

City of Detroit  
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Janice M. Winfrey  
City Clerk

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Deputy City Clerk

**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

*Wednesday, October 15, 2008*

*To: The Department or Commission Listed Below*

*From: Janice M. Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk*

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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.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT    DPW/TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

**3035**    *Woodkirk Associates, requesting permission to park in right-of-way in front of Kirkwood Apartment Complex located at 6015 through 6095 Southfield.*

RECEIVED  
OCT 28 2008

980  
126

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NOEL

3035

WOODKIRK ASSOCIATES  
31800 Northwestern Highway #310  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-1313 A 10 5b  
248/851-3111

October 8, 2008

The Honorable City Council  
Attn: Office of the City Clerk  
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Kirkwood House Apartments  
Parking- Right of Way

To Whom It May Concern:

The above referenced property is approximately 45 years old. The property has been owned by the current entity since 1969 and has been managed by Leader Management Company since that time. For the period mentioned our Detroit residents have always been allowed to park on the paved right of way that is in question without receiving parking violations.

**WHO & WHERE:**

I come before you today through this petition representing Woodkirk Associates which owns and operates the Kirkwood Apartment Complex located at 6015 through 6095 Southfield, Detroit, MI 48224. The property is located on the southbound Southfield Freeway service drive at the Ford road exit. The property sits between the service drive and Ashton Street just north of Kirkwood Street. The subject area of concern is located on Ashton Street.

**WHAT, WHEN & WHY:**

The reason for this petition is because of the City of Detroit's recent (June 2008) practice of issuing parking violations for cars that have been parking on the paved right of way directly in front of the building. The right of way on this side of the street (Ashton) has never been curbed and filled with grass like it is across the street. The right of way on the subject properties side of the street is and has always been a paved asphalt surface. Therefore the residents as well as contractors, delivery people, prospective residents etc. have been using this area to park their vehicles.

Kirkwood Apartments, which consists of 56 units, has three private parking areas within its property line. There is enough room for approximately 42 cars in these areas. We need additional parking areas that are convenient for the residents without the hassle of parking tickets every day. The street parking (On the right of way) has been and is a necessity to the successful operation of this property. We have been told that it is OK to park in the street but not on the right of way. This would mean that if and when cars park on the other side of the street and the allowed parking on our side of the street (Not on the right of way) would result in NO room to pass through with one car let alone an emergency vehicle.

We respectfully request permanent relief from parking violations at this site just as we have been functioning for the past 45 years. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Nathan Leader  
Managing Agent  
WOODKIRK ASSOCIATES

NL/hkl

Enc.

Cc: Alan Ackerman

PETITION NO. 3035  
 WOODKIRK ASSOCIATES  
 31800 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY #310  
 FARMINGTON HILLS, MI. 48334  
 C/O NATHANIAL LEADER  
 PHONE NO. 248 851 3111



**DAYTON 50 FT. WD.**

42	42	244	124
"	"	245	120.55C
"	"		118.83C
"	"	247	112.17C
"	"		115.41C
"	"	249	113.70C
"	"		111.99C
"	"	251	110.28C
"	"		108.57C
"	"	253	106.86C
"	"		105.15C
"	"	255	103.44C
"	"		101.73C
"	"	257	100.02C
42	42	258	98.31C
56.75	56.65	STATE	
		259	
		OWNED	
		96	

**ASHTON AVE. 50 FT. WD.**

**SOUTHFIELD FREEWAY WIDTH VARIES**

**KIRKWOOD AVE. 25 FT. WD.**



- AREA OF BERM USE

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

CARTO 98 D

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A					
DESCRIPTION		DRWN	CHKD	APPD	DATE
REVISIONS					
DRAWN BY	KM		CHECKED		
DATE	1-13-09		APPROVED		

REQUEST FOR BERM USE IN ASHTON AVE.  
 BETWEEN KIRKWOOD AVE. AND DAYTON

**CITY OF DETROIT**  
 CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

SURVEY BUREAU

JOB NO. 01-01

DRWG. NO. x3035dgn