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DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

Tuesday, August 6, 2019

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

1033 *Kamps, Inc. d/b/a Kamps Pallets, Inc., request to vacate Artesian Street South of Glendale Ave.*



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City Council of the City of Detroit
c/o Office of the City Clerk
Coleman A. Young Municipal Center
Suite 200
Detroit, Michigan 48226

RE: Petition to Vacate Artesian Street South of Glendale Avenue

Dear Sir/Madam:

Kamps, Inc., d/b/a Kamps Pallets, Inc., acquired the properties in the City of Detroit located at 19001 Glendale Avenue and 19111 Glendale Avenue in 2014, and has been operating its pallet business at that location since then. Kamps now employs approximately 120 individuals at its facility, which was previously vacant for several years.

Kamps respectfully requests vacation of Artesian Street south of Glendale Avenue. Artesian Street is the eastern boundary of the Kamps facility. The portion of Artesian Street for which vacation is requested is south of the driveway that serves the parcel owned by CSX that is on the east side of Artesian Street marked in yellow on the enclosed aerial photo. Artesian Street is not a "through" street and dead ends next to the south boundary of the Kamps property. Also enclosed is a survey that also shows the locations of the Kamps property and the portion of Artesian Street for which vacation is requested. The property located east of Artesian Street and south of Glendale Avenue that is owned by CSX does not require Artesian Street for access. CSX is also the owner of the rail yard south of the south end of Artesian Street. In fact, Artesian Street ends before the CSX property, and the CSX property on the east side of Artesian Street has a row of mature trees along Artesian Street south of its driveway, as shown on the aerial photo. The only business or property owner that uses Artesian Street south of the CSX driveway is Kamps. Kamps uses Artesian Street for heavy truck traffic. The efficiency of loading and unloading trucks at the Kamps facility would be greatly improved if Kamps could use the west half of Artesian Street for truck traffic as the owner of it, rather than being subject to the limitations imposed by its status as a public street. Neither of the two adjacent property owners should have any object to the vacation of Artesian Street, since they do not use it.

The vacation of this portion of Artesian Street would remove the obligation of the City to repair, maintain and plow that section of it. And after vacation, a substantial amount of property will be added to the City's tax roll.

Please advise if the City needs any additional information or documents relating to this vacation request. Thank you for your consideration of it.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Scott Timmer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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Enclosure

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