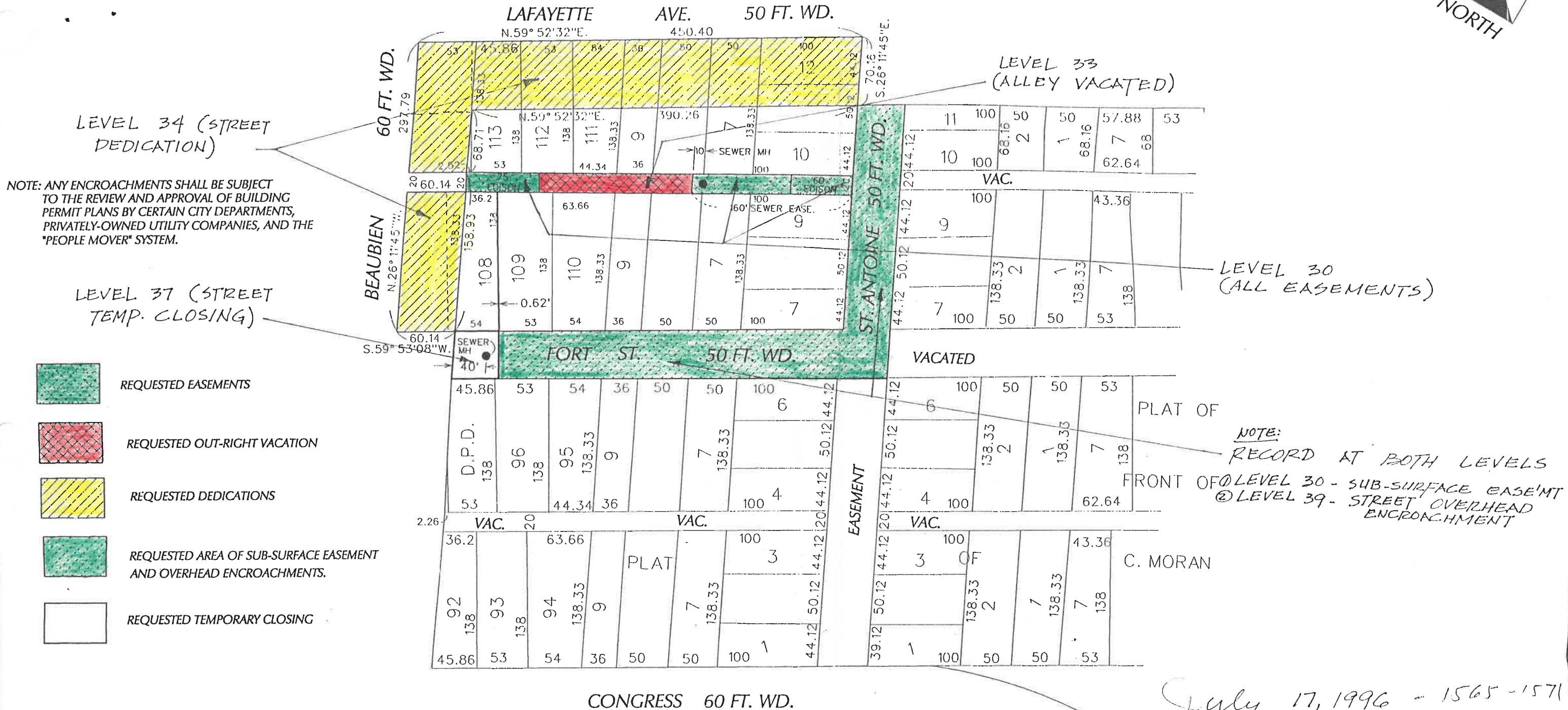
Resolved, That the City Clerk shall
within 30 days record a certified copy of
this resolution with the Wayne County
Register of Deeds.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Cockrel,
Hood, Ravitz, Scott, Tinsley-Williams and
President Mahaffey — 6.

Nays — None.

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PLAT OF BEAUBIEN FARM
PLAT OF A PART OF BEAUBIEN FARM AS SURVEYED INTO TOWN LOTS BY JOHN MULLET, SURVEYOR

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SCALE: 1"=100'
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BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHEILD OF MICHIGAN
VACATION OF STREETS AND ALLEY; ALSO ENCROACHMENTS AND DEDICATIONS; ALSO TEMPORARY STREET CLOSING
IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY BEAUBIEN, ST. ANTOINE, E. FORT AND E. LAFAYETTE.

CITY OF DETROIT
CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
SURVEY BUREAU
JOB NO. 01-01
DRWG. NO. X1758b.dgn