



City of Detroit  
Inter-Departmental Communication

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**TO:** Richard Doherty, City Engineer  
City Engineering/Department of Public Works

**FROM:** Debra Singleton, Manager II  
Detroit Water and Sewerage Department

**DATE:** July 27, 2015

**RE:** Petition No. 531 Revised  
Request to Outright Vacate a Portion of Watson and Various Public Alleys  
and Request to Convert to Easement a Portion of Erskine St.  
in the Area Bound by Erskine, St. Aubin, Wilkins, and Dequindre Cut

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We have reviewed the above Petition received by this office on February 11, 2015. With regard to DWSD's interests, our comment is as follows:

- Our records indicate that there are water mains and sewers in requested areas of vacation. DWSD objects to the vacations. However, DWSD has no objections if the petitioner agrees to relocate the water mains and sewers in accordance to the attached Provisions for Relocation at no cost to DWSD.
- DWSD has no objections to the Conversion to Easement of a portion of Erskine St. provided the attached Provisions for Conversion to Easement are followed.

If you have any questions, please call me at (313) 267-8309.

Sincerely,

Debra Singleton  
Manager II  
Claims and Permits

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Attachments

CC: Cheryl Porter, WBB  
Mohamad Farhat, CSF

Michael Duggan, Mayor

**City of Detroit  
City Engineering Division, Department of Public Works  
Survey Bureau**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN PROPERTY**

**Date:** 02/10/2015

**Petition:** x531

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AT&T Telecommunication                         |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cable Television (CATV)                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vacation               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Detroit Edison (DTE)                           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Consolidated Gas (DTE)                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conversion to Easement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Department                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedication                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning & Development Department              |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Lighting Authority                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Encroachment                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Lighting Dept. - Communication Division |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Lighting Dept. - Overhead Line Division |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Lighting Dept. - Underground Division   | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Closing                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Police Department                              |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Department                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Berm Use                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sanitation Division, DPW                       |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street Design Bureau, DPW                      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street Maintenance Division, DPW               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street and Traffic Division, DPW               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water and Sewerage Dept. - Sewer Design        |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water and Sewerage Dept. - Water Design        |  |

A petition drawing is attached. Property shown on the attached print is proposed to be changed as indicated.

Kindly report (using the back of this sheet) the nature of your services (if any) affected by the proposed change and the estimated costs of removing and rerouting such services (if necessary).

Please return one copy to City Engineering Division, DPW. Retain one copy and print for you file.

Ron Brundidge, Director, Department of Public Works

By: Richard Doherty, CED DPW  
City Engineer

**TO: City Engineering Division, DPW  
65 Cadillac Square, Suite 900  
Detroit, Michigan 48226-2873  
Survey Bureau: 313-224-3970**

x531

The proposed change in property (referred to on the other side of this sheet) would affect our services as follows:

- Not Involved
- Involved; but asking you to hold action on this petition until further notice.
- Involved; but no objections to the property change.
- Involved; but no objections to the property change...provided as easement of the full width of the public right-of-way (street, alley or other public place) is reserved.
- Involved; the nature of our services and the estimated costs of removing and/or rerouting such services are:

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(Utility or City Department)

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By

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Area code – Telephone number

PETITION NO. 531  
 JAFFE, RAITT, HEUER & WEISS  
 C/O 1903 WILKINS, LLC  
 27777 FRANKLIN RD. SUTIE 2500  
 SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN 48034  
 C/O J. PARKER IHRIE, ESQ.  
 PHONE NO. 248 727-1428

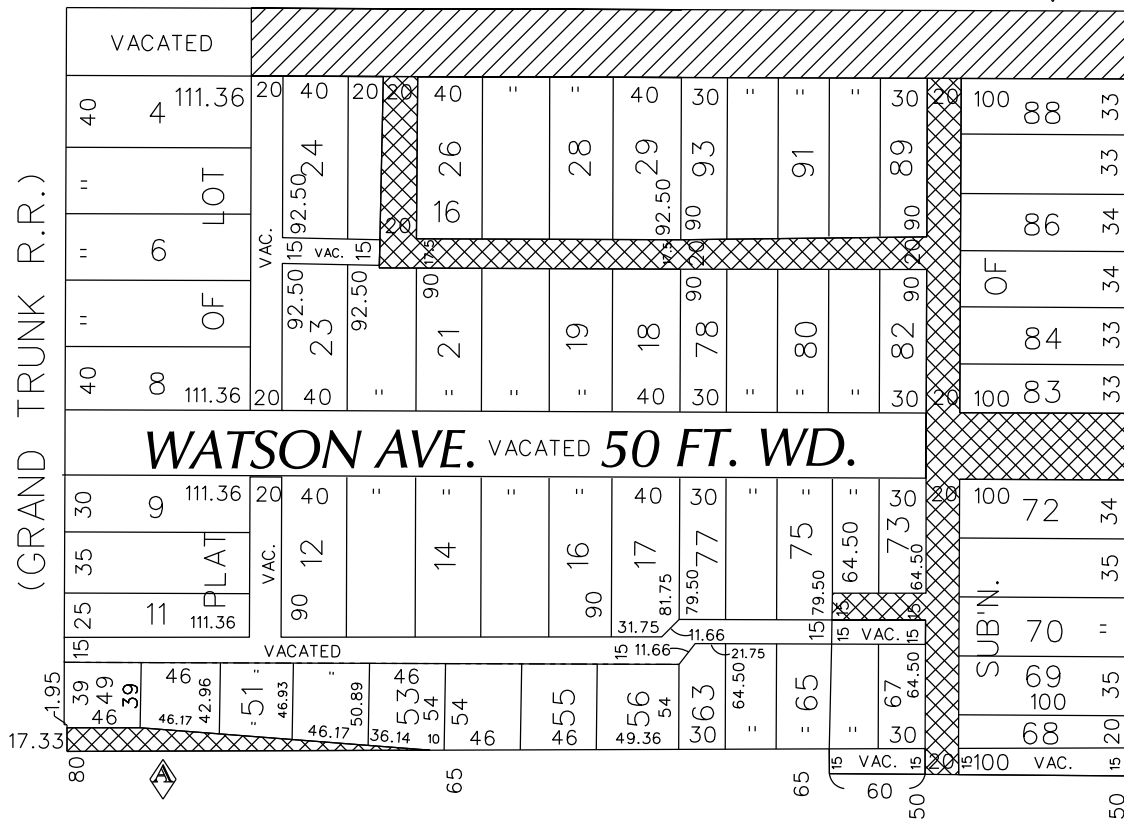


**"REVISED"**

**ERSKINE AVE. 50 FT. WD.**

**DEQUINDRE CUT 70 FT. WD.**

(GRAND TRUNK R.R.)



**ST. AUBIN AVE. 50 FT. WD.**

**WILKINS AVE. 50 FT. WD.**



- REQUESTED CONVERSION TO EASEMENT



- REQUESTED VACATION

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

CARTO 39 B

<b>B</b>	REVISE: ADDING A PORTION OF ERSKINE ST. TO REQUEST AN CONVERSION TO EASEMENT REQUESTED ON 5/13/2015.	WLW	KSM	KSM	5/13/15
<b>A</b>	REVISE: ADDING A PORTION OF WILKINS ST. TO REQUEST TO OUTRIGHT VACATE. REQUESTED ON 3/11/2015.	WLW	KSM	KSM	3/23/15
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>		<b>DRWN</b>	<b>CHKD</b>	<b>APPD</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>REVISIONS</b>					
<b>DRAWN BY</b>	WLW	<b>CHECKED</b>			
<b>DATE</b>	02-09-14	<b>APPROVED</b>			

REQUEST TO OUTRIGHT VACATE A PORTION OF WATSON AVE. 50 FT. WD., A PORTION OF WILKINS AVE. AND VARIOUS PUBLIC ALLEYS, VARIOUS WIDTHS AND REQUEST TO CONVERSION TO EASEMENT A PORTION ERSKINE AVE., 50 FT. WD. BOUND BY ERSKINE, ST. AUBIN, WILKINS AVE. AND DEQUINDRE CUT

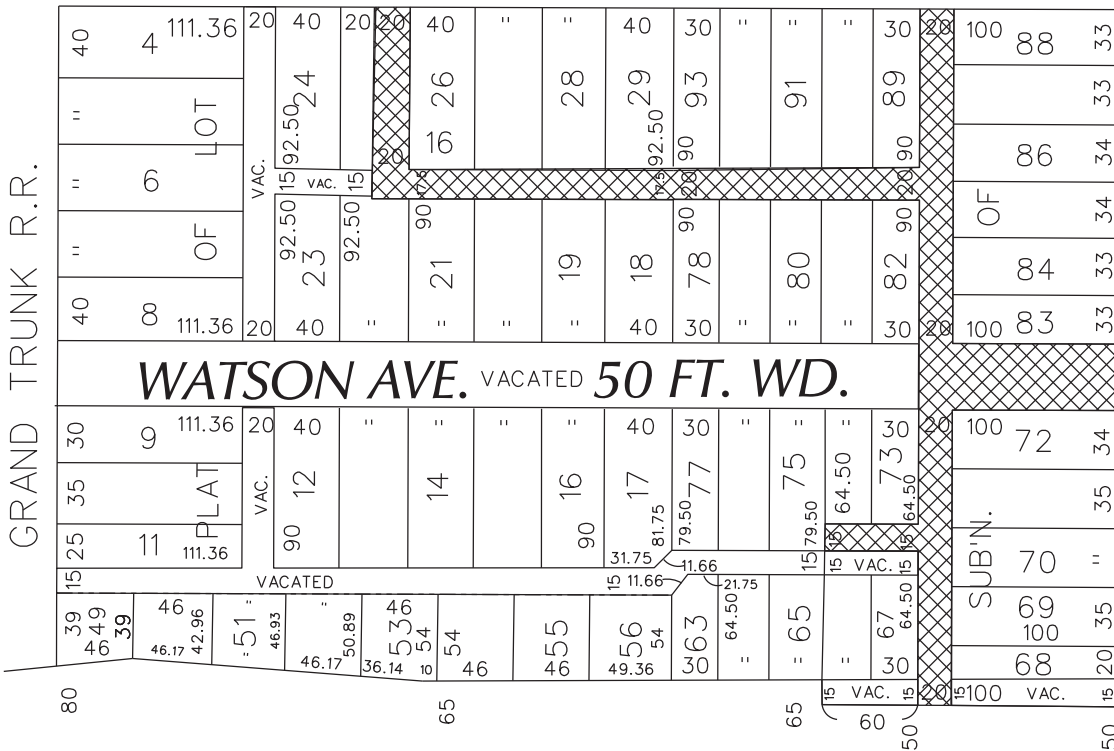
<b>CITY OF DETROIT</b>	
<b>CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT</b>	
<b>SURVEY BUREAU</b>	
<b>JOB NO.</b>	01-01
<b>DRWG. NO.</b>	X 531

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DEQUINDRE CUT 70 FT. WD.

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**Detroit Water & Sewerage Department**  
**Provisions for Relocation Due to Vacation for Petition No 531**

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Provided that the petitioner 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,

Provided that the plans for the sewers 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 sewers 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 sewers and water mains shall become City property and become part of the City system. And any existing sewers and water mains that were abandoned shall belong to the petitioner and will no longer be the responsibility of the City.

06/30/14

## PROVISIONS FOR CONVERSION TO EASEMENT

1. An easement, the full width of the existing right of way, is reserved for the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department for the purpose of installing, maintaining, repairing, removing, or replacing any sewers, water mains, fire hydrants and appurtenances, with the right of ingress and egress at any time to, and over said easement for the purpose above set forth.

Free and easy access to the sewers, water mains, fire hydrants and appurtenances within the easement is required for Detroit Water and Sewerage Department equipment, including the use of backhoes, bull dozers, cranes or pipe trucks, and other heavy construction equipment, as necessary for the alteration or repair of the sewer or water main facilities.

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department retains the right to install suitable permanent main location guide posts over its water mains at reasonable intervals and at points of deflection.

2. Said owners of the adjoining property, for themselves, their heirs and assigns, agree that no building or structure of any nature whatsoever, including fences, porches, patios, balconies, etc., shall be built upon or over said easement, or that no grade changes or storage of materials shall be made within said easement without prior written approval and agreement with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department.
3. If at any time in the future, the owners of any lots abutting on said vacated right of way shall request the removal and/or relocation of the aforementioned utilities in said easement, such owners shall pay all costs incident to such removal and/or relocation. It is further provided that if sewers, water mains, and/or appurtenances in said easement shall break or be damaged as a result of any action on the part of the owner, or assigns, then in such event, the owner or assigns shall be liable for all costs incident to the repair of such broken or damaged sewers and water mains, and shall also be liable for all claims for damages resulting from his action.

These provisions shall be made part of the City Council's Vacating Resolution.

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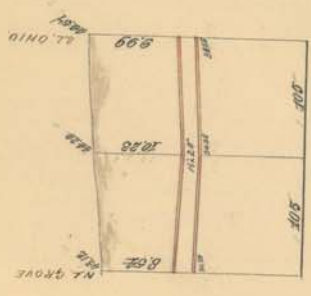






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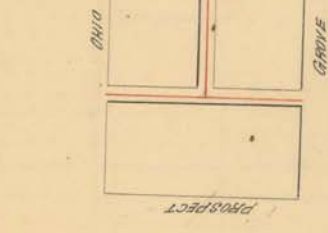
LATERAL SEWER IN ALLEY  
Betw Ohio Grove Prospect and Russell Sts.



Horizontal, 1" = 100 FT.  
Vertical, " = 10 "



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Price per foot 65c.

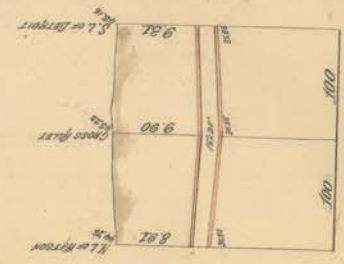


Actual length of Sewer 615 Feet  
Size " " " 16" x 20"  
Grade " " " 0.60 per 100 FT.

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LATERAL SEWER IN ALLEY  
Betw Detroit Watson Dequindre and St Aubin Ave



Horizontal, (No Inch) = 100 FT.  
Vertical, " = 10 "

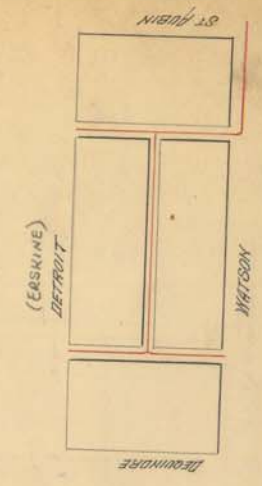


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Actual length of Sewer 965 Feet  
Size " " " 18" x 20"  
Grade " " " 0.60 per 100 FT.



18 x 24"  
25 x 20"