City of Detroit

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Deputy City Clerk

DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

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.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION

Michael E. Williams, request to vacate Burgess Street between Eaton and Acacia.

PETITION FOR A SEMI PERMANENT STREET CLOSURE

Burgess Street between Eaton and Acacia

To the Honorable Members of the Detroit City Council:

We the owners of properties located on Burgess Street, addresses between 14300 and 14430 requests a permit to semi permanently close this street to vehicular traffic. We also ask that the city's land development department initiate a study to consider a permanent closure.

For several years this street has been an attractive nuisance for crime and illegal dumping. Often we the property owners are targeted, issued citations for and charged with the responsibility of removing debris discarded by other. There is constantly a stream of stolen automobiles transported to this stretch of roadway to be stripped and discarded.

We feel that the best way to combat or curtail this illegal activity is to close the street to automobile traffic and restrict access to pedestrians only. We would like to create park-like setting which will include two large cement plant boxes at each end of the street. The property owner would utilize their grass spaces to place benches and tables for use by the neighborhood. We will find funding sources or bear the expense of the closures. The property owners will continue to maintain their respective lots, and collectively maintain those that belong to the City of Detroit or the Detroit Land Bank Authority.

Attached are recently photographed images of illegally discarded debris. Please take into consideration this request and notify me of your decision.

Respectfully,

Michael E. Williams

14371 Chapel Street

Detroit, Michigan

(313) 638-5048

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Property Owners:

Michael Williams

14350 Burgess, 14356 Burgess, 14370 Burgess, 14378 Burgess, 14384 Burgess, 14216 Darcy, 14230 Darcy

Author Collective, Inc.

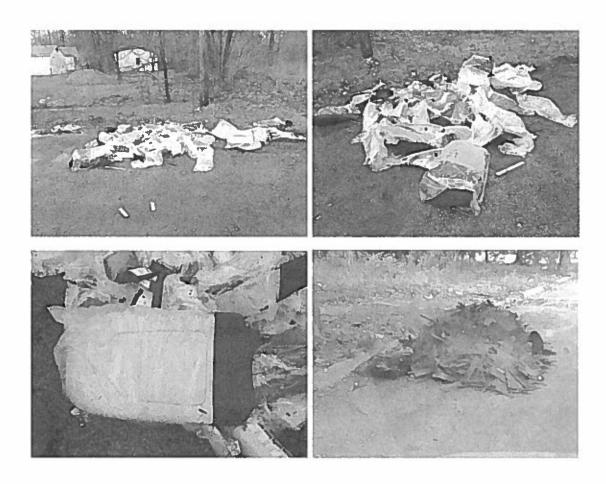
14330 Burgess, 14336 Burgess

Alesia Ruffin

14211 Burgess, 14236 Darcy

Brightmoor Collaborative, Inc.

14593 Burgess









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Traced to Mutual Property Management, 33004 Grand River, Farmington, MI, Dawn Sutton, Mgr.









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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT(S)

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