

DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Friday, August 26, 2011

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 CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

2014 *Park-Rite, to vacate and convert to an easement that portion of First Street between 458-460 W. Lafayette Blvd. and 550 W. Lafayette Blvd.*



2014

Your Parking Connection

August 2, 2011

City Council
City of Detroit
Coleman A. Young Municipal center
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1340
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Re: Proposed vacation of a portion of First Street

Honorable City Council:

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The undersigned, Joseph J. Aubrey and Michael A. Aubrey, owners of the property located at 458-460 West Lafayette Boulevard, on behalf of themselves and Post-Newsweek Stations, Michigan, Inc. (WDIV), the owners of the property located at 550 West Lafayette Boulevard, respectfully request your approval to vacate and convert to an easement that portion of First Street (legal description of such portion is attached) between our respective properties from West Lafayette Boulevard northwest to the existing alley, all as is shown on the attached plan prepared by Stucky Vitale Architects (the "Plan").

CITY CLERK

We are co-owners of Park-Rite, Inc., which is based in the City of Detroit and has owned and operated parking lots in the City since 1975. We have owned this particular site at 458-460 West Lafayette Boulevard for over thirty years.

Park-Rite and its related and affiliated entities have become a prominent provider of parking services, operating nearly 60 locations and parking over 5,000,000 cars each year, primarily in the City of Detroit. We strive to provide excellent customer services, and our success is attributable to the fact that we tailor our parking solutions to maximize value for our clients.

As you may be aware, an adjacent portion of First Street was closed several years ago by the federal government, causing safety issues for our loyal customers and creating challenging logistics for our parking business. Additionally, as a result of the partial closing by the federal government, the remainder of First Street has become a visual eyesore and used on a regular basis for improper purposes.

We have met with our neighbors at WDIV and have reached an understanding regarding the development of the property to be vacated that we believe enhances both of our properties, as well as the entire neighborhood.

Our understanding regarding the improvements for the property, as shown on the Plan, includes the expansion of our existing parking lot, extensive landscaping, high-end fencing, enhanced, state-of-the-art lighting, replacement of cement and installation of concrete grass

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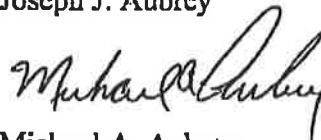
pavers. Not only will this property be improved, but we are hopeful that this will also stimulate other beautification and development initiatives in our neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. We are hopeful that you will approve our request and give us the opportunity to continue to invest in our neighborhood and extend our long-term commitment to the City of Detroit.

Sincerely,



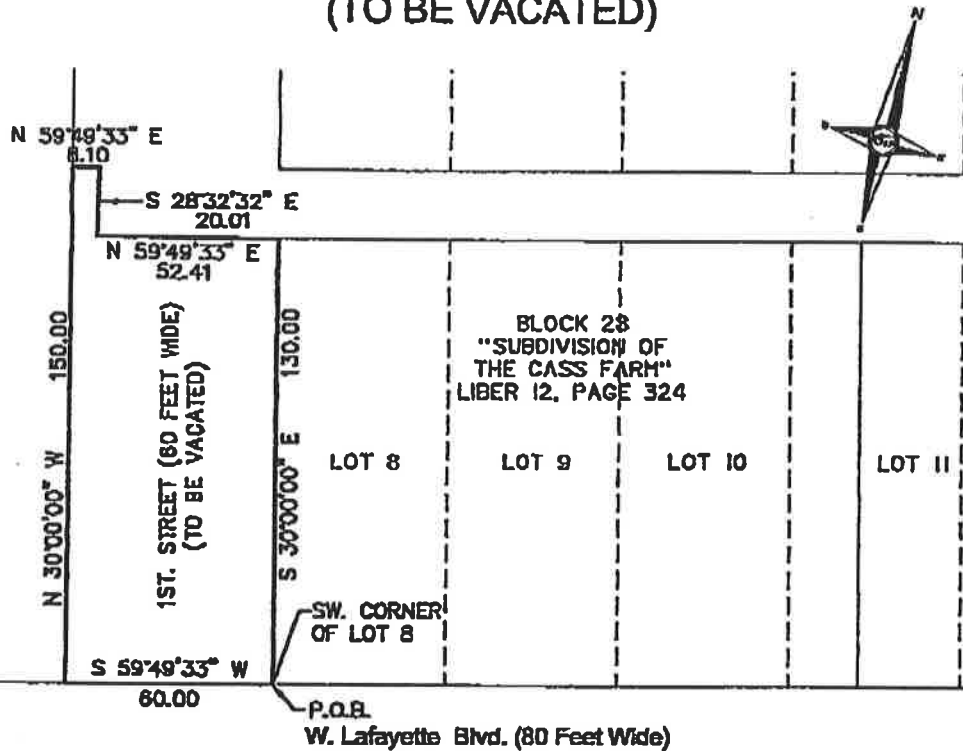
Joseph J. Aubrey



Michael A. Aubrey

C: Ms. Marla Drutz, WDIV

**PART OF 1ST. STREET
(TO BE VACATED)**



LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

PART OF VACATED 1 ST. STREET (80 FEET WIDE) ADJACENT TO LOT 8, BLOCK 28 OF "SUBDIVISION OF THE CASS FARM", AS RECORDED IN LIBER 12 OF PLATS, PAGE 324 OF THE WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS, CITY OF DETROIT, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEING DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE SW. CORNER OF SAID LOT 8; THENCE S. 59° 49' 33" W., 80.00 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF W. LAFAYETTE BLVD. (80 FEET WIDE); THENCE N. 30° 00' 00" W., 150.00 FEET; THENCE N. 59° 49' 33" E., 8.10 FEET; THENCE S. 28° 32' 32" E., 20.01 FEET; THENCE N. 59° 49' 33" E., 52.41 FEET; THENCE S. 30° 00' 00" E., 130.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 7,957 SQUARE FEET OR 0.183 ACRES.



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SCALE
1" = 40'

DATE
07-27-11

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FB05

SHEET
1 of 1

STATEMENT

The undersigned, POST-NEWSWEEK STATIONS, MICHIGAN, INC., the current owner of the property located at 550 West Lafayette Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan, 48226, understands and approves of the proposal from Joseph J. Aubrey and Michael A. Aubrey as described in their letter to City Council dated August 2, 2011 and as shown in the Plan and legal description attached thereto, consistent with the understanding of the parties for improvements to the property, to vacate that portion of First Street adjacent to our property from West Lafayette Boulevard northwest to the existing alley.

Dated: 8/3, 2011

POST-NEWSWEEK STATIONS, MICHIGAN, INC.

By: [Signature]

Its: WDIV-TV V.P. - 1/2 G.M.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3 day of AUGUST, 2011, a Notary Public

In and for WAYNE County, Michigan.

[Signature]
Notary Public

VERONICA FLOYD
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Macomb
My Commission Expires Oct. 17, 2015
Acting in the County of WAYNE

STATEMENT

The undersigned, JOSEPH J. AUBREY and MICHAEL A. AUBREY, the current owners of the property located at 458-460 West Lafayette Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan 48226, understand and approve of the proposal from the undersigned to vacate that portion of First Street adjacent to our property from West Lafayette Boulevard northwest to the existing alley.

Dated: 8-3 -, 2011

Joseph J. Aubrey
JOSEPH J. AUBREY

Michael A. Aubrey
MICHAEL A. AUBREY

Subscribed and sworn before me, this 3rd day of August, 2011, a Notary Public in and for Wayne County, Michigan.

Sandra K Sobotka

My commission expires: 10/24/2013

