

# City of Detroit

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## DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

December 4, 1996

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: The City Clerk

The following petition is herewith referred to you for report and recommendation to the City Council.

In accordance with that body's directive, kindly return the same with your report in duplicate within the usual time limit.

/ CITY PLANNING COMMISSION /  
/ PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT /  
/ DPW - CITY ENGINEERING & TRAFFIC ENGINEERING /

2841 ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH, requesting the vacation of Holborn Street and the alley between Holborn and Edsel Ford Expressway west of Ellery.



WALK-ON  
City of Detroit  
CITY COUNCIL

BRENDA M. SCOTT  
COUNCIL MEMBER

*Scott*  
2841

**MEMO**

**TO:** Murlene Parker  
Committee Clerk

**FR:** Councilwoman Brenda M. Scott *B. M. S.*

**DA:** November 27, 1996

**RE:** Request by St. John Baptist Church  
Street/Alley Closing Request

*CPC  
Pa-DD  
DPW-City Eng  
Staff Eng*

The above-referenced church is requesting the vacating of Holborn St. and the alley between Holborn and Edsel Ford Expressway west of Ellery to make room for parking space that they will need for the construction of their new St. John Baptist Church complex.

I am enclosing a copy of their correspondence which outlines their request.

I am requesting that this request be forwarded to the appropriate department for response.

BMS/pd

cc: Colleagues  
Petitioner - Pastor Bennett  
2561 Beniteau-48214

attachment

# St. John Baptist Church

2561 Beniteau • Detroit, Michigan 48214 • (313) 499-1022

Charlie L. Bennett, Pastor

November 12, 1996

Honorable City Council  
City Council Building  
Room 200  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

City Council Members:

The construction of the new St. John Baptist Church Complex calls for vacating Holborn St. and the alley between Holborn and Edsel Ford Expressway west of Ellery. This closure will make room for the parking space that we need for the complex.

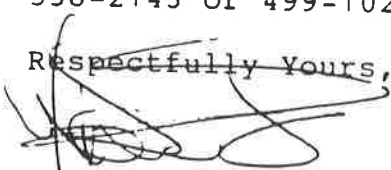
At the present time, the property bound by Edsel Ford Service drive, the corner of Ellery and Holborn is not available for purchase. The homeowners however have agreed to give us the first opportunity to acquire this property. Once this is done, our complex will be completed with the use of the alley and the portion of Holborn mentioned above.

We desire to complete our project as submitted. Upon completion, the community will have a place to worship, a Family Development Center, and a facility for day care.

Working together we can make a difference, for "without a vision, the people perish."

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter. Any questions you may have can be directed to Pastor Bennett at 538-2143 or 499-1022.

Respectfully Yours,



Charlie L. Bennett  
Pastor