

We would further recommend that if the above change meets with the approval of your Honorable Body, that the City of Farmington notify the Department of Public Works when the change in the County is to be made so that the work may be done simultaneously.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. WALKER, JR.,
Commissioner.

From Department of Public Works
March 28, 1940.
To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—We are in receipt of a letter and sketch from the Board of County Road Commissioners, concerning changing the name of Kingsbury avenue as it now exists within the city limits, to Kingsville avenue, which is the name in use outside of the city limits. The Road Commission found it necessary to change the name in the township because a street with a similar name existed elsewhere within the County.

There being no other name similar to Kingsville, and the verbal approval of the City Plan Commission having been obtained, we believe the change is advisable and respectfully request that your Honorable Body direct the Corporation Counsel to prepare the necessary ordinance effecting the change.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. WALKER, JR.,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Garlick:

Resolved, that the Corporation Counsel be and he is hereby directed to prepare the necessary ordinance to change the name of Farmington Road from Grand River Ave. northerly and westerly to the city limits, to Shiawassee ave., and to change Kingsbury Ave. within the City of Detroit to Kingsville Ave., and submit to this body for approval.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Dingeman, Ewald, Garlick, Hamilton, Lodge, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem.—8.
Nays—None.

From Department of Public Works
March 29, 1940.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—We submit herewith for your consideration a list of streets to be improved with Class "B" paving in conjunction with WPA under the "forced paving" authority of the Charter of the City of Detroit, and in conformity with the provisions of the Ordinances governing such work, with the estimated cost of Sponsor's contribution of such improvements.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. WALKER, Jr.,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Dingeman:

Resolved, that the Department of Public Works be and it is hereby directed to proceed in conformity with WPA to pave the following streets with Class "B" paving—using the standard 6-in. straight macadam with a bed of 8-in. water macadam and topped with 2 1/2-in. oil aggregate—as per estimated cost of Sponsor's contribution; this to be sustaining program under the forced paving authority of the Charter of the City of Detroit and in conformity with the provisions of the Ordinances governing such work.

Ashton street, from 487 ft. to Lyndon to Lyndon, width 30 ft., est. cost \$3,026.85.

Faust street, from Whitlock to Lyndon, width 30 ft., est. cost \$12,400.00.
Hildale street, from Oakdale to Hawthorne, 26 ft. and 30 ft., est. cost \$2,454.81.

Lernout street, from McClintock to Cooper, width 26 ft. and 30 ft., est. cost \$1,853.45.

Oldtown street, from Chandler to Drive to 443 ft. N. Linville, width 26 ft., est. cost \$5,444.18.

Marlowe street, from Puritan to McNichols, width 30 ft., est. cost \$13,232.02.

Rosemont street, From Warren to Tireman, width 26 ft. and 30 ft., est. cost \$11,421.54.

Rosemont street, from 626 ft. to Lyndon to Lyndon, width 30 ft., est. cost \$3,649.20.

Rutherford street, from McNichols to Outer Drive, width 30 ft., est. cost \$6,578.92.

Springarden street, from 372 ft. to Peoria to Chalmers, width 30 ft., est. cost \$4,359.42.

Stahelin street, from 439 ft. to E. E. Schoolcraft, width 30 ft. and 36 ft., est. cost \$6,144.66.

Whitcomb street, from Puller to Tyler, width 26 ft., est. cost \$5,117.00.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Dingeman, Ewald, Garlick, Hamilton, Lodge, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem.—8.
Nays—None.

From Department of Public Works
March 29, 1940.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In reply to a letter from this office, the following proposals were received for furnishing materials and equipment as Sponsor's contribution for paving streets listed under WPA Project No. 82-4-2098:

Class "B" Pavement

Archdale, Grand River to Puritan, width 30 ft., est. cost \$14,428.21.

Ardmore, Pilgrim to Puritan, width 30 ft., est. cost \$12,400.00.

Bentler, Puritan to Verne: \$6,418.84.

Greenview, Warren to Tireman: \$1,789.52.

Haverhill, Fenkell to Puritan: \$11,478.86.

Haverhill, Whitehill to Wayburn: \$2,976.10.

West Chicago to Plymouth: \$2,710.79.

Woodhurst, Florence to McNichols: \$1,783.13.

Woodmont, Capitol to Fullerton: \$1,189.92.

Whitcomb, Fenkell to Puritan: \$1,283.06.

The Department of Public Works is the only bidder in all cases, and

respectfully request that your Honorable Body authorize the Department of Public Works to proceed in accordance with the specifications.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. WALKER, JR.,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Dingeman:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and is hereby authorized and directed to furnish materials and equipment for the paving of the streets listed in the foregoing communication, in accordance with the proposals and specifications, under WPA Project No. 84-4-2098.

Yeas—Councilmen Dingeman, Garlick, Hamilton, Lodge, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President Pro Tem.—8.
Nays—None.

From Department of Public Works
March 8, 1940

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I have just completed a thorough and minute investigation of the cost of operating City owned trucks and equipment as against the cost of purchasing the same service from private owners. When I say that I have gone into the matter thoroughly I am not exaggerating.

I have gone to the Motor Transportation garage and personally investigated the source of information as to the cost of City owned equipment; I listened to the arguments of the private owners and I am convinced that it is my duty and for the best interest of the City to discontinue the hire of privately owned trucks and proceed to purchase equipment and we will operate ourselves.

In order to have all of the facts before your Honorable Body, I have prepared a statement which I attach herewith breaking down the cost of

operation of these trucks per unit per day. The figures have been carefully derived from actual costs of the operation of similar trucks previously purchased and wherever there was a question of doubt as to costs, the estimate was made generous rather than otherwise. For instance, we have added 15% to the actual mileage traveled in the past, on the assumption that our dump hauls would be longer and the cost thereby increased.

May I assure your Honorable Body that this is as impartial and fair a presentation as I could assemble. I have no desire to cause the discontinuance of the employment of these truck owners but I cannot in conscience refrain from recommending this proposal to you, when I see a potential saving of from \$111,862.00 a year to \$141,813.00.

You will see from the attached sheet that our estimated cost of operating a City owned unit would be \$11.285 per day, whereas the average cost of hired equipment is \$17.095 per day, or a difference of \$5.81 per unit.

Funds are now available for the purchase of ninety-four 10-yard units on the deferred plan. However, at the time of advertisement, we wish to ask for a bid on an outright purchase, to see whether it would be advantageous to buy in this fashion. If it is found to be more advantageous to buy on the outright plan, we will then ask your Honorable Body to advance funds from next year's budget to cover this.

I submit the above to your Honorable Body for your earnest consideration and hereby request permission to purchase ninety-four 10-yard rubbish trucks for street and alley cleaning work.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. WALKER, JR.,
Commissioner.

By Councilman Hamilton:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be and it is hereby authorized and directed to continue the employing of ten-yard trucks for the hauling of rubbish at a rate of not to exceed \$14.00 per day, and six-yard trucks for the hauling of rubbish at a rate of not to exceed \$10.00 per day, said employment to be on the basis of seniority rated by the date on which each truck was first employed by the City of Detroit.

Provided, That the renting of trucks by the City of Detroit on this basis shall become effective immediately upon approval of this resolution, and shall cease on June 30, 1941.

Adopted as follows:
Yeas—Councilmen Dingeman, Garlick, Hamilton, Lodge, Sweeny,