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CITY ENGINEERING DIVISION

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April 26th, 2023

Honorable City Council:

**RE: Petition No. x2023-160 – U.S Federal Government, request for encroachment within the southerly part of Lafayette Boulevard, adjacent to the parcel commonly known as 231 Lafayette Boulevard, for the purpose of installing an entry ramp.**

Petition No. x2023-160 – U.S Federal Government, request for encroachment within the southerly part of Lafayette Boulevard, 80 ft. wide, adjacent to the parcel commonly known as 231 Lafayette Boulevard, for the purpose of installing an entry ramp.

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

The request is being made as part of a plan to install an accessibility ramp for operations at 231 Lafayette Boulevard.

The request was approved by the Solid Waste Division – DPW, and City Engineering Division – DPW. Traffic Engineering Division

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

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 U.S Federal Government or their assigns to install and maintain encroachments within Lafayette Boulevard, further described as: Land in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan;

Accessibility Ramp; to be installed within the southerly 7 ft. of Lafayette Boulevard lying northerly of and adjacent to lots 7 through 10 of the "Military Reserve Plat" as recorded in Liber 5, Page 218 of Plats, Wayne County records. Said accessibility ramp will be constructed using concrete, using granite paneling on the exterior, and handrails.

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 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, U.S Federal Government 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 U.S Federal Government 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 U.S Federal Government or their assigns. Should damages to utilities occur U.S Federal Government 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 U.S Federal Government 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 U.S Federal Government or their assigns of the terms thereof. Further, U.S Federal Government 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 U.S Federal Government 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.

## MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

This agreement (this "Agreement") is made and entered into this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 20<sup>23</sup>, by and between the City of Detroit, a Michigan municipal corporation, acting by and through its Department of Public Works (the "City"), and US General Services Administration, a Federal Government agency ("Owner") whose address is 231 W Lafayette Blvd, Detroit, MI 48226.

NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, including the covenants and undertaking herein contained, it is mutually agreed as follows:

- Purpose of Agreement:** Owner holds title to a certain parcel described in Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Parcel"). City owns certain property adjacent to the Parcel. Inasmuch as persons entering or exiting from the Parcel may use the City-owned property, and/or to the extent that certain services benefiting the Parcel (for example, water and sewer) are located in the City-owned property, Owner has agreed to improve and maintain a portion of City-owned property in the location (the "Maintenance Area") and manner detailed in the plan attached as Exhibit B for the Term, as defined herein.
- Financial Responsibility:** It is understood that during the Term, all physical improvements and repairs to the Maintenance Area, as set forth herein, shall be at the sole cost and expense of Owner, subject to any express limitations set forth in this Agreement.
- ~~**Indemnification and Hold Harmless:** Owner hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from all loss, costs, expense, actions, claims of action, damages and liability (in~~ Clause 3 is N/A due to Federal regulations ~~)~~ person or persons and for the damage to or destruction of property caused by Owner's actions or omissions in the course of or resulting from the maintenance activities contemplated by this Agreement.
- ~~**Insurance:** Owner covenants and agrees, at its sole cost and expense, to maintain or cause to be maintained for the mutual benefit of it and the City comprehensive general liability insurance on an occurrence form against claims for bodily injuries (including, but not limited to, death) or property damage (including, but not limited to, destruction) at any time occurring in the course of or resulting from work carried out by Owner upon,~~ Clause 4 is N/A due to Federal regulations ~~of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) in the aggregate. Such insurance coverage shall name the City of Detroit as an additional insured and shall provide that the same may not be cancelled or materially modified without prior written notice by certified mail to the City to the attention of City of Detroit, Finance Department, Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, Detroit, MI 48226; Attention: Risk Management Division. Said coverage may~~

writing no later than thirty (30) days after such assignment, and the City may, by written notice to Owner within forty-five (45) days after receiving such notice from Owner (subject to reasonable extension due to City Council recess), terminate this Agreement. Unless terminated as provided above, this Agreement shall be binding upon the parties' successors and assigns.

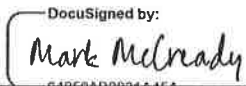
**9. Improvement Changes:** Any changes to the Maintenance Area, except as contemplated by this Agreement, are subject to the prior approval of the City. Owner shall not install or construct in the Maintenance Area any structure, fixture, furniture, or equipment (including but not limited to signs, lighting, fixtures, shades, canopies, or awnings) as may obstruct or in any way encroach upon the Maintenance Area except as set forth in Exhibit B or otherwise properly permitted by the City.

**10. Rights of City:** The parties understand that this Agreement in no way limits the property rights of the City with regard to the Maintenance Area.

**11. Certain Maintenance Obligations of Owner:** During the Term, Owner shall be responsible for the improvement and maintenance activities set forth on Exhibit B.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City and the Owner, by and through their authorized officers and representatives, have executed this Agreement as follows:

US General Services Administration  
a Federal Government agency

BY:   
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PRINT NAME: Mark McCready (Signature)  
ITS: Acting Michigan Service Center Director  
(Duly Authorized Representative)

CITY OF DETROIT, through its Department of Public Works - City Engineering Division

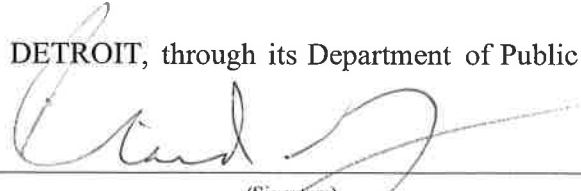
BY:   
(Signature)  
PRINT NAME: Richard Doherty, P.E.  
ITS: City Engineer

Exhibit A

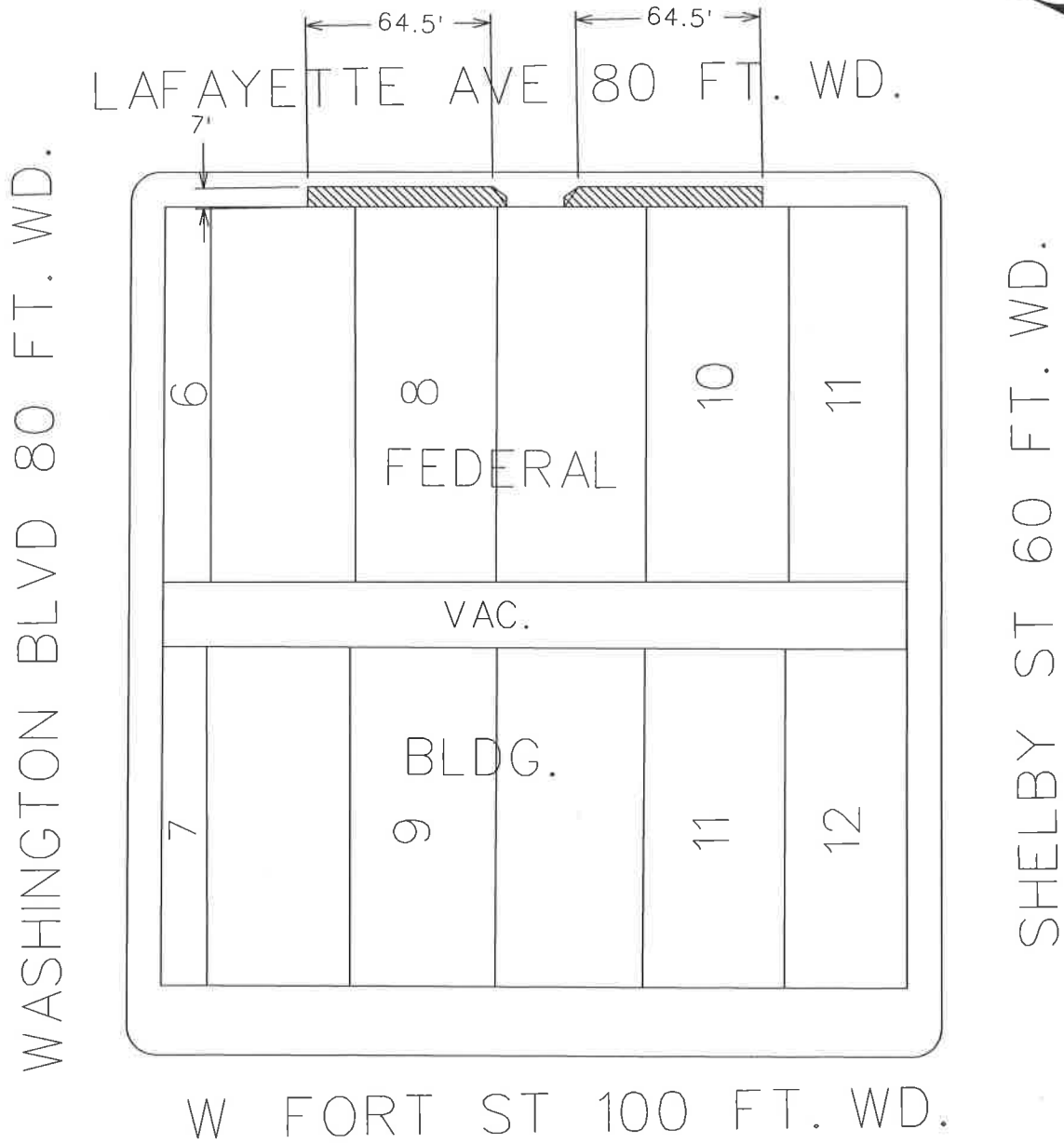
Parcel ID: 02000187.

Address: 231 West Lafayette

Legal Description:

N FORT ST 7-12 EXC FOR POR SET ASIDE FOR FORT & WAYNE STS REAR 11-6 MILITARY RESERVE L5 P218  
CITY RECORDS, W C R 2/58 258.20 X 270

MAP-22-107



-RAMP ENCROACHMENT

(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)

CARTO 28E

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DESCRIPTION	DRWN	CHKD	APPD	DATE	
REVISIONS					
DRAWN BY	MW	CHECKED	JD		
DATE	03-06-2023	APPROVED	JD		

REQUEST ENCROACHMENT ON CITY SIDEWALK TO CONTRUCT BARRIER FREE ACCESSIBLE RAMPS FOR LAFAYETTE BLVD ENTRANCE OF THE LEVIN U.S. COURTHOUSE.

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