

City of Detroit
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DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

September 26, 2001

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: Jackie L. Currie
Detroit 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 four (4) weeks.

/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - CITY ENGINEERING
DIVISION/

4238 American Red Cross, for vacation and conversion to easement of alleys/streets in the area of Mack, Eliot and Woodward.

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American Red Cross

Southeastern Michigan Region
Blood Services
100 Mack Avenue
Box 33351
Detroit, MI 48232-5351
(313) 833-4440

September 23, 2001

Honorable City Council
C/O City Clerk
Room 200
Colman A. Young Municipal Center
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Honorable City Council,

Please regard this communication to be a request to "vacate and convert to easement" two partial streets located within the American Red Cross Campus, 100 Mack Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. The American Red Cross owns all properties adjoining the sites requested to be vacated.

The Request

The two sites are identified on the attached site plan as the campus currently exists. The vacation and conversion to easement are as follows:

1. Vacate southern half of the alley between Mack Avenue and Eliot Street. The northern half of the alley has already been vacated and changed to easement and is part of the campus plan. This request relates to the portion of the alley behind the "print shop" on the attached map. (The old print shop is now a Red Cross Training center)
2. Vacate and conversion to easement the remainder of Eliot Street from Woodward Avenue to the north/south alley. The eastern portion of the Eliot has already been vacated and changed to easement and is part of the campus operations.

This request is based on two important needs of the American Red Cross:

1. The American National Red Cross has asked Red Cross Blood Regions to improve security to facilities as a result of the September 11, 2001 event in New York. We have reviewed our campus security and believe these changes are necessary to assure the safety of blood supply in Southeastern Michigan. This is the immediate need and is critical to our existing operations.
2. The Chapter plans to build an additional building on the site in several years. At this time the same changes to easement will facilitate expansion of facilities and services offered to this community.

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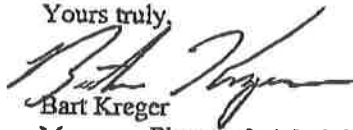
To donate blood, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE



We are sensitive to our position in the community and partial encroachment on the historic district. We are therefore obtaining appropriate approvals from the Detroit Historic Commission, Planning Commission and Department of Public Works prior to making even minor changes. All changes will be compatible visually with our current wrought iron decorative fencing.

Please process this request as soon as possible.

Yours truly,




Bart Kregger

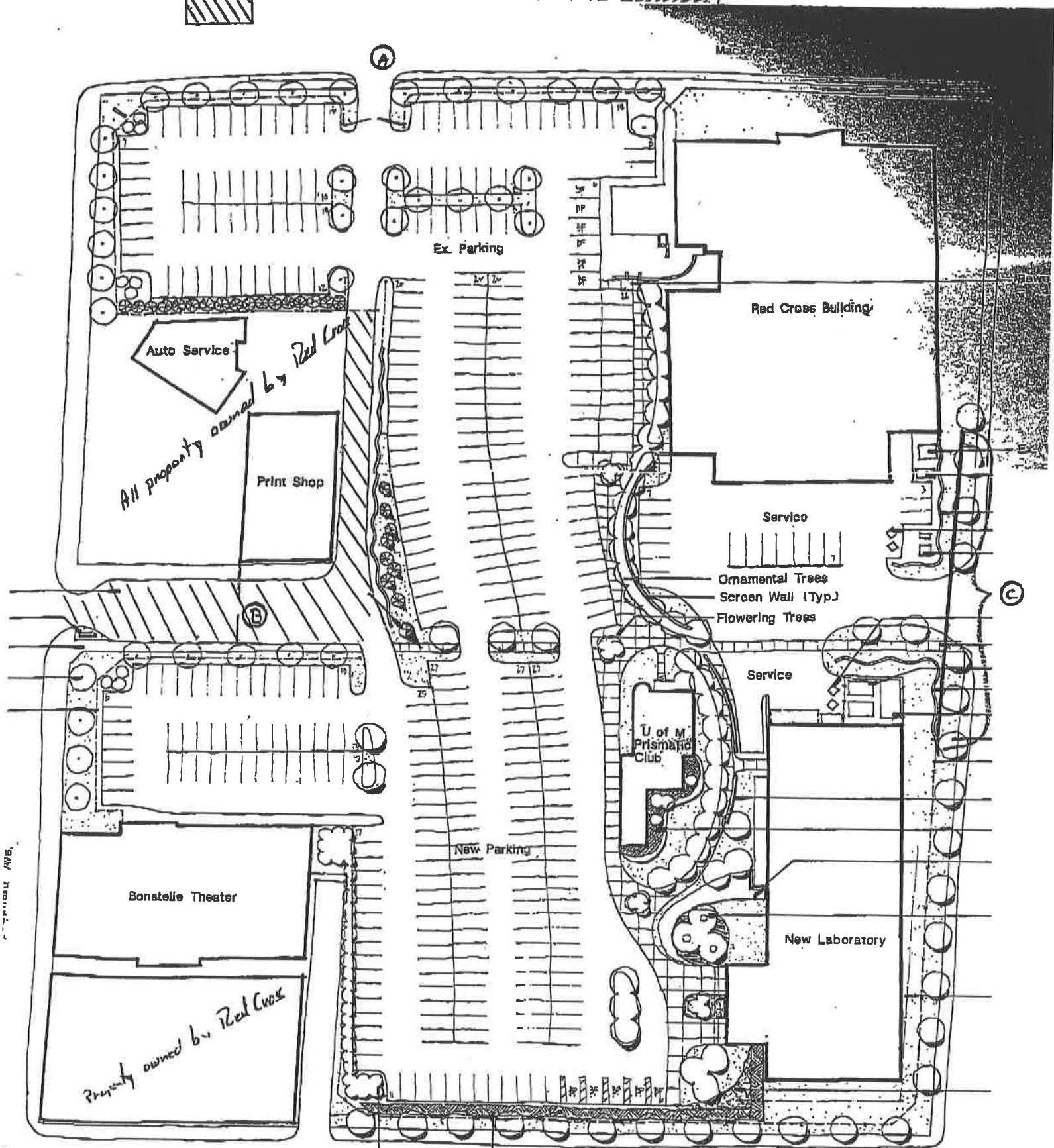
Manager, Finance & Administration

313-494-2887

Attachments: Map
 Letter to Planning Commission
 Letter to Historic Commission

- (B) Gate open 7:00 AM to 7 P.M.
- (C) Gate open 12:00 AM to 5 P.M.

 Remaining area for Conversion to *business*



 Remaining Area to be converted to *business*