

RUSAS 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 north of 6540 Saint Antoine; Tax ID: Ward 03, parcel #03003271

Honorable City Council:

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

- WHO: Rusas Owner LLC is the petitioner and current property owner of all of the property adjacent to the alley. Immediately to the south of the alley is a 60,000 square foot commercial building and immediately to the north of the alley are three commercial buildings. 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, Saint Antoine to the west, and Oakland to the east. More specifically, the alley is located directly north of 6540 Saint Antoine (parcel id: 03003271).
- 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.
 - It is a key component to fix and develop the vacant property along East Grand Boulevard.

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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". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Jordan Wolfe
Manager, Rusas Owner LLC

Attachment A: Survey of subject alleyway

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

ATTACHMENT A: Survey of Subject Alleyway

