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**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

*Wednesday, November 18, 2009*

*To: The Department or Commission Listed Below*

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*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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DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION    POLICE DEPARTMENT

**3924**    *U-Wash Development Company, LLC, request to vacate a portion of Prest St., north of the alley and south of 15325 W. Eight Mile Rd.*

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October 23, 2009

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

Attention: City Clerk

I represent the interests of U-Wash Development Company, LLC ("U-Wash") which owns property located at 15325 W. Eight Mile Road, Detroit, Michigan and the car wash property located to the west (on the other side of Prest Avenue ("Prest")).

The purpose of this letter is to request the Honorable City Council to vacate that part of Prest which is located between the two above properties (north of the alley and south of 8 Mile). Prest has already been vacated south of the alley and is privately owned. Prest ends just north of the U-Wash properties at the West Eight Mile service drive at the bridge.

Vacating that portion of Prest described above will benefit both the City and U-Wash. First, the benefit to the City will be the reduction of traffic on northbound Greenfield where vehicles can easily get backed up as a result of customers waiting in line on Greenfield to get their vehicles washed on a busy day. U-Wash will be able to remove these waiting vehicles from Greenfield Road and onto the U-Wash properties as follows: The vehicles will enter the property from north bound Greenfield (going in an easterly direction) and will proceed past the car wash building and past Prest onto the lot on the other side of Prest. They will then make a u-shaped turn to proceed west into the car wash building and then exit onto Greenfield. This will alleviate any tension by U-Wash customers waiting in line and all other vehicle traffic not waiting in line to get their vehicles washed.

In addition, U-Wash believes that the vacating of Prest as described above will significantly reduce crime in that particular area. U-Wash has itself experienced numerous armed robberies (the latest this October, 2009 where the robbers walked in from Prest into the car wash). It is commonly known amongst the area businesses, visitors and police that there is a lot of drug trafficking and prostitution in and around that location. Prest is often used as an escape route. It is U-Wash's intention to fence in the property and to have ingress and egress only from Greenfield Road. Since the south portion of Prest has already been vacated and Prest is not a through street to Eight Mile (Prest north of Eight Mile ends at the bridge), the vacating of that portion of Prest should not be a burden or inconvenience to the surrounding neighbors.

We appreciate any assistance you can provide in this matter.

Sincerely,

Linda G. Anderson

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cc: The Honorable Kenneth Cockrel, Jr.

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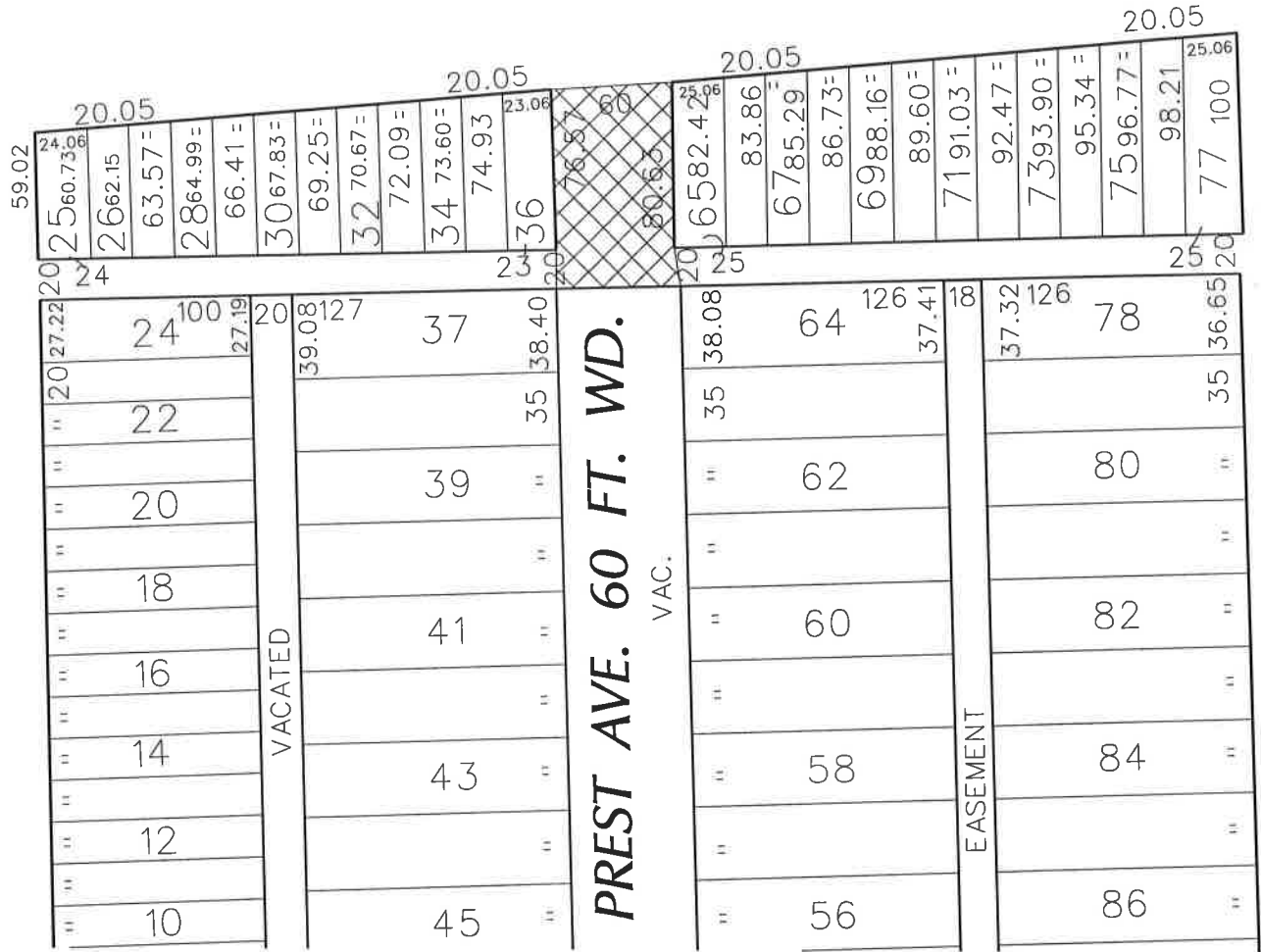
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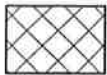


WEST EIGHT MILE 204 FT. WD.

GREENFIELD AVE. 113 FT. WD.



AUDREY AVE. 60 FT. WD.



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REQUEST TO VACATE  
 PREST SOUTH OF EIGHT MILE  
 TO SOUTH OF E/W ALLEY

CITY OF DETROIT  
 CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT  
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