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City Clerk

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**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

July 7, 2003

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/**

**1618 Dickinson Wright PLLC/National Heritage Academies,**  
requesting to vacate and relocate alley in the area of Alter Road  
and Ashland Avenue.

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June 23, 2003

**Via First Class Mail**

CITY CLERK  
Honorable Jackie L. Currie  
Office of the City Clerk, Room 200  
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit, MI 48226

**Re: Petition to Honorable City Council**

Enclosed please find a Petition to the Honorable City Council regarding a request to vacate and relocate a public alley in the City of Detroit, along with a drawing illustrating the location of the existing alley and the proposed relocation.

Very truly yours,



Tariq S. Hafeez

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cc: Timothy A. Stoepker, Esq.

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June 23, 2003

The Honorable City Council  
City of Detroit  
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Two Woodward Avenue  
Detroit, MI 48226

**Re: Proposed vacation and relocation of public alley**

**PETITION TO VACATE AND RELOCATE ALLEY**

This is a petition to vacate the alley running north-west/south-east along the property leased by National Heritage Academies, at 1091 Alter Road, Detroit MI (the "Property"). The alley is parallel to and south of Alter Road and parallel to and north of Ashland Avenue. We are submitting this Petition by National Heritage Academies, as Tenant and the Archdiocese of Detroit as Owner of the Property, on behalf of Merit Academy, a public charter school academy located on Alter Road in Detroit. The School is currently undergoing a two million dollar expansion and needs to vacate and relocate the alley to develop parking which is necessary for the operation of the school. This expansion will bring revenue into the city, increase educational choices available to area students and residents, provide for new jobs, and improve the general makeup of the surrounding area.

The developer would like to relocate the public alley to an area immediately adjacent to the existing alley, and perpendicular and south of Alter Road. Attached to this Petition is a drawing of the Property indicating the location of the existing alley and the proposed relocation. A copy of this Petition and an ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey has been sent to the City Engineering Survey Bureau, attention James Foster, at the Bureau's request.

The vacation and relocation of the alley is needed in order to facilitate the expansion of the School and specifically to improve traffic circulation and parking, through the addition of new parking spaces and the strategic relocation of the alley. The relocated alley would be open to traffic and no buildings or structures would obstruct the right-of-way.

If you have any questions about the project, please call Jason Pater at (616) 222-1700 (ext 253) or Tim Stoepker at (313) 223-3473 or myself.

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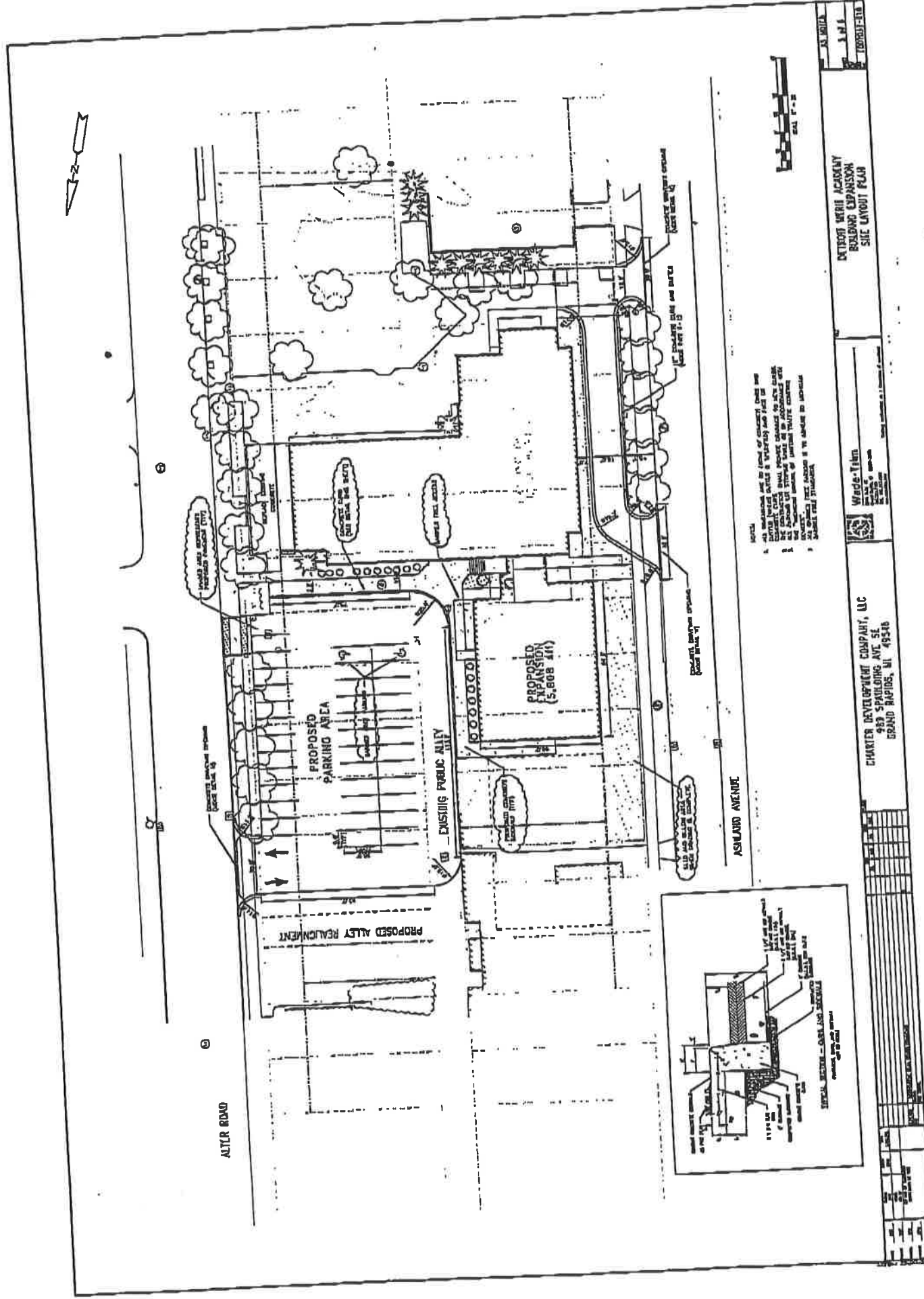
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cc: James Foster  
Jason Pater  
David W. Hipp, Esq.

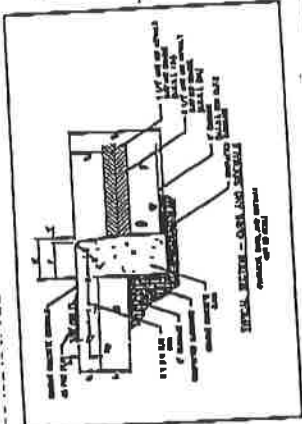
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**EXTERIOR MERITT ACADEMY  
 BUILDING EXPANSION  
 SITE LAYOUT PLAN**

**Wedge-Tech**  
 ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS  
 1115 N. [unclear]  
 [unclear], IL 60138

**CHARTER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC**  
 953 SPRINGFIELD AVE SE  
 GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49506

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