

## DEPARTMENTAL REFERENCE COMMUNICATION

*Friday, February 26, 2021*

*To: The Department or Commission Listed Below*

*From: Janice M. Winfrey, Detroit City Clerk*

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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.

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DPW - CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION      PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**1390**      *Jefferson Ventures, LLC, request for the Outright Vacation of the north-south public alley between East Jefferson Avenue and Franklin Street, bounded by Dubois Street and Chene Street*



CITY OF DETROIT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION

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To: Clerk's Office  
From: The Department of Public Works  
City Engineering Division  
MapsandRecordsBureau@DetroitMI.Gov  
(313) 224-3970

Petitioner:  
Jefferson Ventures LLC  
Represented by Dykema Gossett PLLC  
400 Renaissance Center  
Detroit, MI 48243  
313-568-6800

On behalf of the above mentioned petitioner the Department of Public Works: City Engineering Division is submitting a petition request for the below mentioned action. The petitioner has received a project consultation from the Department of Public Works: City Engineering Division and has been advised the following:

Type of action recommended:

Request for the 'Outright' vacation of the north-south public alley between East Jefferson Avenue and Franklin Street, bounded by Dubois Street and Chene Street.

Consulted by:

Jered Dean  
Manager II  
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February 17, 2021

**VIA E-MAIL:**  
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Maps and Records Bureau  
City of Detroit Public Works  
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Re: 2290 and 2310 E. Jefferson Ave. and 302 Chene Street, Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sirs or Mesdames:

This firm represents Jefferson Ventures LLC, a Michigan limited liability company that owns the properties at the addresses referred to above. On behalf of our client, we request that the alley located between the southern parts of 2290 E. Jefferson and 301 Chene Street be vacated by the City.

The specific description of the alley subject to this request lies between Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, on the East, and the southerly portion of Lot 8, Block 4, on the West, each in the Subdivision of Part of James Campau Farm, East ½ Private Claim 91 (Blocks 1 through 12, inclusive), as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 17, Wayne County Records. Essentially, this is the part of the alley that runs from Franklin Street to a line running along the northern boundary of Lot 2, Block 4; the balance of the alley was vacated in 1922. See JCC 1-17-1922, Page 60.

We note that the vacation of this alley also was requested through the submission of a Smartsheet Form, the receipt of which was acknowledged by the City on February 4, 2021. As noted in such request, Jefferson Ventures LLC owns all the surrounding property down to Franklin Street, and the vacation would rationalize (“square off”) the property boundaries and facilitate development. As also noted therein, there is reason to believe that this part of the alley may have been vacated at some point after JCC 1-17-1922, as evidenced by documents of record and the conduct of prior owners. This having been said, Jefferson Ventures LLC would like to have the vacation completed as of record.

We would be happy to answer any questions you may have or provide any additional information that you require to process this request. Our contact information is set forth above, but it would be preferable for you to ask any further questions or request any further information



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by contacting me on my mobile phone at (248) 763-9800 or e-mailing me at the above e-mail address.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance.

Very truly yours,

Sincerely,

**DYKEMA GOSSETT, PLLC**

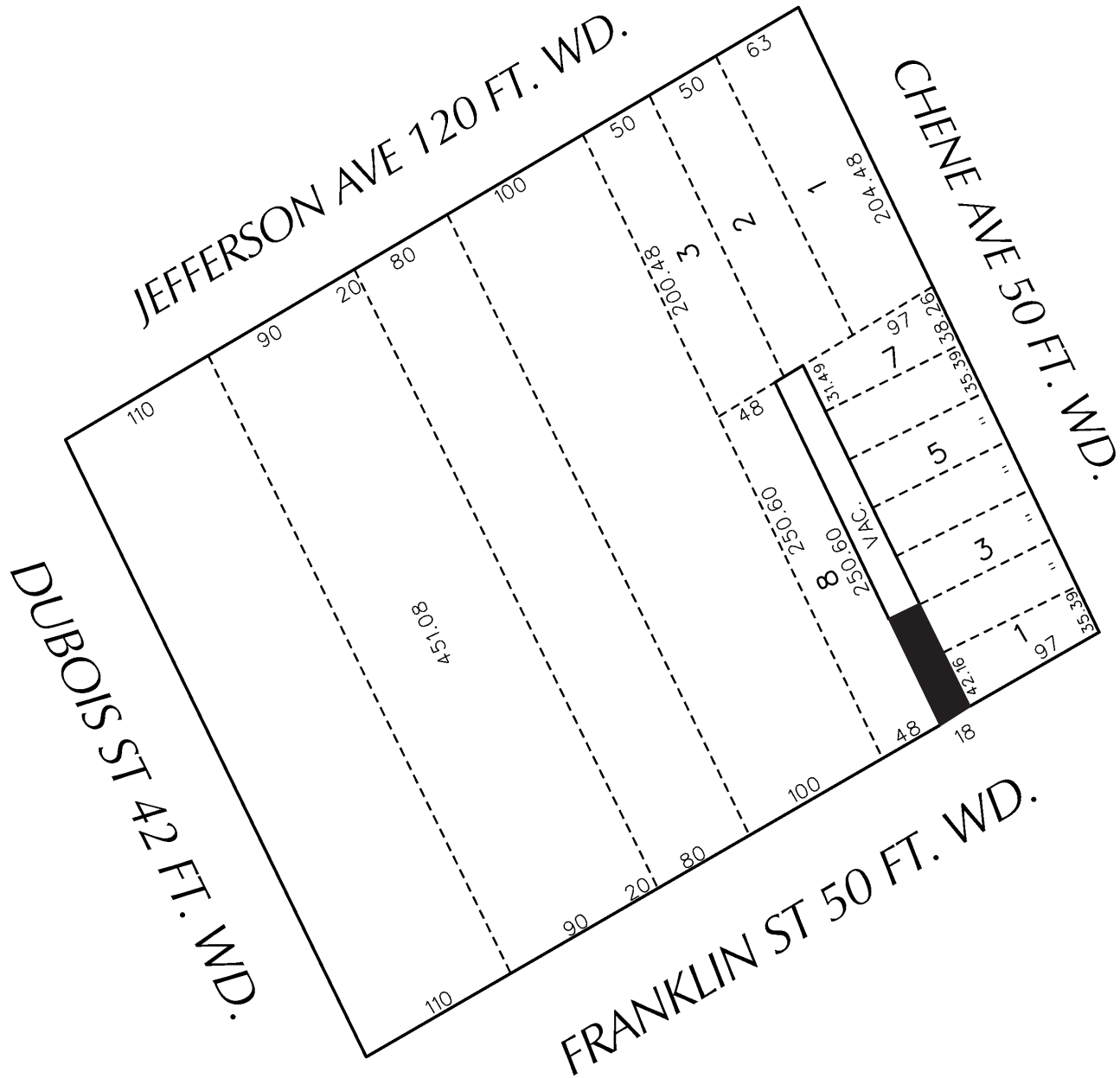
A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cameron H. Piggott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Cameron H. Piggott

cc: Bruce Goldman, Esq.

4845-7219-5036.1

PETITION NO.



 - OUTRIGHT VACATION

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

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02-10-21		JD			

*OUTRIGHT VACATION OF PARTIAL ALLEY SEGMENT, IN THE BLOCK BOUND BY CHENE AVE, FRANKLIN ST, DUBOIS ST, AND JEFFERSON AVE.*

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