

**City of Detroit**  
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Janice M. Winfrey  
City Clerk

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Deputy City Clerk

**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

*Wednesday, February 02, 2011*

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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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT    DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION  
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

**802**

*Giffels-Webster Engineers, public alley vacation request for the East Jefferson Neighborhood Project; bounded by lots 22-29 of Willis Subdivision of McDougall Farm and 30-37 of Walkers Tract, Walker Street to east, etc.*

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Giffels-Webster  
ENGINEERS

January 26, 2011

City Clerk's Office  
Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Two Woodward Avenue - Suite 200  
Detroit, MI 48226  
Via Fax: (313) 224-1466

Document Transmitted  
from GWE Office:

- Rochester Hills
- Detroit
- Washington Twp

Attn: Janice M. Winfrey, City Clerk

Re: Public Alley Vacation Request  
East Jefferson Neighborhood Project

GWE-# 17996.00D

Dear Ms. Winfrey,

Giffels-Webster Engineers, Inc. is requesting a petition to vacate the existing 20 ft. wide public alley lying east-west and bounded by lots 22-29 (of the Willis Subdivision of the McDougall Farm) and 59-66 (of the Walkers Tract) to the north, Walker Street to the east, lots 67-74 (of the Walkers Tract) and 30-37 (of the Willis Subdivision of the McDougall Farm) to the south, and McDougall Avenue to the west as shown on the attached Exhibit A.

Please review this matter and notify us once the City Council has made a decision. If you have any questions, or require additional information, feel free to contact me at (586) 781-8950. A faxed copy of this request has been sent to your office, with a hard copy to follow in the mail. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,  
Giffels-Webster Engineers, Inc.

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GIFFELS-WEBSTER ENGINEERS, INC.



Mike Kozak, PE  
Sr. Project Manager

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Outright Vacation

cc: Nathan Keup, Presbyterian Villages of Michigan

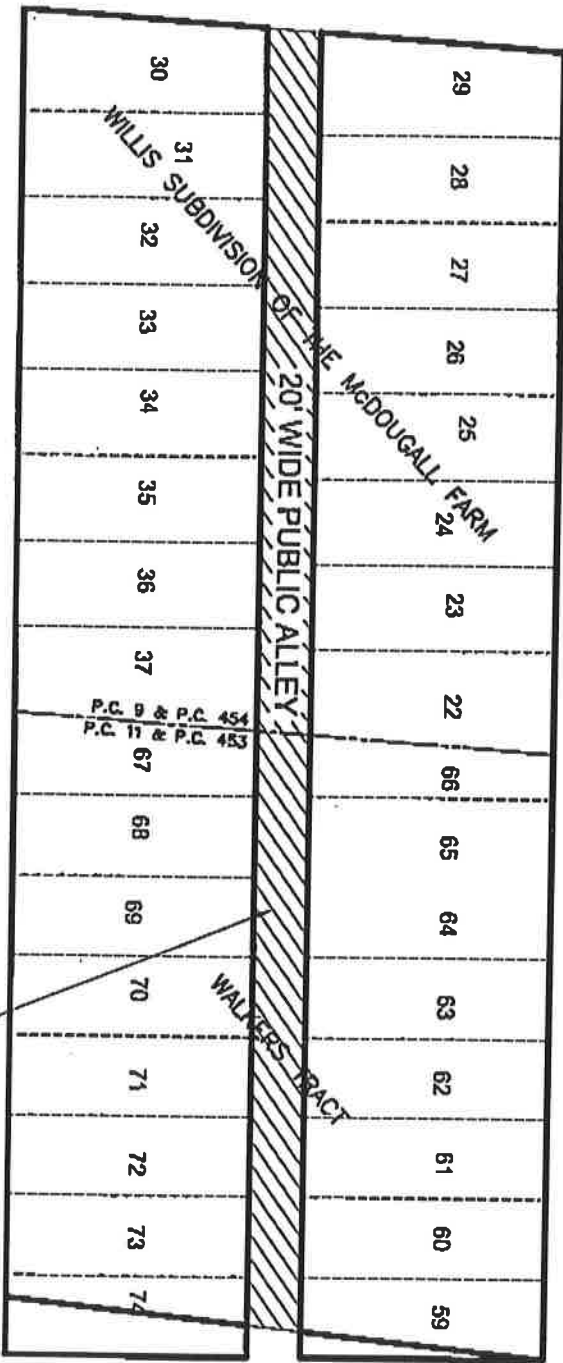
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McDOUGALL AVENUE (60 FEET WIDE)

FRANKLIN STREET (50 FEET WIDE)



WIGHT STREET (50 FEET WIDE)

ALLEY TO BE VACATED

WALKER STREET (50 FEET WIDE)

EXHIBIT A - ALLEY VACATION SKETCH



June 7, 2011

Honorable City Council:

RE: Petition No. 802 – Giffels-Webster Engineers, request for vacation of public alley in the East Jefferson Neighborhood Project; bounded by lots 22-29 of Willis Subdivision of McDougall Farm and 30 – 37 of Walkers Tract, Walker Street to east.

Petition No 802 of “Giffels-Webster Engineers” on behalf of Presbyterian Village of Michigan request for the outright vacation of the public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by Franklin Street, 50 feet wide, Wight Street, 50 feet wide, McDougall Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Walker Street, 50 feet wide. This request will facilitate the construction of new state of the art Senior Citizens Apartment and Assistance Living Building.

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.

DTE Energy Electric Division reports that the estimated cost of removing and/or rerouting the electric service is \$30,500.00.

The Petitioner “Giffels-Webster Engineers” on behalf of their client Presbyterian Village of Michigan has provided to the City Engineering Division of DPW a letter of commitment from the Presbyterian Village of Michigan signed by Nathan Keup, Director of Real Estate Development agreeing to pay all cost of relocation and removal of all utilities listed above or any others lying within the existing public alley located within the project area. The letter is dated June 6, 2011 addressed to Mr. Noel Perry, Supervisor of Maps and Records, City Engineering Division, DPW, 65 Cadillac Square, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

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,

Richard Doherty, City Engineer  
City Engineering Division – DPW

NRP/

Cc: Ron Brundidge, Director – DPW  
Mayor's Office – City Council Liaison

WHEREAS, "Giffels-Webster Engineers" on behalf of Presbyterian Village of Michigan request to outright vacate the public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by Franklin Street, 50 feet wide, Wight Street, 50 feet wide, McDougall Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Walker Street, 50 feet wide, in order to facilitate the construction of the Senior Citizens Apartment and Assistance Living Building; and

WHEREAS, The Petitioner "Giffels-Webster Engineers" on behalf of their client Presbyterian Village of Michigan has provided to the City Engineering Division of DPW a letter of commitment from the Presbyterian Village of Michigan signed by Nathan Keup, Director of Real Estate Development agreeing to pay all cost of relocation and removal of all utilities listed above or any others lying within the existing public alley located within the project area. The letter is dated June 6, 2011 addressed to Mr. Noel Perry, Supervisor of Maps and Records, City Engineering Division, DPW, 65 Cadillac Square, Detroit, Michigan 48226; therefore be it

RESOLVED, All that part of the East – West public alley, 20 feet wide, in the block bounded by Franklin Street, 50 feet wide, Wight Street, 50 feet wide, McDougall Avenue, 60 feet wide, and Walker Street, 50 feet wide, lying Southerly of and abutting the South line of Lots 22 through 29, both inclusive, and lying Northerly of and abutting the North line of Lots 30 through 37, both inclusive, all in the "Plat of Willis's Subdivision on the McDougall Farm being the Eastern ½ of P.C. 9 and 454 between Jefferson Avenue and Wight Street, December 7, 1863, T.F. Monroe Surveyor" as recorded in Liber 1, Page 130, Plats, Wayne County Records; Also lying Southerly of and abutting the South line of Lots 59 through 66, both inclusive, and lying Northerly of and abutting the North Line of Lots 67 through 74, both inclusive, all in the "Plat of the Walker Tract being that part of P.C.'s 11 and 453 and Lot 1 of the Subdivision of Hunt Farm lying between Jefferson Avenue and Wight Street, March 9<sup>th</sup> 1857, Detroit" as recorded in Liber 1 Page 10, 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 owns all the property service by the sewer in the alley and bulkhead the sewer in the alley to assure no additional wastewater is transported to DWSD's sewers; and

Provided, that if there is a cost for removing and/or rerouting utility installations in said requested area the petitioner and its assigns/heirs will pay all cost, and

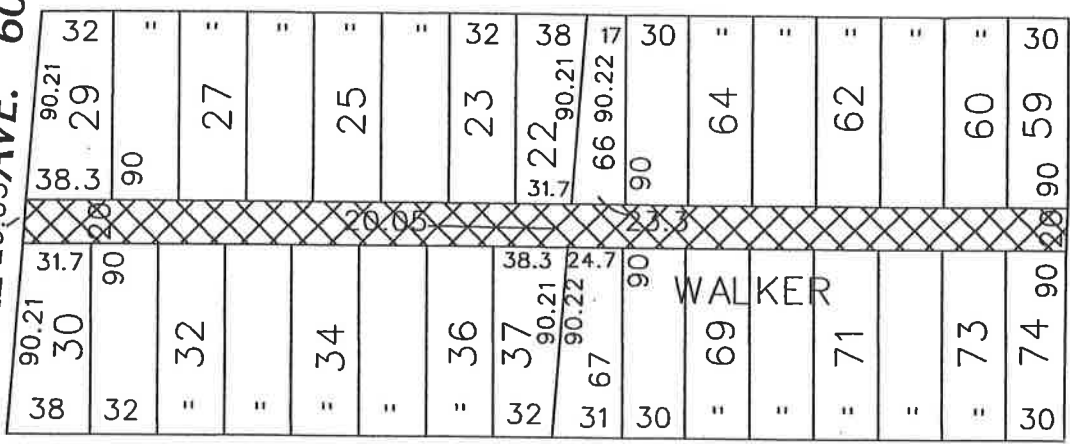
PROVIDED, That the City Clerk shall within 30 days record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds, and

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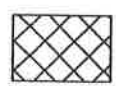
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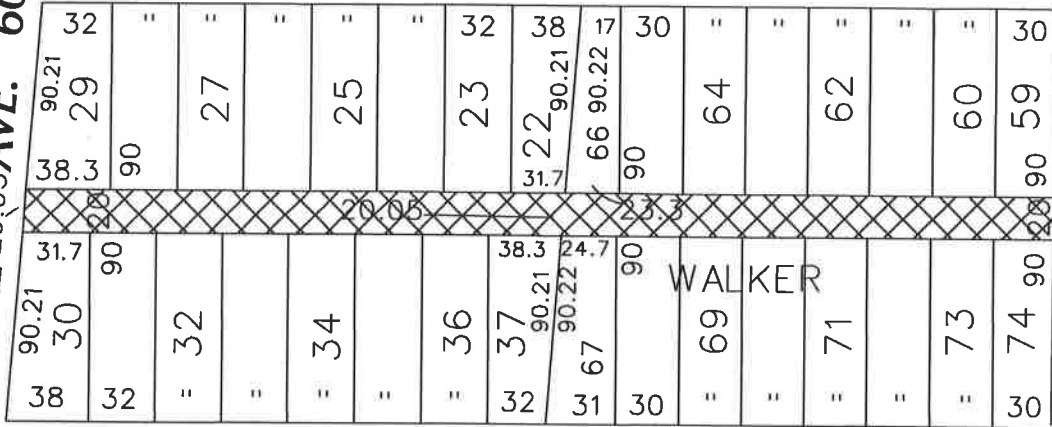
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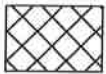
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