

Note of clarification in following up from DEGC:

The petition/ request has been filed with the city clerk. The request is for a partial vacation. The other parties, who are in general support of vacation, need to agree on a permanent access agreement. This partial vacation will allow for the project for the Music Hall to proceed. The vacation is also responding to a BSEED request to extend the fire stair up to the seventh floor of the Music Hall.

My request is how can we expedite this process since it is already in the system.

Thanks in advance for your help.

Sincerely,

John

**John F. Sivills**, Assoc. AIA

Lead Urban Designer,  
Central Planning District

T: [313.224.4403](tel:313.224.4403)

E: [sivillsj@detroitmi.gov](mailto:sivillsj@detroitmi.gov)

**City of Detroit**

Planning & Development Department  
Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 808  
Detroit, MI 48226

*Michael E. Duggan, Mayor*

>>> James Foster 5/23/2017 12:54 PM >>>

Hey John,

I see there has been some communication with Walter Williams (City Engineering). Certainly follow his lead. Walters supervisor is Keith McCrary (cc'd) if you want to inquire about expediting the process. So, right now I'd file the petition letter with the City Clerks Office, requesting to vacate the northerly part of the north-south public alley, 20 ft. wd. in the block bounded by ..., in order to facilitate the construction of a atrium servicing the Music Hall. Once the petition number is assigned, it will be forwarded to City Engineering (CED) for processing. As I mentioned, the "dead-end" right-of-way could become a issue. But at least it gets dialog started.

Simply attach a site drawing with the letter delivered to Clerk. All detailed drawings should go directly to CED.

Thanks

James D. Foster, Manager I  
City of Detroit  
Buildings, Safety Engineering  
Environmental Department  
C.A.Y.M.C. 2 Woodward Ave.  
Suite 401, Detroit, MI 48226

*"When elephants fight, it is the grass that suffers" - Ancient Kikuyu proverb*

Office: [313-224-7311](tel:313-224-7311)  
Mobile: [313-268-5124](tel:313-268-5124)  
Fax: [313-224-1467](tel:313-224-1467)  
Email: [fosterja@detroitmi.gov](mailto:fosterja@detroitmi.gov)

Michael E. Duggan, Mayor

>>> John Sivills 5/23/2017 12:34 PM >>>

James,

Below and attached are in reference to the Music Hall.

**John F. Sivills**, Assoc. AIA  
Lead Urban Designer,  
Central Planning District  
T: [313.224.4403](tel:313.224.4403)  
E: [sivillsj@detroitmi.gov](mailto:sivillsj@detroitmi.gov)

**City of Detroit**  
Planning & Development Department  
Coleman A. Young Municipal Center  
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 808  
Detroit, MI 48226

*Michael E. Duggan, Mayor*

>>> Sarah Pavelko <spavelko@degc.org> 4/28/2017 5:29 PM >>>

Hi John,

As requested, I am following up with you to send along the alley vacation information. From the meeting it was determined that the time required to vacate the alley & get a permanent access agreement filed against the title work would not fit with the Music Hall's immediate needs.

Thus, PDD will work with Vince Paul to facilitate a discussion with BSEED, Traffic/Engineering, any other departments to gain approval for vacating only the 30 feet.

This allows Hiram to spend more time on his plans and consider an alley vacation/permanent access agreement at a later date.

Let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Sarah Pavelko  
Senior Real Estate Manager  
Detroit Economic Development Corporation  
500 Griswold Street, Suite 2200  
Detroit, MI 48226  
[\(313\) 237-6089](tel:(313)237-6089) Office | [\(313\) 963-8839](tel:(313)963-8839) Fax  
[spavelko@DEGC.org](mailto:spavelko@DEGC.org)

Learn more about DEGC: [www.degc.org](http://www.degc.org)  
Subscribe to our e-newsletter: [www.growthdetroit.com](http://www.growthdetroit.com)  
Find us on Facebook and Twitter: @DEGCAIBusiness