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June 29th, 2023

Honorable City Council:

RE: Petition No. x2023-247 – Detroit/Wayne Stadium Authority request to Outright vacate the utility easement reserved over that part of vacated Columbia Street, between Woodward Avenue and Witherell Street, vacated per City Council decision on Dec 9th, 1994.

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

The request is made as part of plans to develop the site adjacent to Comerica Park.

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

Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) has no objection provided certain provisions are met. The DWSD provisions are a part of the attached resolution.

All other involved City Departments, and privately owned utility companies have reported no objections. Provisions protecting 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

BY COUNCIL MEMBER

RESOLVED, that Columbia Street, vacated with reserve of a utility easement on Dec 9th, 1994; further described as land in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan being:

All that part of Columbia Street, 50 ft. wide, west of Witherell Street lying southerly of and abutting the south line of lots 141 through 149, and easterly 57.62 ft. of lot 150 and that part of Columbia Street lying southerly of the north-south alley between said lots 149 and 150; also lying northerly of and abutting the north line of the easterly 57.62 ft. of lot 88, lots 89 through 97, and that part of Columbia Street lying northerly of the north-south alley lying between said lots 88 and 89 of "Plat of William's Park Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4" as recorded in Liber 1, Page 39 of Plats, Wayne County Records.

Be and the same are hereby vacated (outright) as public rights-of-way to become part and parcel of the abutting property, subject to the following provisions:

PROVIDED, that petitioner/property owner make satisfactory arrangements with any and all utility companies for cost and arrangements for the removing and/or relocating of the utility companies and city departments services, and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner/property owner acknowledge that DWSD relinquishes all responsibility for underground sewers, if any, and further

PROVIDED, that the petitioner/property owner bear the entire cost of any modification to the sewer, in any, including costs related to construction, demolition, permitting, inspection, and survey, and further

PROVIDED, that any construction in the public rights-of-way such as curbs and sidewalks shall be done under city permit and inspection according to City Engineering Division – DPW specifications with all costs borne by the abutting owner(s), their heir or assigns; and further

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

