

Department of Public Works

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street.~~

150 Nassau Street.

New York,

June 2, 1896.

Hen. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 595, to pave 13th Avenue, from 23rd to 27th Street, with granite blocks on concrete foundation, within the limits of land grants, I have the honor to report:

Thirteenth Avenue was recently filled in and is still settling. The part of the avenue already paved with granite blocks on concrete foundation is settling to such an extent as to seriously damage the pavement, and it is not so easy to make repairs as if the granite blocks had been laid on sand. It is therefore recommended that the resolution be amended by striking out the words "on concrete foundation."

Very respectfully,

Charles A. D. Rollis

Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,

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150 Nassau Street,

New York,

June 8, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r .

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 607, to permit Kilpatrick and Roylance to lay a switch to connect with the New York Central tracks at 58th Street and 11th Avenue, I beg leave to report:

The resolution provides that "the said Kilpatrick and Roylance shall at all times keep the switch or track hereby authorized in good repair, also the pavement between said tracks and at least two feet thereof in good condition and repair."

I respectfully recommend that the resolution be amended so as to read, after the words "as shown upon the accompanying diagram,"--"under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and the said Kilpatrick and Roylance shall keep the pavement between the rails of their track and two feet outside of it, in good repair; and at all times when a new pavement is laid either upon 11th Avenue or 58th Street, restore their pavement between their rails and two feet outside, in conformity to the specifications for paving either the said street or avenue."

Very respectfully,

Charles A. D. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York,

June 8, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No 601. To pave with Macadam the roadway of the Boulevard Lafayette, from 11th Avenue to Kingsbridge Road, etc.

✓ No 602. To pave 98th Street, from 4th to 5th Avenue, with asphalt on concrete foundation.

✓ No 604. To pave 150th Street, from the Boulevard to Amsterdam Avenue, with asphalt.

✓ No 605. To pave 100th Street, from 4th to 5th Avenue with asphalt.

These pavements are necessary, and it is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 614. To permit M. J. Leonard to place and keep a watering-trough at the corner of 7th Avenue and 150th Street.

✓ No 620. To permit C. J. Sullivan to erect and maintain an iron watering-trough at 100th Street and the Western Boulevard.

Watering-troughs at these two locations would benefit the public. It is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 626. To permit Charles Hoenninger to place an ornamental clock in front of No 529 Third Avenue.

As the proposed clock will not exceed the dimensions prescribed by the City ordinance in relation thereto,

there is no objection to the resolution.

✓ No 610. To permit the Chelsea Union to place transparencies on the lamp-post on the N. E. corner of 35th Street and 8th Avenue, and on the N. W. corner of 29th Street and 8th Avenue.

There is no objection to the placing of a transparency on the lamp-post at 29th Street and 8th Avenue, but the placing of a transparency on the lamp-post at 35th Street and 8th Avenue should not be permitted because this is a fire-alarm signal lamp.

✓ No 613. To permit the Chelsea Union to place transparencies on a certain lamp-post at the N. W. corner of 24th Street and 8th Avenue.

✓ No 615. To permit the Chelsea Union to place and keep transparencies on lamp-posts at the N. W. corner of 18th Street and 8th Avenue, S. W. corner of 14th Street and 8th Avenue, and S. W. corner of Perry and Hudson Streets.

✓ No 617. To permit the Chelsea Union to place and keep transparencies on lamp-posts at the N. E. corner of 51st Street and 8th Avenue, and the N. E. corner of 48th Street and 8th Avenue.

✓ No 628. To permit the Chelsea Union to place transparencies on the lamp-post on the N. W. corner of 43rd Street and 8th Avenue.

As the lamp-posts referred to in the four preceding resolutions are not used for lighting purposes, there is no objection to the resolutions.

✓ No 609. To permit S. V. R. Cruger to pave the sidewalk in front of No 273 Spring Street.

There is no objection to this resolution, provided that Mr Cruger will lay one course of four feet of heavy flagging or bridge-stone through the centre of the sidewalk.

✓ No 618. To permit Patrick H. Carley to place and keep a watering-trough on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No 553 West 46th Street.

✓ No 625. To permit Albert Weilds to place and keep

a watering-trough on the N. W. corner of 194th Street and Kingsbridge Road.

The watering-troughs provided for in these two resolutions are not considered necessary.

✓ No 608. To permit Fred Mayser to place and keep a sign on the unused lamp-post in front of the Central Opera House, No 207 East 67th Street.

There is no unused lamp-post in front of these premises, but there is a City lamp which is regularly lighted. As it is the intention of the applicant to use this lamp for advertising purposes, it is recommended that the resolution be not approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. T. Collins
Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office,*

150 Nassau Street,

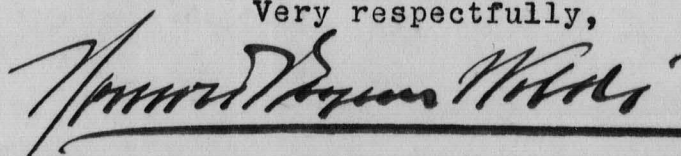
New York, June 16, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, to permit the MORNING JOURNAL to erect a stereoptican stand on Park Row, opposite the TRIBUNE Building, said stand to be kept there only four days, I beg to report that there is no objection to the resolution.

Very respectfully,



Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York,

June 16, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r .

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 663. For gas-mains, etc., in Ryer Avenue, from Burnside Avenue to a point 600 feet north.

No 664. For gas-mains, etc., in Montgomery Avenue, from East 176th Street to 177th Street.

No 665. For gas-mains, etc., in St. John's Avenue, from Crescent Avenue to Pelham Avenue.

No 666. For gas-mains, etc., in Crotona Park North, running westerly from Franklin Avenue for a distance of 350 feet.

No 670. For gas-mains, etc., in Samuel Street, from Honeywell Avenue to Mohegan Avenue.

No 671. For gas-mains, etc., in 179th Street, from 3rd Avenue to Park Avenue.

No 673. For gas-mains, etc., in Park Avenue, from 97th to 102nd Street.

No 676. For gas-mains, etc., in 100th Street, from Madison Avenue to 4th Avenue.

No 677. For gas-mains, etc., in Lexington Avenue, from 97th to 100th Street.

No 678. For gas-mains, etc., in 183rd Street, between Kingsbridge Road and Amsterdam Avenue.

No 679. For gas-mains, etc., in Terrace View Avenue, from Broadway to Jansen Avenue.

No 680. For gas-mains, etc., in Hamilton Terrace, from 142 to 144th Street.

There is no objection to these resolutions, and

I recommend that they be approved.

✓ No 708. To fence vacant lots on the south side of 84th Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to the Boulevard.

It is necessary to fence these lots to prevent the commission of nuisances thereon. I recommend that the resolution be approved.

✓ No 653. To lay water-mains in 179th Street, from 3rd to Park Avenue.

✓ No 645. To lay water-mains in St. Nicholas Avenue, from 111th to 125th Street.

✓ No 646. To lay water-mains in the Boulevard, between 111th and 116th Street.

✓ No 647. To lay water-mains in Ryer Avenue, from a point 450 feet north of Burnside Avenue to a point 600 feet north of said Avenue.

✓ No 648. To lay water-mains in Lexington Avenue, between 97th and 98th Streets.

✓ No 651. To lay water-mains in 123rd Street, between Amsterdam Avenue and the Boulevard.

✓ No 644. To lay water-mains in 113th Street, between 6th and 7th Avenue.

The water-mains provided for in these seven resolutions are necessary. I therefore recommend that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 636. To pave 113th Street, from Amsterdam to Morningside Avenue, with asphalt.

✓ No 709. To pave 97th Street, from the Boulevard to Amsterdam Avenue, with asphalt

✓ No 703. To pave 149th Street, from Convent to Amsterdam Avenue, with asphalt.

✓ No 702. To pave Convent Avenue, from 149th to 152nd Street, with asphalt.

✓ No 698. To pave 143rd Street, from the Boulevard to the New York Central Railroad tracks.

✓ No 657. To pave 148th Street, from Convent to Amsterdam Avenue.

The pavements provided for in the six preceding resolutions being necessary, I recommend that the

resolutions be approved.

✓ No 660. For a supply of water to the improved drinking fountain on the S. W. corner of 146th Street and Third Avenue.

This drinking fountain will be a great convenience to the public. I recommend that the resolution be approved.

✓ No 637. To pave 114th Street, from Amsterdam to Morningside Avenue, with asphalt.

✓ No 641. To pave Park Avenue, west side, from 97th to 101st Street, with asphalt block pavement.

✓ No 642. To pave 99th Street, from Park to Madison Avenue, with asphalt blocks.

It is necessary to pave these parts of 114th Street, Park Avenue and 99th Street. I recommend that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 640. For lamp-posts, etc., in East 89th Street, between East End Avenue and the East River.

✓ No 662. For gas-mains, etc., in Mohegan Avenue, from Samuel Street to 181st Street.

✓ No 667. For gas-mains, etc., in Independence Avenue, from Boston Avenue to Broadway.

✓ No 668. For gas-mains, etc., in East 172nd Street, from the Southern Boulevard to Vyse Avenue.

✓ No 669. For gas-mains, etc., in Fleetwood Avenue, from 173rd Street to a point 350 feet north.

✓ No 672. For gas-mains, etc., in 234th Street, from Webster Avenue to Grand Avenue, etc.

✓ No 674. For gas-mains, etc., in 99th Street, between Park and Madison Avenues.

These seven resolutions are premature inasmuch as the streets proposed to be lighted have not been regulated and graded or are otherwise not in a condition to render practicable the laying of gas-mains and the lighting of public lamps. It is recommended that the resolutions be not approved.

✓ No 649. To lay water-mains in Hunt Avenue, from Bronxdale Avenue to Sagamore Street, etc.

This avenue is in the newly annexed district. The City has no water-mains there, and there is no appropriation to pay for obtaining a supply of water from private sources. It is recommended that the resolution be not approved.

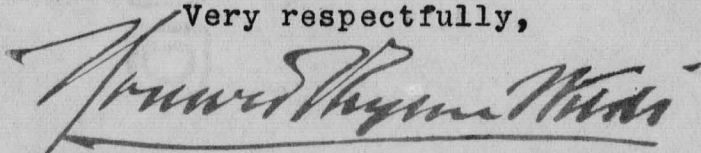
✓ No 652. To lay water-mains in Independence Avenue, from Boston Avenue to Broadway.

It will require the remainder of this year to finish the grading of Independence Avenue, now in progress, and there are no houses on the line of the avenue to be supplied with water. The resolution is premature. It is recommended that it be not approved.

✓ No 699. To pave 187th Street, from 11th Avenue to Kingsbridge Road, with granite blocks.

This improvement is necessary, but the resolution should be amended so as to provide for a concrete foundation for the granite.

Very respectfully,



Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, June 19, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 656, directing the Commissioner of Public Works to provide electric illumination to Room 16 of the City Hall, by applying to the chandeliers and other gas fixtures in said room incandescent lamps and the requisite power to supply the necessary light; also to supply a sufficient number of electric fans for said room, I have the honor to report that in the estimate for supplies for 1896 no provision was made for the expenditure necessary to carry this resolution into effect; and the drafts upon our supply fund have already been so heavy that there remains in hand but a small balance, barely sufficient to pay for such supplies as will be absolutely necessary between this time and the close of the year. Under these circumstances, it is impossible for this Department to furnish the articles called for by the resolution.

Very respectfully,

James Thompson Weeks

Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

~~New York City~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York,

June 22, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

As requested, I have the honor to report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 726. To erect an iron stairway at the N. E. corner of 89th Street and 3rd Avenue.

This resolution is opposed on the ground that the erection and maintenance of the proposed stairway would constitute an illegal obstruction on the public sidewalk. Although the stairway would be within the stoop-line it would nevertheless be illegal, for it has been held in the case of *The People ex. rel. Reilly* against the Mayor, etc., that "the corporate authorities have no power to authorize encroachments upon the streets except such as are provided by law. The space within the stoop-line is as much a part of the street as is any portion travelled over by the public."

No 721. To permit H. Pomerantz to keep two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps in front of No 264 Broome Street.

There is no objection to this resolution, and I recommend that it be approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. D. Corlies

Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, July 7, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 749, to appoint J. J. Reynolds and Emil F. Maurer city surveyors, I have the honor to report that the Consulting Engineer has had an interview with both these gentlemen and reports to me that they are competent to perform the duties of city surveyor, being thoroughly familiar with the theory and practice of surveying. I therefore recommend that the resolution be approved.

Very respectfully,

James H. Wilson

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosures.

Department of Public Works.

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, July 22, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No 761. To permit M. Bromberg to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 76 Carmine Street.

There is no objection to this resolution.

✓ No 762. To permit A. Waltz to place and keep a watering-trough on the sidewalk, near the curb, on the south-west corner of 131st Street and Madison Avenue.

A watering-trough at this location would be a convenience to the public.

✓ No 765. To permit Michael Kirk to place and keep a watering-trough in front of his premises on the N. W. corner of Greenwich and Franklin Streets.

A watering-trough at this location appears to be necessary.

No 768. To permit the Secretary of the Building Committee of St. Bartholomew's Church to extend the vault in front of the Parish House of said Church, Nos 203 to 211 East 42nd Street, as shown upon the accompanying diagram.

The Chief Engineer reports that he sees no objection to extending this vault to the curb-line, provided that a pocket be left in the vault, three feet by three feet in the clear, for hydrant now there and as shown on the plan.

No 756. To permit the Siegel-Cooper Co. to lay a cross-walk of asphalt on 6th Avenue, between 18th and 19th Streets.

The crosswalk provided for in this resolution is a desirable improvement, and would be a convenience to a large body of shoppers.

No 757. To permit the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola to extend the vault of the Church on the N. W. corner of Park Avenue and 83rd Street.

There is a receiving-basin at this corner which cannot be dispensed with. No vault extension should be allowed which includes the space occupied by this basin. As the basin is what is called a side-basin, located on 83rd Street, about eight or ten feet from the corner, it is suggested that if it should be determined to grant permission to extend the vault, and the Church authorities would prefer to build a new basin directly at the corner, the old basin might be dispensed with, but in no case can the drainage of that corner be secured without a basin.

No 758. To permit the construction of a double track railroad by the New York and Brooklyn Railroad Company in, by and through a tunnel from the intersection of Ann Street and Park Row to and under the East River, so far as the jurisdiction of the City of New York may extend, etc.

The Chief Engineer reports that, having no plans or profiles of the proposed tunnel, he cannot make an intelligent report on the resolution.

Very respectfully,

Charles A. T. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

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Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

~~New York City~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, July 29, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter to you of 22nd inst., in which I reported on resolution No 757 of the Board of Aldermen, to permit the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola to extend a vault in front of its premises on the N. W. corner of 83rd Street and Park Avenue, which resolution has been returned to this Department for re-examination, I beg to say that this department will have no objection to the resolution provided it be amended to read as follows:

R E S O L V E D

That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola to construct a vault in front of its premises on the north-west corner of 83rd Street and Park Avenue, having a frontage of 50' 10" on Park Avenue and 50' 0" on East 83rd Street, as shown upon the accompanying diagram, the space covered by the vault not to include that occupied by the present receiving basin, unless said basin is rebuilt at the corner by the Church authorities; without payment of the usual fee, provided the said Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola stipulates with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the City harmless from any loss or damage that may be occasioned during the progress or subsequent to the completion of the work of extending said vault; the work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The amended part of the resolution is underscored.

Very respectfully,

Howard Thomas Wilson

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosures: Resolution,
diagram, etc.

Department of Public Works.

Commissioner's Office.

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150 Nassau Street,

New York, August 10, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

As requested, I transmit herewith report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 778. To permit Adolph Mylins to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 125 Amsterdam Avenue.

No 798. To permit E. A. Bauer of 48 East 4th Street to place a lamp over the first story of his premises.

There are no objections to these resolutions.

No 781. To permit S. Seligman to keep a show-case at No 82 Fifth Avenue.

This resolution is opposed on the ground that show-cases on sidewalks are illegal, and because complaints against a show-case in front of Mr Seligman's premises have been received by this Department, and Mr Seligman was compelled to remove the show-case.

No 786. To permit Dominick Passafium to keep a barber's pole at 862 10th Avenue.

Barbers' poles on the public sidewalks constitute illegal obstructions, hence it is recommended that this resolution be not approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. J. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works.

Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, August 18, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to present report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 825. To permit the West Side Bank to place and keep an ornamental clock and post on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of Nos 485 and 487 Eighth Avenue.

The dimensions of this post and clock will not exceed those prescribed by the revised ordinances, hence there is no objection to the resolution.

No 824. To permit N. L. Glauber to place and keep a show-case within the stoop-line in front of his premises S. W. corner of 17th Street and 6th Avenue.

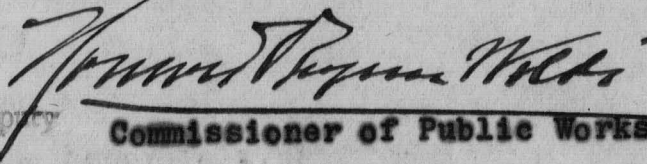
Upon investigation it is found that the show-case provided for in this resolution will not conform to the provisions of the revised ordinance of 1886 in relation to show-cases. It is proposed to place the show-case on the side of the building, where it would be a permanent structure greatly in excess of the dimensions prescribed by the ordinance for show-cases. I therefore recommend that the resolution be not approved.

No 827. To permit Andrew Mickels to place and keep an iron railing for conveying meat in front of his premises on the east side of First Avenue, 50 feet south of 13th Street.

Upon inspection, it is found that the iron railing referred to in the resolution is already in place and

has been used for several years. No permit was ever granted for it, and the resolution is the result of a notice which was served upon the owner to remove it. Complaints have been made to this Department that the railing is an obstruction to the free use of the sidewalk. For this reason I ask you to disapprove the resolution.

Very respectfully,


Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

No 31 Chambers Street.

New York Aug. 24th 1896. 189

My dear Sir;

If a resolution of the Board of Aldermen, authorizing the erection of a show case in front of 82 Fifth Avenue, corner 14th Street, should be laid before you for your approval, I ask that you will not give it your sanction until I have an opportunity to speak with you.

I am doing everything in my power to improve Fifth Avenue, and while I may not be able to rid it of some obstructions which have existed for many years, I earnestly hope that no additional ones will be authorized.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Charles H. D. Collis

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor.

Department of Public Works
Commissioner's Office,

~~150 Nassau Street,~~
150 Nassau Street,

New York, August 24, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to present report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No 832. To erect lamp-posts, etc., in front of School No 67, south side of 46th Street, between 6th and 7th Avenues.

✓ No 833. To permit Dunston and Kennelly to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 761 Sixth Avenue.

✓ No 834. To permit Dunston and Kennelly to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 763 Sixth Avenue.

✓ No 841. To permit Albert Weiss to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 1,606 1st Avenue.

✓ No 847. To permit John N. Stege to suspend a lamp in front of No 1,349 Amsterdam Avenue.

There is no objection to either of the five preceding resolutions, and it is recommended that they be approved.

✓ No 835. Amending the resolution permitting St. Bartholomew's Church to extend the vault in front of Nos 203 to 211 East 42nd Street, by substituting for these numbers "205" and "213".

As the property in front of which it is proposed to extend the vault is not strictly a place of worship, it is not entitled to exemption from payment of the usual fee for vault extension. It is recommended that the resolution be not approved.

No 839. To permit Elizabeth Stewart to keep a stone carriage-step at No 29 West 93rd Street.

This resolution is objected to because stepping stones of this character are illegal and dangerous obstructions. Many stepping-stones have recently been removed by the Bureau of Incumbrances from various streets in the City.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James Stephen Wicks". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

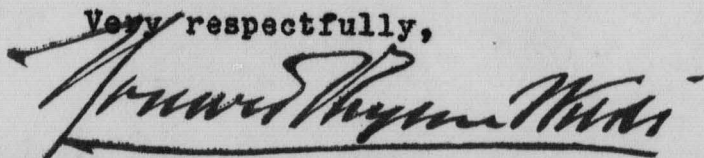
New York, September 8, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the enclosed resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 864, to permit J. Jungmann to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 1,020 Third Avenue, I beg to report that there is no objection to the resolution.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James H. Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

~~Alfred W. Chambers, Clerk~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, September 15, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 911. To supply water to fountain at Grace Chapel, south side of East 14th Street, 100 feet east of 1st Avenue.

A fountain in that vicinity is greatly needed, and it is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 910. To pave 47th Street, from present pavement to bulkhead line of Hudson River, under land grants.

No 906. To pave 30th Street, from 10th to 11th Avenue, with asphalt, within land grants.

No 909. To pave with asphalt 117th Street, from Lenox to St. Nicholas Avenue.

The pavements provided for in these three resolutions are necessary. It is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

No 902. To lay water-mains in Hall Place, between 162nd Street and Intervale Avenue.

No 899. To lay water-mains in 99th Street, between Park and Madison Avenues.

No 889. To lay water-mains in Independence Avenue, 24th Ward.

No 891. To extend water-mains in Anthony and Ryer Avenues and 180th Street, 24th Ward.

No 879. To lay water-mains in Elmwood Place, from Clinton Avenue to Prospect Avenue.

No 890. To lay water-mains in 51st Street, from the bulkhead to 12th Avenue.

No 892. To lay water-mains in 162nd Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to the Boulevard.

No 897. To lay water-mains in Wales Avenue, between 149th and 152nd Streets.

No 878. To lay water-mains in 7th Avenue, between 110th and 115th Streets, and in 106th Street, between 8th and Columbus Avenues, etc.

No 884. To lay water-mains in 183rd Street, from Webster Avenue to Washington Ave.

No 887. To lay water-mains in East 178th Street, from Lafontaine Ave. to Park Avenue.

No 893. To lay water-mains in East 189th Street, between 3rd and Washington Avenues.

No 895. To lay water-mains in Lexington Avenue, between 99th and 100th Street.

No 898. To lay water-mains in 138th Street, between Rider and Gerard Avenues.

No 880. To lay water-mains in Lafontaine Avenue, from Tremont Avenue to a point 1,000 feet north.

No 881. To lay water-mains in Park Avenue East, from 182nd to 184th Street.

No 885. To lay water-mains, etc., in 184th Street, from Webster Avenue to Park Avenue West, and in Park Avenue West to 183rd Street.

No 886. To lay water-mains in Bryant Street, between Home and Jennings Streets, etc.

Water-mains in the streets and avenues named in the foregoing eighteen resolutions are necessary. The approval of the resolutions is recommended.

No 907. To flag the sidewalks, etc., in front of Nos 316 to 326 East 46th Street.

No 912. To flag the south side of 53rd Street, between 10th and 11th Avenues.

No 918. To flag, etc., the sidewalk in front of No 425 East 84th Street.

No 917. To fence vacant lots on 87th Street, 102 feet east of 5th Avenue.

No 915. To fence vacant lots on the S. W. corner of 126th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue.

No 920. To flag the east side of 5th Avenue, from 79th to 86th Street.

No 919. To flag, etc., the east side of 5th Avenue, between 64th and 65th Streets, etc.

It is necessary to flag the sidewalks and fence the

vacant lots enumerated in the seven preceding resolutions, and I recommend that they be approved.

No 922. Appointing Watson G. Clark a City Surveyor.

The Consulting Engineer reports that he is satisfied that Mr Clark is competent to perform the duties of a city surveyor. I therefore recommend the approval of the resolution.

No 921. To pave Park Avenue, west side, from 101st to 102nd Street, with asphalt.

*Amended by
Park Avenue
Graded*

~~The Water Purveyor reports~~ that this part of Park Avenue is too steep for an asphalt block pavement, which would nearly always be dangerous and at times positively impassable. Granite pavement should be substituted for asphalt blocks.

No 900. To lay water-mains in West Farms Road, from West Farms to Classon Avenue.

It would be impracticable to carry out this resolution because there are no water-mains to connect with for a supply of water to West Farms Road, from West Farms to Classon Avenue. Moreover, there are no grades established in that district.

No 888. To lay water-mains in Jefferson Avenue, from Kingsbridge Road to 181st Street.

No 894. To lay water-mains in 182nd Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to Kingsbridge Road.

No 896. To lay water-mains in Villa Avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Potter Place.

No 901. To lay water-mains in Kappock Street, 24th Ward.

No 882. To lay water-mains in Ford Street, from Webster Avenue to a point about 400 feet west.

The streets and avenues mentioned in these five resolutions should be graded, and a sewer should be laid in Ford Street, before water-mains are laid. The resolutions are premature.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. D. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, September 16, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 883, to lay water-mains in 183rd Street, from Webster Avenue to a point about 400 feet west, I beg to report that there is no objection to the resolution, as the work can be done next year.

Very respectfully,

James Thomas Wells

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works

Commissioner's Office

~~At the Chamber of Commerce~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, September 28, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No ⁹⁶⁷ 976. To pave 38th Street, from the Boulevard to West End Avenue, with asphalt block pavement.

✓ No 961. To lay a crosswalk across Jay Street, at West side of Staple Street.

These improvements are necessary and it is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 946. To flag the east side of Pleasant Avenue, from 119th to 120th Street.

✓ No 962. To fence vacant lots on the S. E. corner of 114th Street and Pleasant Avenue.

It is necessary to make these improvements, and I, therefore, recommend that the resolutions be approved.

✓ No 945. To permit M. McGuinness to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 293 Third Avenue

✓ No 949. To permit Samuel Greenberg to keep an ornamental lamp in front of No 805 Amsterdam Avenue.

✓ No 951. To permit Carl Kohler to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 1491 Lexington Avenue.

✓ No 954. To permit J. Marty to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 47 West 24th Street.

✓ No 958. To permit Jacob A. Stroh to keep two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps in front of No 397 Sixth Avenue.

✓ No 972. To lay gas-mains etc. in 183rd Street, from Webster Avenue to Washington Avenue.

✓ No 973. To lay gas-mains in 181st Street, from Prospect Avenue to Clinton Avenue.

✓ No 974. To lay gas-mains in 183rd Street, from Webster Avenue to a point about 400 feet west.

✓ No 978. To lay gas-mains in Ford Street, from Webster Avenue to a point about 400 feet west.

✓ No 980. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Crescent Avenue,

from Cambreling Avenue to 187th Street.

No 981. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Waterloo Place, from 175th Street to 176th Street.

No 982. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 183rd Street, from Bathgate Avenue to Bassford Avenue, and in Bassford Avenue to a point 200 feet north.

No 984. To lay gas-mains in Fleetwood Avenue to a point 350 feet north of Walnut Street.

No 985. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 174th Street, from Webster Avenue to Worth Avenue, and in Worth Avenue to a point 100 feet north.

No 986. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Popham Avenue, from 176th Street to Montgomery Avenue.

No 987. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Anthony Avenue, from a point 350 feet north of Burnside Avenue to a point about 150 feet north of 180th Street.

There is no objection to either of these sixteen resolutions, and it is recommended that they be approved.

No 964. For an iron drinking-fountain at the S. W. corner of 131st Street and Madison Avenue.

This resolution should be amended to provide that the applicant for the fountain (Mr Maltby) shall bear the expense of erecting the fountain and pay for the water consumed.

No 971. To lay gas-mains, etc., in St. Lawrence Avenue, from West Farms Avenue to Merrill Avenue, Van Nest, N. Y. City.

No 975. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Commonwealth Avenue, from West Farms Road to Merrill Avenue, Van Nest, N. Y. City.

These resolutions cannot be carried out because there are no gas-mains in that part of the City, nor a gas company having a contract with the City for that neighborhood.

No 976. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Park Ave. E., from 182nd to 184th Street.

No 977. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 184th Street, from Webster Avenue to Park Avenue West, and in Park Avenue West to 183rd Street.

Park Avenue East, from 182nd to 184th Street, is not regulated and graded, and Park Avenue West, from 183rd to 184th Street, is not regulated and graded, and there are no houses. It is recommended that these resolutions be not approved.

No 979. For gas-mains, etc., in Hoe Street, from Jennings Street to 172nd Street.

Hoe Street is not open between 172nd and 176th Streets and is not graded. The resolution is premature.

No 983. For gas-mains, etc., in Suburban Street, from Boston Road to Penfold Avenue, etc.

Suburban Street, from Boston Road to Penfold Avenue, is misnamed. It should be Suburban Place. The resolution should be amended accordingly. It is otherwise unobjectionable.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. T. Collis

Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works.
Commissioner's Office.

150 Nassau Street,

New York, September 29, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayer.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No. 947, to permit Bruno Scholz to keep a sign on a tree in front of No. 92 2nd Avenue, I beg to report that the tree referred to is on the sidewalk at the curb, and that a sign attached thereto would be illegal. I, therefore, recommend that the resolution be not approved.

Very respectfully,

Howard Thomas Wilder

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, October 5, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 16, for two fire-hydrants in City Island, I beg to report that there are no water-mains in City Island, and there is no appropriation for setting hydrants in the newly annexed district.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James H. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the bottom.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, October 7, 1896

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 13, to permit John Harnett to place and keep a watering-trough on the south side of 98th Street, about 25 feet west of Madison Avenue, I beg to report that a watering-trough at that place is desirable, and there is no objection to the resolution ,

Very respectfully,

Frederick W. Wicks

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, October 12, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 44, to permit S. D. Wohlfeil to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 1,563 First Avenue, I beg to report that there is no objection to the resolution, and it is recommended that it be approved.

Very respectfully,

Howard Payne Woods

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

Department of Public Works

Commissioner's Office

~~*New York City*~~

150 Nassau St.

New York, October 20, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to present my report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

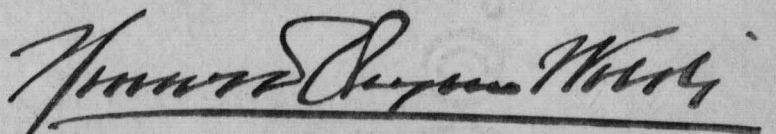
No. 75. To light 111th Street, between the boulevard and Riverside Drive.

No. 87. Permitting P. Gomprechts and Sons to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No. 978 3rd Avenue.

No. 89. Permitting the German Exchange Bank to keep two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps in front of No. 330 Bowery.

There is no objection to these resolutions, and I recommend that they be approved.

Very respectfully,



DEPUTY Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works

Commissioner's Office

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, October 27, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to present reports on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 95. To appoint Henry E. Oestreich, jr., 127 East 93rd Street, a City Surveyor.

Our Consulting Engineer reports that Mr Oestreich is familiar with the theory and practice of City surveying, and competent to perform the duties of a City Surveyor. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 117. To fence vacant lots in front of Nos 7, 9 and 11 East 109th Street.

The Consulting Engineer reports that it is necessary to fence these lots, and it is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 122. To regulate, grade, etc., 188th Street, from Audubon to Wadsworth Avenue.

This improvement is asked for by the property owners. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 116. For crosswalks on 117th Street, at 7th and St. Nicholas Avenues.

As certified in the accompanying certificate, these crosswalks are necessary for the safety, health and convenience of the public.

No 104. To permit John W. Morgan to erect a pole for a political banner at the S. W. corner of Spring and Washington Streets.

There is no objection to this resolution, but in such cases it is customary for the applicant to obtain the consent of the owner of the property in front of which the pole and banner are to be placed.

No 118. To place an improved iron drinking-fountain at the N. W. corner of Washington and Tremont Avenues.

This Department has no objection to the placing of an improved iron drinking-fountain at the place designated, but perhaps Mr Haffen's views should be asked for as the location is within his jurisdiction.

No 125. To pave 98th Street, from Lexington to Park Avenue, with asphalt block pavement.

This improvement is necessary, and it is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 96. For crosswalks on 3rd Avenue, at 119th and 120th Streets.

There is no objection to this resolution, and it is recommended that it be approved.

No 123. To pave Park Avenue (east side) from 97th to 100th Street, with asphalt blocks on concrete foundation.

No 124. To pave Park Avenue (east side) from 100th to 102nd Street, with granite blocks on concrete foundation.

Both these improvements are very necessary. I recommend that the resolutions be approved.

No 109. Permitting the Gansevoort Freezing and Cold Storage Company to lay a track on West Street, between Horatio and Gansevoort Street.

This resolution is opposed on the ground that

the placing of another track on West Street, with cars thereon more or less to be loaded and unloaded, would obstruct the general traffic. It is recommended that the resolution be not approved.

No 111. To permit C. Lindner to erect a post and run a rail to the house front of his premises, Third Street, near 1st Avenue.

This post and rail are already in place, and have been complained of to this Department. They constitute an illegal obstruction and ought to be removed. I recommend that the resolution be not approved.

No 120. For a crosswalk on Kingsbridge Road, in front of Grammar School No 52, near 208th Street.

As this road will be paved with asphalt next Spring, a crosswalk, if laid now, would then have to be torn up. A temporary crossing will be made by the Superintendent of Streets which will serve until the new pavement is laid. Under these circumstances, I recommend that the resolution be not approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. D. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, November 2, 1896

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 133, George C. Mason, No 1,423 Lexington Avenue, a City Surveyor, I have the honor to report that, in the opinion of our Consulting Engineer, Mr Mason is competent to perform the duties of a City Surveyor. I, therefore, recommend that the resolution be approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles A. T. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

No. 150 Nassau Street,

New York, Nov. 2nd 1896. *189*

My dear Sir;

I desire to withdraw my nonapproval of the resolution of the Board of Aldermen authorizing the laying of a track or switch on the east side of West Street extending from Horatio Street to Gansevoort Street, by the Gansevoort Freezing and Cold Storage Company.

I now learn it is simply changing the locality of a track already existing, and I do not desire to interpose any objection thereto.

Yours very truly,

Charles A. T. Collins

Commissioner.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor's Office.

Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.

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150 Nassau Street,

New York, November 2, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to present report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 137. To permit George Huber to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 106 East 14th Street.

No 138. To permit J. K. Parker to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of Nos 118 and 120 East 14th Street.

No 140. To permit C. J. Smith to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 162 Avenue A.

No 141. To permit John Ennis to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 142 East 14th Street.

There is no objection to either of these four resolutions, and it is recommended that they be approved.

No 129. To permit Robert Graham Dun to extend a vault in Manhattan Alley.

This Department has a four-inch water-main in Manhattan Alley, and, under existing conditions, may be called upon to construct a sewer, which, with the water main already in the alley, would require the whole width of the street. In any case the privilege to extend the vault should not be granted except by

consent of all the property owners on Manhattan and
Republican Alley.

Very respectfully,

Charles A. T. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

150 Nassau Street,

New York, November 11, 1896

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 166, appointing William F. Rudolphy of 57th Street and Lexington Avenue a City Surveyor, I beg to report that our Consulting Engineer has examined Mr Rudolphy and states that he is competent to perform the duties of a City Surveyor. I therefore recommend that the resolution be approved.

Very respectfully,

Samuel H. Wilder
Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

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150 Nassau Street,

New York, November 17, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,

M a y o r .

Dear Sir:

As requested, I beg to submit report on the following resolutions , passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No 248. Permitting Jacob Heim to place and keep an ornamental lamp-post in front of his premises, No 1,309 Broadway.

There is no objection to this resolution, and it is recommended that it be approved.

✓ No 247. To permit George W. O'Connor to keep a watering-trough at the N. E. corner of Jerome Avenue and the Southern Boulevard.

There is no objection to this resolution.

✓ No 170. To permit Messrs Miller and Zimmerman to place and keep an iron watering-trough on the sidewalk near the curb in front of their premises, No 1,401 5th Avenue.

The premises referred to are on the N. E. corner of 5th Avenue and 115th Street, and there is already a watering trough on the south-east corner. The proposed watering trough is, therefore, unnecessary.

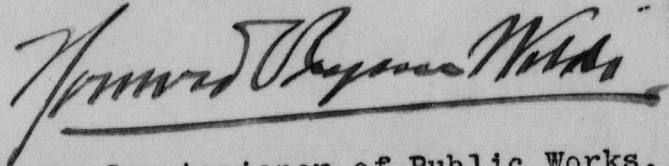
✓ No 171. To permit Max Luria to keep an iron watering-trough in front of No 613 1st Avenue.

No 613 1st Avenue is at the corner of 35th Street, and the resolution should be amended to provide that the

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trough be placed on the street instead of on the avenue.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Samuel D. Beaman". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosures.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, November 23, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

As requested, I present report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

✓ No 280. To permit George R. Clark to place a watering-trough on the south-east corner of Jerome Avenue and the Southern Boulevard.

✓ No 281. To permit D. O. Sullivan to keep a watering-trough on the north-west corner of Vyse and Tremont Avenues.

The location of these watering-troughs is in the annexed district, and there is no data in this office showing why the resolutions should not be approved if the work is done and the water furnished at the expense of Mr Clark and Mr Sullivan respectively.

✓ No 284. To pave 95th Street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive, with asphalt.

This is a very desirable improvement and it is recommended that the resolution be approved.

✓ No 290. To fence vacant lots Nos 532, 534 and 536 West 44th Street.

It is necessary to fence these lots to prevent the commission of nuisances thereon. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

✓ No 279. To permit Costink Bros to keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of No 209 East Houston Street.

There is no objection to this resolution.

✓ No 305. To lay water-mains in Amsterdam Avenue (west side) from 120th to 123rd Street.

✓ No 304. To lay water-mains in Boulevard Lafayette, from the Western Boulevard to a point 2000 feet north.

✓ No 291. To lay water-mains in 34th Street, between Lexington and 7th Avenues, etc.

✓ No 292. To lay water-mains in 111th Street, between Amsterdam Avenue and Riverside Drive.

✓ No 293. To lay water-mains in Trinity Avenue, between 165th and 168th Streets.

✓ No 296. To lay water-mains in 110th Street, between Central Park West and Riverside Drive.

✓ No 294. To lay water-mains in 108th Street, between Columbus and Manhattan Avenues.

✓ No 298. To lay water-mains in 127th Street, between the Boulevard and Manhattan Street.

✓ No 299. To lay water-mains in 11th Avenue, between 179th and 181st Streets.

✓ No 300. To lay water-mains in Wendover Avenue, between 3rd and Webster Avenues.

✓ No 302. To lay water-mains in Crotona or Franklin Avenue, from Lebanon to Samuel Street.

✓ No 303. To lay water-mains in Intervale Avenue and other streets in the 23rd Ward.

The water-mains provided for in these twelve resolutions are necessary, and it is recommended that they be approved.

✓ No 289. To authorize the Commissioner of Public Works to remove an iron fountain from No 542 West 14th Street and set it at the corner of Little West 12th Street and 13th Avenue.

As I understand that the change proposed in this resolution is for the private benefit of the owner of a liquor store, I recommend that the resolution be not approved.

✓ No 270. To place and light six lamps in front of the Church of the Ascension, on the north side of 107th Street between Amsterdam Avenue and the Boulevard.

This Church has a frontage of 75 feet with three

entrances. In the opinion of the Superintendent of Lamps and Gas, a smaller number than six lamps would be sufficient.

✓ No 295. To lay water-mains in Pelham Avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to Main Street, etc.

Pelham Avenue and Main Street should be graded before water-mains are laid. The resolution is premature.

✓ No 297. To lay water-mains in Anthony Avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to Garfield Street.

As Anthony Avenue is within the lines of the New Concourse, its present grade and lines will be changed, hence the resolution should not be approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles H. T. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York, December 1, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

On the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 328, to permit George J. Kraus to erect a storm-door in front of Nos 126-130 East 14th Street, I beg leave to report that the dimensions of the storm-door are in excess of those allowed by the ordinance of March 1886 relating to such structures, and would therefore constitute an illegal encroachment on the public sidewalk. I, therefore, recommend that the resolution be not approved.

Very respectfully,

Samuel Mayson Wilder

DEPUTY Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosure.

*Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.*

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150 Nassau Street,

New York. December 7, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y e r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 348. To pave Kingsbridge Road, from 190th Street to the Harlem River, with asphalt, except on steep grades where granite or syenite shall be used.

This is a very necessary improvement, and the approval of the resolution is recommended.

No 371. To fence the vacant lots on the S. E. corner of Riverside Drive and West 78th Street.

It is necessary to fence these lots. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 373. To regulate and grade 163rd Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to Edgecombe Road.

No 343. To regulate and grade Terrace View Avenue, from Broadway to Kingsbridge Avenue.

The title to these streets is now vested in the City and the regulating and grading of them would benefit the public. It is therefore recommended that the resolutions be approved.

No 354. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Fleetwood Avenue, from East 177th Street to a point 150 feet north.

No 355. To light 98th Street, between West End Avenue and Riverside Drive.

No 356. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 142nd Street, from Convent to Amsterdam Avenue.

No 357. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 144th Street, from Convent Avenue to Hamilton Terrace.

No 358. To lay gas-mains in 179th Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to Kingsbridge Road.

No 359. To lay gas-mains in 183rd Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to Kingsbridge Road.

No 360. To light 140th Street and other streets in the 23rd Ward.

No 361. To light Bryant Street, from Home to Jennings Street.

No 363. To lay gas-mains, etc., in 236th Street, from Katonah Avenue to Bronx River road.

No 364. To light Intervale Avenue, between Westchester Avenue and Freeman Street.

No 365. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Palisade Place, from Popham Avenue to a point 250 feet west.

No 366. To lay gas-mains, etc., in Winford Place, from Jennings Street to a point about 300 feet north.

No 368. To light 142nd Street, from Brook to St. Ann's Avenue.

No 369. For three additional lamps in front of the Immaculate Conception, 14th Street.

No 370. For gas-mains in Fulton Avenue, between Pelham Avenue and St. John's College Grounds.

All the gas-mains, public lamps, etc., called for in the 15 preceding resolutions are necessary, and it is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

No 372. To pave 114th Street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive, with asphalt blocks on concrete foundation.

The Water Purveyor reports that 340 lineal feet of this street have a grade of 9 per cent., which is too steep for asphalt block pavement. This area should be paved with granite blocks, and it is recommended that the resolution and ordinance be amended accordingly.

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No 379. To permit the Commercial Cable Company to remove the pillar and globe from the curb in front of the premises No 12 West 27th Street to a like position in front of the premises No 1,269 Broadway.

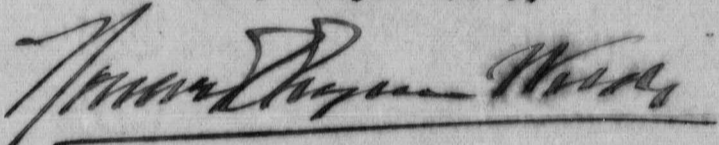
The Superintendent of Incumbrances reports that the placing of the pillar and globe of the Commercial Cable Company on the sidewalk in front of No 1,269 Broadway would constitute an illegal obstruction.

No 362. To light Longfellow Street, from Home to Jennings Street.

No 367. To light Stebbins Avenue, from 400 feet north of Jennings Street to East 169th Street.

These thoroughfares are not regulated and graded and have no sidewalks on which to place public lamps. The resolutions are premature.

Very respectfully,



Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office,
~~At 210 Broadway, New York~~
150 Nassau Street,
New York, December 14, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report to you on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 433. To permit David Brown and Co. to lay pipe for conducting salt water from the Hudson River to 52nd Street and 12th Avenue.

There is no objection to this resolution, provided Messrs Brown and Co. get a permit from this Department and from the Dock Department to do the work.

No 435. To permit D. Scheer to suspend a canvas sign from in front of No 102 Bowery.

The Superintendent of Incumbrances reports that the proposed sign would extend across the sidewalk and be attached to the pillar of the elevated railroad there. A sign of this character would be illegal, and it is therefore recommended that the resolution be not approved.

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Department of Public Works.

Commissioner's Office,

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150 Nassau Street,

New York, December 22, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 477. To pave 101st Street, from Madison to 5th Avenue, with asphalt blocks on concrete foundation.

This is a very desirable improvement. It is therefore recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 469. To lay water-mains in 98th Street, between West End Avenue and Riverside Drive.

No 470. To lay water-mains in the Boulevard, between 119th and 122nd Street, etc.

No 471. To lay water-mains in Stebbins Avenue, 400 feet north from Jennings Street to East 169th Street.

The water-mains provided for in these three resolutions are necessary. It is recommended that the resolutions be approved.

No 463. To permit Helen C. Juillard to lay a steam pipe in St. John's Lane.

There is no objection to this resolution as it provides that the usual fee shall be paid for the privilege and that the work shall be done under the supervision of this Department at the applicant's expense.

No 460 . To permit Rocco Marasco to erect and maintain a show window in front of No 55 Spring Street.

There is no objection to this resolution as it provides that the show window shall be such as will comply

in all respects with the provisions of the ordinance adopted May 21st, 1895.

No 455. To erect an additional lamp-post, with lamp, in front of the Press Club No 34 West 26th Street.

As there is no lamp in front of the Press Club, there is no objection to the resolution.

No 473. To lay water-mains in Anthony Avenue, from Gray Street to 174th Street.

No 474. To lay water-mains in East 170th Street, from Crotona Avenue to Boston Road.

No 475. To lay water-mains in Quarry Road, from Arthur Avenue to Lafontain Avenue, etc.

The sections of Anthony Avenue, East 170th Street and Quarry Road in which it is proposed to lay water-mains, are not graded. They should be graded before water mains are laid.

No 472. To lay water-mains in Intervale Avenue, from Freeman Street to Wilkins Place.

There are no houses to be supplied with water on this part of Intervale Avenue, hence the resolution is premature.

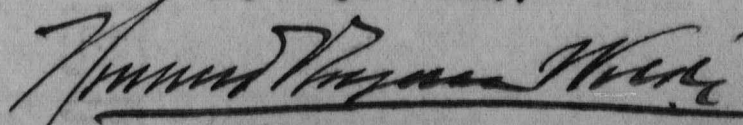
No 465. To permit Henry Koch of No 2,204 8th Avenue to place and keep a storm-door in front of said premises.

No 461. To permit Thomas Ohl to place and keep a storm-door in front of his premises N. E. corner of 125th Street and 2nd Avenue.

No 456. To permit Joseph Ullmann to place and keep a storm-door in front of No 165 Mercer Street.

Storm-doors are illegal encroachments on the public sidewalks. It is therefore recommended that resolutions Nos 465, 461 and 456 be not approved.

Very respectfully,



Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

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Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office.

~~150 Nassau Street,~~

150 Nassau Street,

New York. December 10, 1896.

H. C. Bailey, Esq.,
150 Broadway.

Dear Sir:

I have received through the Mayor's office for attention your letter of December 9th, complaining that on 14th Street, just west of 6th Avenue, there is a large U. S. flag used for advertising purposes, which ought to be removed.

In reply, I would state that the Superintendent of Incumbrances reports that the flag of which you complain is in front of the building occupied by the Salvation Army. On the 8th inst. the officers of the Army were notified to remove the flag and did it promptly.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) Howard Payson Wilds,

Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

Transmitted to the Mayor
for his information, as requested.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

No. 150 Nassau Street,

New York, December 28, 1896.

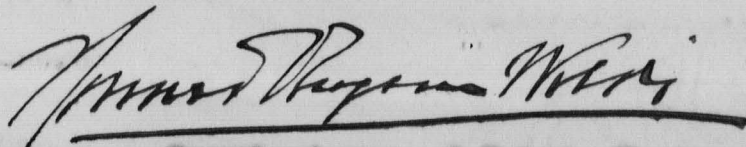
HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,

M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, No 476, to pave 98th Street, from West End Avenue to Riverside Drive, with asphalt blocks, I have the honor to report that the grade is too steep for a pavement of this character, or for granite blocks. At West End Avenue the elevation is 75 feet; 100 feet west of West End Avenue, 76 feet, and then it falls in $265\frac{1}{4}$ feet to an elevation of 51 feet, making the maximum $9\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. If a uniform grade had been adopted, it would have been less than 6.6 per cent, which would make an asphalt block pavement practicable. I recommend that the resolution be not approved because neither an asphalt nor a granite pavement can be laid on that street until the grade is changed and made uniform.

Very respectfully,


DEPUTY Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,

Commissioner's Office,

No. 150 Nassau Street,

New York,

December 31, 1896.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG,
M a y o r.

Dear Sir:

As requested, I present report on the following resolutions, passed by the Board of Aldermen and now awaiting your action:

No 479. To appoint Albert Carr a City Surveyor.

The Consulting Engineer reports that Mr Carr is familiar with the theory and practice of surveying and competent to perform the duties of a City Surveyor.

No 522. To flag the north side of 88th Street, east of Madison Avenue.

I have certified to the Board of Aldermen that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that this sidewalk be flagged. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 525. To fence vacant lots on the north side of 116th Street, between 5th and Lenox Avenues.

No 526. To fence vacant lots on the south-east corner of 116th Street and 5th Avenue.

As these lots are used as dumping grounds for rubbish thus creating a nuisance, it is necessary to fence them. It is recommended that the resolution be approved.

No 523. To pave 95th Street, from Madison to 5th Avenue, with asphalt blocks on concrete.

This improvement is necessary. I recommend that the resolution be approved.

Very respectfully,

Charles D. T. Collins

Commissioner of Public Works.

Enclosures.