

City of Detroit
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DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

To: The Department or Commission Listed Below

From: Janice M. Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk

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.

DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

1753 *Chaps Owner LLC, request for conversion to easement for the alleyway located directly south of 2843 East Grand Boulevard and directly north of 6536 Oakland.*

CHAPS OWNER LLC

August 15, 2017

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

RE: *Petition request for conversion to easement for the alleyway located directly south of 2843 East Grand Boulevard; Tax ID: Ward 03, parcel #03001788 and directly north of 6536 Oakland; Tax ID: Ward 03, parcel #03002978*

Honorable City Council:

I am writing with a request to convert to an easement on an alleyway adjacent to two parcels of property we currently own south of East Grand Boulevard in the North End/New Center neighborhood. Please find details of the request below:

- **WHO:** Chaps Owner LLC is the petitioner and current property owner adjacent to the alley. Immediately to the north of the alley is a 12-unit residential property and immediately to the south of the alley is a covered parking garage. We currently maintain all aspects of the alley, which includes landscaping, snow removal, and concrete repairs.
- **WHAT:** We are requesting a conversion to an easement where all utilities will remain above and below grade.
- **WHERE:** The alleyway is generally bound by East Grand Boulevard to the north, East Milwaukee to the south, Oakland Avenue to the west, and Hastings to the east. More specifically, the alley is located directly south of 2843 East Grand (parcel id: 03001788).
- **WHEN:** We are requesting to start the process towards the conversion to an easement of the alley as of today, August 15, 2017.
- **WHY:** We are requesting the alley to be converted to an easement for the following reasons:
 - No pedestrians or vehicles currently use the alley as a right of way. The alley is currently between residences and dedicated parking for the residents and neighboring businesses.
 - As the property owner, we are incurring the expense of the upkeep, management, and security of the alleyway.

CHAPS OWNER LLC

Please see Attachment A, which is a previous survey of the property that includes the subject alleyway that this petition is in regards to. We look forward to working with the stakeholders and city of Detroit on the conversion to an easement for the alley and creating a more safe, walkable neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,

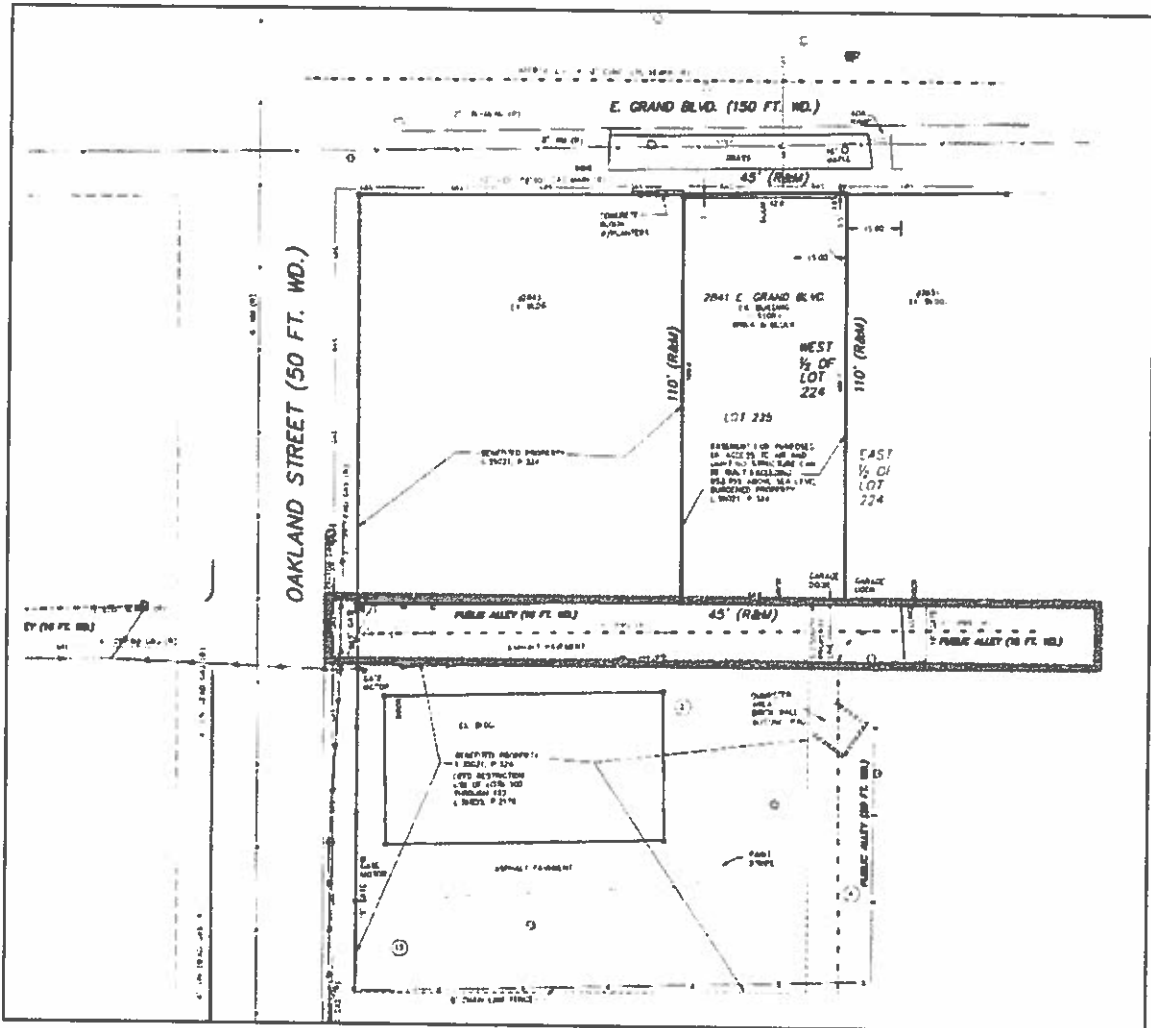
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jordan Wolfe', written in a cursive style.

Jordan Wolfe
Manager, Chaps Owner LLC

Attachment A: Survey of subject alleyway

cc: Keith McCrary, City – Department of Public Works and PDD

ATTACHMENT A: Survey of Subject Alleyway



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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT(S)

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