

March 29, 2007

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 061203

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 061203, which amends a special privilege for change of ownership to Sam Holschbach, Inc d/b/a Spicer Starter Drive Company Inc for a backup driveway and for addition of a platform with steps and a downward stairway encroaching in the public right-of-way for the premises at 1748 North 13th Street.

Marilyn Shoe Company requested permission to construct and maintain backup driveway along the south side of West Vine Street. Permission for the backup driveway was granted in 1945 under Common Council File Number 81772.

Site visits revealed the presence of a concrete platform with steps and a stairway down to a lower level of the building located within the south 17-foot 6-inch wide sidewalk area of West Vine Street. The concrete platform with steps is located in front of the loading dock doors served by the aforementioned backup driveway. The downward stairway goes to an exterior entrance at a lower level of the building. Both structures appear to have been in place for many years. Neither structure interferes with the paved public sidewalk.

We are not aware that the presence of said items has had an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached special privilege resolution, which, if adopted, will change the name of the special privilege grantee and will allow said items to continue to occupy the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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City Engineer

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Commissioner of Public Works

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Commissioner
Department of Neighborhood Services

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Attachment
c: Alderman Willie Hines, Jr.