

The Honorable City Council Attn: Office of the City Clerk 200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Petiton for outright vacation of the dead-end portion of Western St south of McGraw St and a portion of McGraw St directly west and adjacent to Western St south of McGraw St.



Honorable City Council,

I am writing with a request to outright vacate the dead-end portion of Western St south of McGraw St and a portion of McGraw St directly west and adjacent to Western St south of McGraw St. This right of way is directly adjacent to the existing DTE McGraw substation (9400 McGraw St) to the east and directly adjacent to parcels to the west that DTE is working with the City of Detroit and MDOT to obtain to expand McGraw substation. This portion of Western St is a dead end and not used for vehicular/pedestrian traffic. DTE Energy will also work with all existing utilities impacted to make arrangements for relocation/private easements as necessary.

The expansion of McGraw substation is required to address 7,000 City of Detroit and Dearborn customers who have been placed on temporary electrical facilities due to severe equipment damage resulting from the June rainstorms that caused drastic flooding in the area, including the sub-basement and basement of the existing McGraw substation. The vacated portions of Western St and a portion of McGraw St will be combined with parcels to the west being acquired from the City of Detroit and MDOT, along with the existing McGraw substation property into one contiguous parcel. This expanded property will allow DTE to install new electrical infrastructure to place the affected customers back on permanent elelectrical utility power.

The portion of McGraw St requested to be vacated is currently a DDOT bus stop. As a part of this project, DTE will work with DDOT to relocate the bus stop to a suitable area just east of McGraw substation.

Please feel free to reach out directly if you have any questions regarding this petition

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