

City of Detroit
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Janice M. Winfrey
City Clerk

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DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

To: *The Department or Commission Listed Below*

From: *Janice M. Winfrey, 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.

DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION

751 *Detroit Public Schools, request to vacate existing utility easements within previously vacated ROW bound by Cameron Avenues east ROW, Wellington Ave. south ROW, I-75 west ROW and vacated Euclid Ave. north ROW.*

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October 21, 2010

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

RE: Detroit Public Schools – New Public Safety Headquarters Building

ATTN: Office of the City Clerk

In November of 2009, residents of the City of Detroit cast their votes in support of Proposal 'S' allowing Detroit Public Schools the opportunity to undertake an ambitious \$500.5 million dollar capital improvement campaign. As part of this voter approved initiative, Detroit Public Schools is in the process of constructing a new Office of Public Safety Headquarter building located at 8500 Cameron Street in the heart of the city. This new facility will serve as a command center for the District's Police and Public Safety operations and is a critical new building scheduled for completion in December 2010.

It has recently come to our attention that the site, which has been District-owned for many decades, retains existing utility easements. These easements contain only combined sanitary and storm water sewer lines. Our project will abandon these lines in place and they will be solid-filled in a manner consistent with all applicable City of Detroit standards.

We are respectfully requesting that the City of Detroit vacate these utility easements within the previously vacated Right-of-Way. Please find the enclosed letter from Giffels-Webster Engineers, our design consultant, providing additional information about our request.

Detroit Public Schools is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and the community that we serve. We look forward to the City of Detroit's assistance in our efforts to complete this important new facility. Should you have any questions about this project, please contact my office directly: (313) 578-7408.

Sincerely,



Mark Carter
Executive Director, Capital Improvement Program
Detroit Public Schools

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Cc: Phil Clark, City of Detroit, Buildings & Safety Engineering Chief Electrical Inspector
Carol Rodriguez, Senior Associate General Counsel

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October 21, 2010

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

RE: Detroit Public Schools – Public Safety Headquarters - Easement Vacation

ATTN: Office of the City Clerk

On behalf of the Detroit Public Schools, as their design consultant, we hereby respectfully request that the City of Detroit vacate the existing utility easements within the previously vacated Rights-of-Way (R.O.W.) bound by Cameron Avenues east R.O.W., Wellington Avenue's south R.O.W., The I-75 Service Drive's west R.O.W. and the vacated Euclid Avenue's north R.O.W. The proposed DPS Public Safety Headquarters Building footprint is in conflict with these easements.

It is humbly requested that these easements be vacated as soon as possible.

We appreciate your assistance and if there is any additional information we can provide, please contact me at (313) 962-4442.

Respectfully,

Giffels-Webster Engineers, Inc.

Scott T. Clein, P.E., LEED A.P.
Associate

28 W. Adams, Suite 1200
Detroit, Michigan 48226
(313) 962-4442 Fax (313) 962-5068



January 20, 2011

Honorable City Council:

RE: Petition No. 751 – Detroit Public School, request to vacate existing utility easements within previously vacated R.O.W. bounded by Cameron Avenue, Wellington Avenue, Chrysler Freeway (I-75) and Euclid Avenue.


Petition No. 751 of “Detroit Public School” request the outright vacation of certain public rights-of-way (vacated and converted to easement on October 2, 1973 – J.C.C. Pgs. 2523-24) in the block bounded by Wellington Avenue, 60 feet wide, Euclid Avenue, 60 feet wide, Cameron Avenue, 60 feet wide and Walter P. Chrysler Freeway. This vacation is needed for the construction of a new Office of Public Safety Headquarter located at 8500 Cameron.

The request was approved by the Planning and Development Department, the Solid Waste Division – DPW, and the Traffic Engineering Division – DPW. The petition was referred to the City Engineering Division – DPW for investigation (utility clearance) and report. This is our report.

All other city departments and private utility companies have reported no objections to the changes of the public rights-of-way. Provisions protecting utility installations are part of this resolution (if necessary).

I am recommending adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,


Manilal Patel, Interim City Engineer
City Engineering Division - DPW

NRP:

Cc: Alfred Jordan, Director – DPW
Mayor’s Office - City Council Liaison

BY COUNCIL MEMBER _____

RESOLVED, All that part of Philadelphia Avenue, 50 feet wide, between and abutting the easterly line of Cameron Avenue, and the westerly line of the Chrysler Freeway as platted in Macklems Subdivision of lots 14 and 15, ¼ section 43, 10,000 Acre Tract, Hamtramck (now City of Detroit) Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 13, Page 97, Plats, Wayne County records;

Also, all that part of the east – west public alley, 14 feet wide, in the block bounded by Cameron Avenue, 60 feet wide, the Chrysler Freeway, Euclid Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Philadelphia Avenue, 60 feet wide abutting the rear line of lots 42 through 46, both inclusive, and lots 61 through 65, both inclusive Freeway as platted in Macklems Subdivision of lots 14 and 15, ¼ section 43, 10,000 Acre Tract, Hamtramck (now City of Detroit) Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 13, Page 97, Plats, Wayne County records;

Also, All that part of the North – South public alley, 16 feet, in the block bounded by Cameron Avenue, 60 feet wide, the Chrysler Freeway, Euclid Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Philadelphia Avenue, 60 feet wide abutting the rear line of lots 4 through 10, both inclusive, as platted in Macklems Subdivision of lots 14 and 15, ¼ section 43, 10,000 Acre Tract, Hamtramck (now City of Detroit) Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 13, Page 97, Plats, Wayne County records;

Also, all that part of the North – South public alley, 16 feet wide, in the block bounded by Cameron Avenue, 60 feet wide, the Chrysler Freeway, Wellington Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Philadelphia Avenue, 60 feet wide abutting the rear line of lots 11 through 17, both inclusive, as platted in Macklems Subdivision of lots 14 and 15, ¼ section 43, 10,000 Acre Tract, Hamtramck (now City of Detroit) Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 13, Page 97, Plats, Wayne County records;

Also, all that part of the East –West public alley, 14 feet wide, in the block bounded by Cameron Avenue, 60 feet wide, the Chrysler Freeway, Wellington Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Philadelphia Avenue, 60 feet wide abutting the rear line of lots 18 through 22, both inclusive and lots 37 through 41, both inclusive, as platted in Macklems Subdivision of lots 14 and 15, ¼ section 43, 10,000 Acre Tract, Hamtramck (now City of Detroit) Wayne County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 13, Page 97, Plats, Wayne County records;

Be and the same is hereby vacated (outright) as public rights-of-way to become part and parcel of the abutting property, subject to the following provisions;

PROVIDED, that the petitioner (Petition No. 751) shall design and construct proposed lateral sewers and to make the connections to the existing public sewers as required by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD); and further

PROVIDED, that the plans for the lateral sewers shall be prepared by a registered engineer; and further

PROVIDED, that DWSD be and is hereby authorized to review the drawings for the proposed lateral sewers and to issue permits for the construction of the lateral sewers; and further

PROVIDED, that the entire work is to be performed in accordance with plans and specifications approved by DWSD and constructed under the inspection and approval of DWSD; and further

PROVIDED, that the entire cost of the proposed lateral sewer construction, including inspection, survey and engineering shall be borne by the petitioner; and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner shall deposit with DWSD, in advance of engineering, inspection and survey, such amounts as the department deems necessary to cover the cost of these services; and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner shall grant to the City a satisfactory easement for the lateral sewers; and further

PROVIDED, that the Board of Water Commissioners shall accept and execute the easement grant on behalf of the City; and further

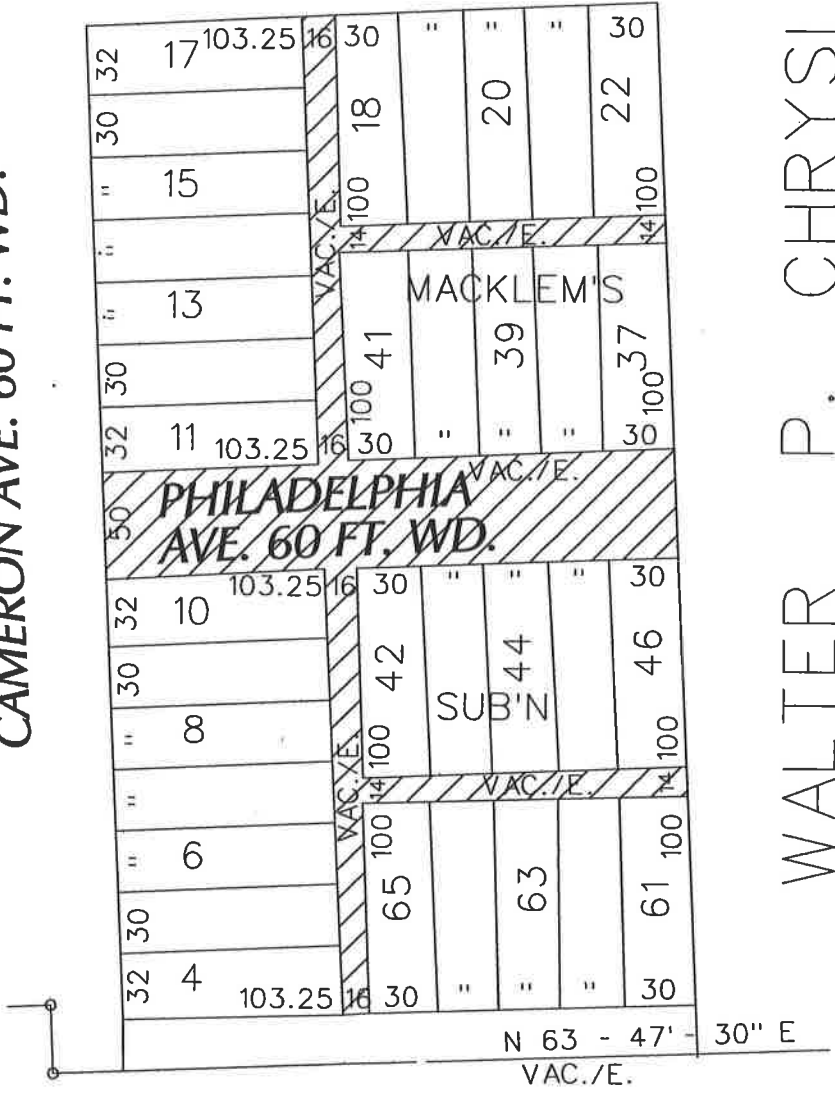
PROVIDED, that the upon satisfactory completion, the lateral sewers shall become City property and become part of the City system; and be it further

PROVIDED, That the City Clerk shall within 30 days record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds.



WELLINGTON AVE. 60 FT. WD.

CAMERON AVE. 60 FT. WD.



WALTER P. CHRYSLER
 FREEWAY

EUCLID AVE. 60 FT. WD.

- OUTRIGHT VACATION

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REQUEST OUTRIGHT VACATION
 ALL STREETS AND ALLEYS
 IN AREA BOUND BY
 CAMERON AVE., WELLINGTON AVE.,
 I-75 AND EUCLID AVE.

CITY OF DETROIT CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT SURVEY BUREAU	
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