

City of Detroit  
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Janice M. Winfrey  
City Clerk

Vivian A. Hudson  
Deputy City Clerk

**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

*Monday, February 27, 2012*

*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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DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION    WATER & SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT

**2221**    *Lormax Stern, requesting release of easements conflicting with the construction of a Meijer's store in the area of Grand River, Burgess, Verne and West McNichols.*

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February 21, 2012

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

And

Mr. Brian Ellison  
Business Advocate  
Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Dept.  
Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
2 Woodward - Room 407  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

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CITY CLERK

Re: Petition for vacation of easements.

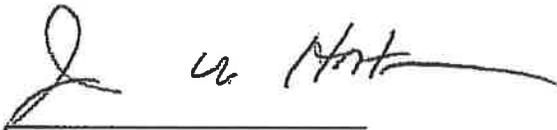
Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are under contract with Meijer, Inc. to redevelop the captioned property for a Meijer store. In December, 2011, the property was rezoned by the City Council for a Planned Development for a Meijer store and related facilities. Our closing is imminent, subject to vacation of the following easements which conflict with proposed buildings and other improvements in the Meijer PD Site Plan:

1. Easements reserved in the streets and alleys vacation resolution enacted by the City and recorded in Liber 18596, Page 8 of Wayne County Records on April 11, 1973.
2. Easement No 74-10 recorded in Liber 19183, Page 876 of Wayne County Records on August 27, 1975.
3. Easements reserved in the streets and alleys vacation resolution enacted by the City and recorded in Liber 21402, Page 572 of Wayne County Records on May 28, 1982.

Very truly yours,

LORMAX STERN – DETROIT DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC



Jason M Horton  
Member and Authorized Agent



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Easement No. 71-10  
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L19183-876

AGREEMENT AND GRANT OF EASEMENT  
FOR  
WATER MAINS AND SEWERS

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 21st day of October 1976, by and between the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Detroit, (5057 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48202), a Michigan public corporation and State agency, party of the first part; and the CITY OF DETROIT, a Michigan municipal corporation by and through its BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS (735 Randolph Street, Detroit, Michigan), party of the second part; hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "BOARD".

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the party of the first part is the owner of all interests in the land from which the easement is to be created;

NOW, THEREFORE, the party of the first part for the consideration of the sum One Dollar (\$1.00), paid in hand by the party of the second part, the receipt thereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, does hereby agree and covenant with the party of the second part as follows:

1. The party of the first part does hereby grant, convey and confirm unto the party of the second part an easement, twenty (20) feet wide, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, operating, inspecting, replacing and/or repairing water mains and sewers and their appurtenances therein which said easement is described and shown in Exhibits "A", "B", and "C" attached hereto and made a part hereof. Said easement is located adjacent to the Radford Senior High School, 21431 Grand River Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48219, being in the area generally bounded by Grand River Avenue, Chapel Avenue, Verno Avenue, and Westbrook Avenue.
2. The party of the first part hereby agrees that no building or structure, or any part thereof, of any nature whatsoever, shall be erected, constructed or permitted within the limits of the aforesaid easement set forth in Exhibits "A", "B", and "C" without the prior written approval of the BOARD, or its agent or agents, and that the easements shall be kept free at all times from any and all obstructions or obstacles, such as wells, fences, hedges, etc., which would impede free and easy access by the party of the second part and its necessary equipment to the said water mains, sewers and appurtenances; and that it will not alter the acceptable grades as noted on Exhibit "C" without the prior written approval of the BOARD, or its agent or agents, and if any building or structure is erected within the limits of said easement without the prior written approval of the BOARD, the party of the second part, or its agent or agents, are hereby

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WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN 48226

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authorized to enter upon the said easement and dismantle and remove any and all parts of any building or structure, etc., as erected or constructed thereon; and further agrees to waive all claims for damages against the party of the second part or any agent or agents thereof due to trespass or damage resulting from such dismantling, or removal, and to reimburse the party of the second part for the costs involved. Restoration of dismantled and removed structures and obstructions shall be by the party of the first part.

3. The BOARD, or its agent or agents, reserves the right to install suitable permanent sewer or water main location guideposts over its facilities at reasonable intervals and at any points of deflection within said easement.
4. The party of the first part hereby grants and conveys to the BOARD all water pipes, water mains, sewers and underground equipment and appurtenances for sewer and water facilities together with all hydrants now installed or which may hereinafter be installed within the limits of the easement as described in this agreement.
5. The party of the first part agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City of Detroit, its officers, employees and agents from liability upon any and all claims for damages on account of this agreement, and shall assume the defense and bear all costs and expenses of all suits which may be brought against the City of Detroit, its officers, employees or agents by reason of this agreement; PROVIDED, however, that nothing contained herein may be construed as rendering the party of the first part liable for acts of negligence of the party of the second part, its officers, employees or agents, as well as all costs and expenses of all suits which may be brought against the City of Detroit for such acts of negligence.
6. The parties hereto shall comply with all applicable fair employment practices, laws and ordinances, and require similar compliance by all parties contracted with pursuant to this agreement. Failure to so comply or to require compliance may be considered a material breach of this agreement.

THIS AGREEMENT shall inure to and be binding upon the heirs, successors or assigns of both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their names and affixed their seals as of the day and year first above written.

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WITNESSES:

CITY OF DETROIT, by its  
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Harriet E. Abramsen By: Carrie J. Thompson  
Harriet E. Abramsen

Carrie J. Thompson, President

Nancy Branson By: Ernest Cudroni  
Nancy Branson

Ernest Cudroni, General Manager

Michael W. Korwin  
ATTEST: Michael W. Korwin 7-29-75  
Deputy City Clerk

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF THE CITY OF DETROIT

WITNESSES:

Eva L. Richey  
Eva L. Richey

By: Cornelius L. Gollightly  
Cornelius L. Gollightly, President

Dorothy M. Rounselle  
Dorothy M. Rounselle

By: Sylvia B. Morosan  
Sylvia B. Morosan, Assistant Secretary

Prepared By:

R. R. Sogga  
1010 City-County Building  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Approved as to Form  
By: John L. Perenicis  
John L. Perenicis - Attorney

CITY OF DETROIT  
Leon H. Michison  
Leon H. Michison, Director  
Purchasing Div., Finance Dept.

JAN 27 1975

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION  
UPON EXECUTION BY CERNICHO DIRECTOR  
John L. Perenicis  
CERNICHO DIRECTOR

Pls. return: Board of Water Commissioners  
506 Water Board Building  
Detroit, MI 48226 (H. Abramsen)





April 16, 2012

Honorable City Council:

RE: Petition No. 2221 - Lormax Stern, requesting release of easements conflicting with the construction of a Meijer's store in the area of Grand River, Burgess, Vern and West McNichols.

Petition No. 2221 "Lormax Stern", whose address is 6755 Daly Road, West Bloomfield, Michigan 48322, request the outright vacation of Chapel Avenue, 50 feet wide, (previously converted into an subsurface easement on April 14, 1982 - J.C.C. Pages 905-06) and the remaining portion of the north - south public alley, 18.00 feet wide, (previously converted into an easement on August 28, 1973 - J.C.C. Pages 2206-07) all in the block bounded by West McNichols Road, 120 feet wide, Vern Avenue, 50 feet wide, Burgess Avenue, 50 feet wide, and Westbrook Avenue, 50 feet wide. This outright vacation is needed in order to make the site a build able parcel of land to develop and/or construct the Meijer's Store.

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.

Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) report a sewer and a water main within Chapel Avenue and sewer within the request north - south alley. However, DWSD has no objection if the petitioner agrees to relocate the sewers and water mains in accordance with the attached provisions for sewer relocation at no cost to DWSD.

DTE Energy Gas Division, report existing 16-inch gas main located within the requested outright vacation portion of Chapel Avenue, DTE will terminate all further interest within said area when DTE has completed its relocation plan provided that a replacement easement is granted to DTE in the area where the 16-inch gas line is to be located.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Richard Doherty".

Richard Doherty, City Engineer  
City Engineering Division – DPW

NRP/

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

BY COUNCIL MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLVED, All that part of the north – south public alley, 20 feet wide, (previously converted into an easement on August 28, 1973 – J.C.C. Pages 2206-07) first Westerly of Westbrook Avenue and North of Vern Avenue, lying Westerly of and abutting the West line of Lots 40 to 50, both inclusive, and the Southerly ten feet of Lot 39 of the Grand River Suburban Subdivision as recorded in Liber 35, Page 16, Plats, Wayne County records;

Also, all that part of Chapel Avenue, 50 feet wide, lying between and abutting the north line of Vern Avenue and the south line of West McNichols Road as platted in the Cherry Subdivision of part of the north 15 acres of the east 30 acres of the Section 15, T.1S., R.10E., Redford Village, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 41, Page 79, 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 petitioner make satisfactory arrangements with any and all utility companies for cost of removing and/or relocating such services; and further

PROVIDED, that the Petitioner (Petition No. 2221) shall design and construct proposed sewers and water mains and to make the connections to the existing public sewers and water mains as required by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) prior to construction of the proposed sewers and water mains, and further

PROVIDED, that the plans for the sewer and water mains shall be prepared by a registered engineer, and further

PROVIDED, that DWSD be and is hereby authorized to review the drawings for the proposed sewers and water mains and to issue permits for the construction of the 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 sewer and water mains 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 costs of these services; and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner shall grant to the City a satisfactory easement for the sewers and water mains, 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 petitioner shall provide DWSD with as-built drawings on the proposed sewers and water mains, and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner shall provide a one (1) year warranty for the proposed sewers and water main, and further

PROVIDED, that upon satisfactory completion, the sewer and water mains shall become City property and become part of the City System, and any existing sewers and water mains that were abandon shall belong to the petitioner and will no longer be the responsibility of the City, and further

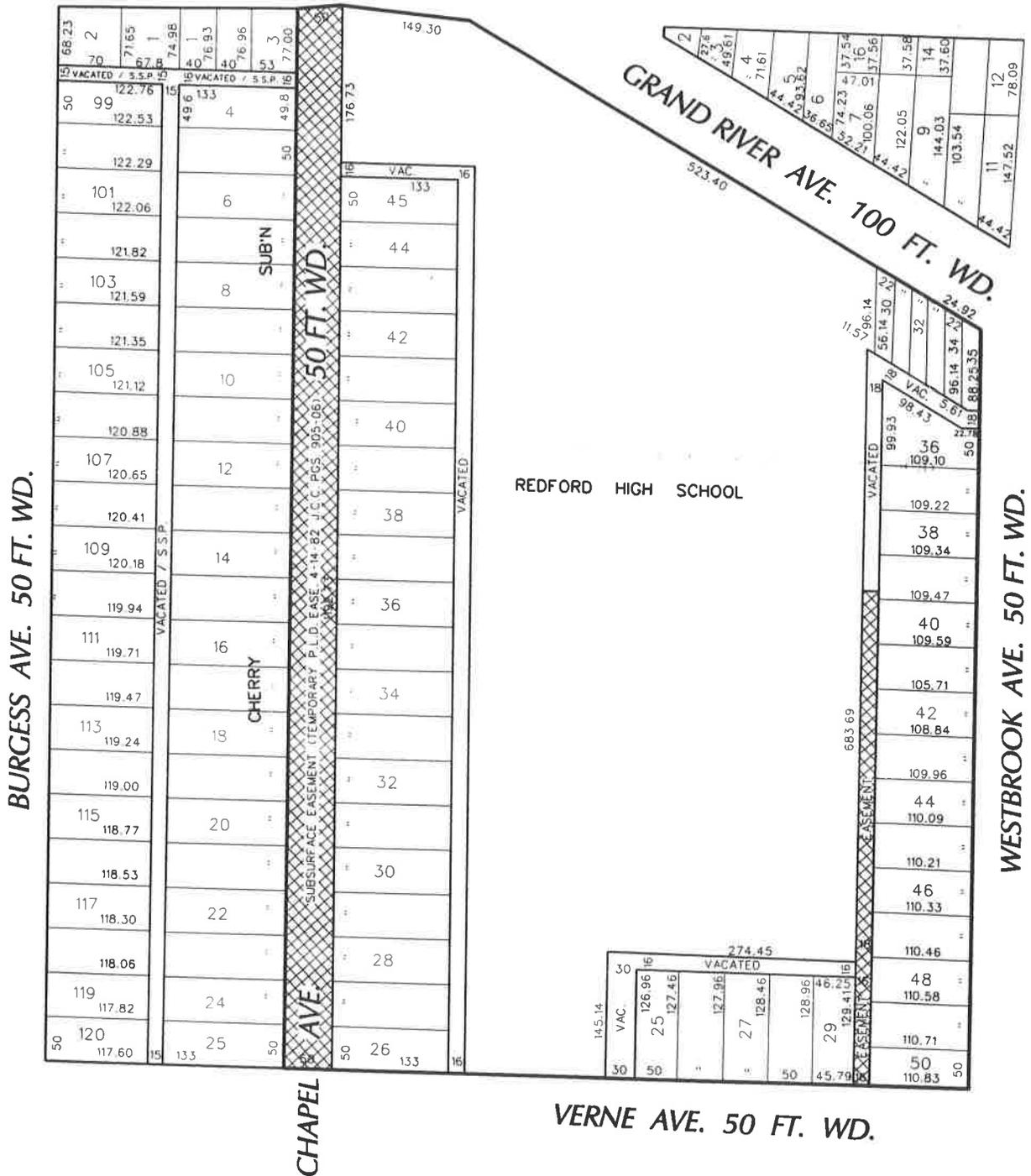
PROVIDED, that a replacement easement is granted to DTE in the area where the 16-inch gas line is to be relocated within from the petitioner and/or property owner, and further

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

PETITION NO. 2221  
 LORMAX STERN  
 6755 DALY ROAD  
 WEST BLOOMFIELD MICHIGAN 48322  
 PHONE NO.: 248 737 4041  
 FAX NO.: 248 737 5198  
 C/O JASON M. HORTON



McNICHOLS ROAD 120 FT. WD.



- AREA TO OUTRIGHT VACATE

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

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**REQUEST TO OUTRIGHT VACATE  
 CERTAIN PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAYS  
 IN AREA SOUTH OF McNICHOLS  
 NORTH OF VERNE AND BETWEEN  
 BURGESS AND WESTBROOK**

CITY OF DETROIT  
 CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT  
 SURVEY BUREAU

JOB NO. 01-01

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