March 11th, 2022

Honorable City Council:

RE: Petition No. x2022-78 – Scripps District Association, request encroachment for non-standard paving of a public alley, protective bollards to be installed within said public alley, façade elements of an historic building adjacent to the public alley, and for private drainage lines servicing the new development at 3700 Trumbull Avenue.

Petition No. x2022-78 – Scripps District Association, request encroachment for non-standard paving of a public alley, 18 ft. wide, protective bollards to be installed within said public alley, façade elements of an historic building adjacent to the public alley, and for private drainage lines servicing the new development at 3700 Trumbull Avenue.

The petition was referred to the City Engineering Division – DPW for investigation and report. This is our report.

The request is being made in relation to the site development at 3700 Trumbull Avenue.

The request was approved by the Solid Waste Division – DPW, and City Engineering Division – DPW. Traffic Engineering Division – DPW approves provided pedestrian traffic is accommodated, and a provision for a clear pedestrian walk, 6 feet wide, is a part of the resolution.

Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) reports being involved, but they have no objection provided the DWSD encroachment provisions are followed. The DWSD provisions have been made a part of the resolution*.*

All other involved City Departments, including the Public Lighting Authority and Public Lighting Department; also privately owned utility companies have reported no objections to the encroachment. Provisions protecting all utility installations are part of the attached resolution.

I am recommending adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Doherty, P.E., City Engineer

City Engineering Division – DPW

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Cc: Ron Brundidge, Director, DPW

Mayor’s Office – City Council Liaison

COUNCIL MEMBER\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

RESOLVED, that the Department of Public Works, City Engineering Division is hereby authorized and directed to issue permits to Scripps District Association or their assigns to install and maintain encroachments within the right of way, further described as: Land in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan;

1. Non-Standard alley paving, within the north-south public alley lying easterly of and adjacent to lots 33 through 44 and the northerly 8 ft. of Brainard Street, 44 ft. wide, vacated per City Council resolution of Dec 23rd, 1913 (JCC page 1842); and lying westerly of and adjacent to lots 45 through 56 and the northerly 8 ft. of Brainard Street, 44 ft. wide, vacated per City Council resolution of Dec 23rd, 1913 (JCC page 1842) all within “Hodges Brother’s Subdivision” as recorded in Liber 1, Page 308 of Plats, Wayne County Records. Said encroachment will be designed to include 8” stamped concrete paving within the easterly 15 ft. of said public alley and an at-grade sidewalk constructed along the westerly 3 ft. of said alley.
2. Bollards (x3), to be installed within the public alley east of and adjacent to lots 37 and 38 of “Hodges Brother’s Subdivision”, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 308 of Plats, Wayne County Records. The 3 proposed bollards will be installed 1.25’ east of the easterly line of said lots 37 and 38 and range no further apart than 10 ft. north and south of the common line between said lots 37 and 38. Said bollards are to be installed below grade no more than 3’ and extend above grade at no more than 3’.
3. Façade of Historic Building constructed .042’ within the westerly part of the public alley east of and adjacent to lots 37 and 38 of “Hodges Brother’s Subdivision”, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 308 of Plats, Wayne County Records.
4. Alley 21” Drainage Pipe, to be installed within the public alley, 18 ft. wide, between lots 40 and 49 of “Hodges Brother’s Subdivision” as recorded in Liber 1, Page 308 of Plats, Wayne County Records. Said 21” drainage pipe will cross said public alley at a location along the westerly line of the public alley measured at 237.8’ south of the southerly line of Selden Avenue, 50 ft. wide, to a location along the easterly line of the public alley measured at 233.1’ south of the southerly line of Selden Avenue, 50 ft. wide. Said 21” drainage pipe will be installed approx. 10 to 12 ft. below grade.
5. Selden Avenue 21” Drainage Pipe, to be installed within Selden Avenue, 50 ft. wide, between lots 45 and 86 of “Hodges Brother’s Subdivision” as recorded in Liber 1, Page 308 of Plats, Wayne County Records. Said 21” drainage pipe will cross Selden Avenue at a location along the northerly line of Selden Avenue measured at 51.7’ east of the northwest corner of said lot 45 to a location along the southerly line of Selden Avenue measured at 57.3’ east of the southwest corner of said lot 86. Said 21” drainage pipe will be installed approx. 6 to 8 ft. below grade.

PROVIDED, that if there is any cost for the removing and/or rerouting of any utility facilities, it shall be done at the expense of the petitioner and/or property owner; and be it further

PROVIDED, that access is maintained to all fire department connections, and be it further

PROVIDED, that by approval of this petition the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) does not waive any of its rights to its facilities located in the right-of-way, and at all times, DWSD, its agents or employees, shall have the right to enter upon the right-of-way to maintain, repair, alter, service, inspect, or install its facilities. All costs incident to the damaging, dismantling, demolishing, removal and replacement of structures or other improvements herein permitted and incurred in gaining access to DWSD’s facilities for maintenance, repairing, alteration, servicing or inspection caused by the encroachment shall be borne by the petitioner. All costs associated with gaining access to DWSD’s facilities, which could normally be expected had the petitioner not encroached into the right-of-way, shall be borne by DWSD; and be it further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner maintain the DWSD required clearance of 18 feet above grade for maintenance excess and repair, and be it further

PROVIDED, that all construction performed under this petition shall not be commenced until after (5) days written notice to DWSD. Seventy-two (72) hours’ notice shall also be provided in accordance with P.A. 53 1974, as amended, utilizing the MISS DIG one call system; and be it further

PROVIDED, that construction under this petition is subject to inspection and approval by DWSD forces. The cost of such inspection shall, at the discretion of DWSD, be borne by the petitioner; and be it further

PROVIDED, that if DWSD facilities located within the right-of-way shall break or be damaged as the result of any action on the part of the petitioner, then in such event the petitioner agrees to be liable for all costs incident to the repair, replacement or relocation of such broken or damaged DWSD facilities; and be it further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner shall hold DWSD harmless for any damages to the encroaching device constructed or installed under this petition which may be caused by the failure of DWSD’s facilities; and be it further

PROVIDED, Scripps District Association or their assigns shall apply to the Buildings and Safety Engineering Department for a building permit prior to any construction. Also, if it becomes necessary to open cut public streets, bore, jack, occupy or barricade city rights-of-way for maintenance of encroachments such work shall be according to detail permit application drawings submitted to the City Engineering Division – DPW prior to any public right-of-way construction; and further

PROVIDED, that the necessary permits shall be obtained from the City Engineering Division – DPW and the Buildings and Safety Engineering Department. The encroachments shall be constructed and maintained under their rules and regulations; and further

PROVIDED, that all cost for the construction, maintenance, permits and use of the encroachments shall be borne by Scripps District Association or their assigns, and further

PROVIDED, that all costs incurred by privately owned utility companies and/or city departments to alter, adjust, and/or relocate their existing utility facilities located in close proximity to the encroachments shall be borne by Scripps District Association or their assigns. Should damages to utilities occur Scripps District Association or their assigns shall be liable for all incidental repair costs and waives all claims for damages to the encroaching installations; and further

PROVIDED, that no other rights in the public streets, alleys or other public place shall be considered waived by this permission which is granted expressly on the condition that said encroachments shall be removed at any time when so directed by the City Council, and the public property affected shall be restored to a condition satisfactory to the City Engineering Division – DPW; and further

PROVIDED, that Scripps District Association or their assigns shall file with the Department of Public Works – City Engineering Division an indemnity agreement in form approved by the Law Department. The agreement shall save and protect the City of Detroit from any and all claims, damages or expenses that may arise by reason of the issuance of the permits and the faithful or unfaithful performance of Scripps District Association or their assigns of the terms thereof. Further, Scripps District Association or their assigns shall agree to pay all claims, damages or expenses that may arise out of the use, repair and maintenance of the proposed encroachments; and further

PROVIDED, that construction of the encroachments shall constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions as set forth in this resolution; and be it further

PROVIDED, this resolution is revocable at the will, whim or caprice of the City Council, and Scripps District Association acquires no implied or other privileges hereunder not expressly stated herein; and further

PROVIDED, that the encroachment permits shall not be assigned or transferred without the written approval of the City Council; and be it further

PROVIDED, that the City Clerk shall within 30 days record a certified copy of this resolution with the Wayne County Register of Deeds.