

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, and passed.

Read report City Engineer *re* Lockman Street improvement-Waddell property.

LOCKMAN STREET IMPROVEMENT.

February 23, 1897.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR, — The Act authorizing the borrowing of money for the widening of Lockman Street did not lay down any definite plan for widening the street, and did not confine the expenditure to one side of the street. It was provided that a plan should be submitted to the council and approved by them, after which the street should be widened in accordance with such plan. The plan approved by the council provides for a finished street 65 feet in width. In order to obtain the full width and locate the new street to the best advantage it was necessary to take a portion of one or two properties on the west side which projected into the street. It was not considered advisable at the time of expropriating to take these properties. Since that time, however, the owners of the property north of Gerrish Street belonging to the estate of Robert Waddell have offered to sell the strip of land required, provided the city will pay a price proportionate to that paid for properties on the other side of the street. I would recommend that the land required as shown on the plan on file in this office, be purchased from the executors of the estate of Robert Waddell, and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to negotiate for purchase and accept a deed of the property.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Eden, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read letter from Thomas M. Power offering to purchase from the city a portion of the property recently owned by him and expropriated by the city for the widening of Lockman Street. Placed on Order Paper.

Read letter from H. C. Tully offering to sell to the City a certain property on the east side of Campbell Road.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from E. D. Adams *re* medals for scholars in the public schools to commemorate the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria.

Moved by Alderman Foster, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the same be referred to the Board of School Commissioners. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Dominion of Canada Fire Appliance Co., *re* Worcester Chemical Fire Pails.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Eden, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works and the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of M. Campbell and others for the abatement of a nuisance on Belle Air Terrace.