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**DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION**

*Monday, February 22, 2016*

*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

**981** *Giffels Webster, request to vacate portion of the surface of public alley Right-of-Way within the blocks bounded by Grand River Avenue, W. Adams Avenue, Clifford St., and W. Columbia Street.*



February 12, 2016

HAND DELIVER

Honorable Detroit City Council  
C/o Detroit City Clerk  
2 Woodward Avenue  
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

RE: Giffels Webster - Request to vacate portion of the surface of public alley Rights-of-Way within the blocks bounded by Grand River Avenue, W Adams Avenue, Clifford Street, and W Columbia Street.

Giffels Webster, 28 W. Adams, Suite 1200, Detroit, Michigan 48226 on behalf of Olympia Development of Michigan, LLC, 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, 48201 respectfully requests that the City of Detroit vacate the surface of the following Rights-of-Way while retaining an easement for utilities:

- The public alley, 20 feet in width, within the block bound by Grand River Avenue (100 feet wide), W. Columbia Street (60 feet wide), Cass Avenue (71 feet wide) and W. Elizabeth Street (60 feet wide).
- The public alley, 20 feet in width, within the block bound by Grand River Avenue (100 feet wide), W. Elizabeth Street (60 feet wide), Cass Avenue (71 feet wide), and W. Adams Avenue (60 feet wide).
- The public alley, 20 feet in width, within the block bound by Cass Avenue (71 feet wide), W. Columbia Street (60 feet wide), Clifford Street (60 feet wide), and W. Elizabeth Street (60 feet wide).

Approximate limits of the vacations can be found in Attachment A, enclosed herein.

Giffels Webster has been asked to facilitate the requested vacations. We will be working with the City of Detroit's Department of Public Works – City Engineering Division, and stakeholders to achieve vacations that are satisfactory to all interested parties.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Giffels Webster planner, Deirdre Clein at (P) 313.962.4442 or [dclein@giffelswebster.com](mailto:dclein@giffelswebster.com).

Respectfully,

Michael Marks PE, Partner  
Giffels Webster

# ATTACHMENT A



## LEGEND



PROPOSED VACATED ALLEY, SUB-SURFACE UTILITY EASEMENT RETAINED



