

EXHIBIT C
DEPARTMENT OF WATER MANAGEMENT LETTER



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City of Chicago
Department of Transportation
Division of Project Development / PUBLIC WAY
2 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 950
Chicago, IL 60602-2570

Attn: Mr. Jai Kalayil
Deputy Commissioner

Re: Proposed Dedication Ordinance
29th Ward
For: Neal and Leroy, LLC

**Dedication of two alleys in the block bounded by S Lotus St, W Congress Pkwy,
S Lockwood Ave and W Harrison St.**

OUC File No. VD-134069

M&P Project No. 16-29-25-4121

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Dear Mr. Kalayil:

This letter is in response to your inquiry concerning the proposed dedication. After reviewing our records, the Department of Water Management (DWM) has determined the following:

I) DWM - Water Section

There are no water facilities within the limits of the areas proposed for dedication. Therefore, the Water Section has no objection to the proposed dedication.

All water services no longer in use must be permanently terminated as part of the proposed development by permit per DWM standards.

For questions regarding water facilities, please contact Andrew McFarland at andrew.mcfarland@cityofchicago.org.

II) DWM - Sewer Section

Based on current sewer records, there are no public sewer facilities within the limits of the area proposed for dedication. Existing ground elevations indicate that both areas proposed for dedication lack positive drainage toward the existing roadway ROW, resulting in localized ponding and an inadequate drainage system within the public alley. However, CDOT has an upcoming Capital Alley Program project (23-CP #9, EFP-133971) which will accept the drainage from the areas to be dedicated and provide the necessary future grading, drainage, and infrastructure improvements. The Sewer Section has no objection to the proposed dedication, provided the following are part of the dedication ordinance.

- a. CDOT will be accepting the areas to be dedicated as public alleys in their existing condition, along with the associated responsibilities for future grading, drainage, and infrastructure improvements as addressed in their Capital Alley Program project.

- b. Existing private sewers in the areas to be dedicated will be sealed and removed at the expense of the beneficiary, in accordance with the standard procedures of the Department of Water Management, Sewer Section.
- c. If and when the existing private main sewers and appurtenances are abandoned, the abandonment plans must meet the Department of Water Management, Sewer Design Section's requirements.
- d. Private structures are not allowed in the public right of way without an ordinance established by the City Council. Existing private structures must be relocated into private property, abandoned or established through a City Council ordinance.
- e. It is the owner's / developer's responsibility to provide proper drainage in the areas to be dedicated. When the final plans are available, the owner's / developer's engineering staff must discuss those plans with Sewer Section Engineering Personnel. The plans must be submitted through the OUC-EFP review process.
- f. Please be advised that any underground sewer work, including the public main sewers and sewer structures associated with the proposed dedications, must be submitted for review and installed at the expense of the beneficiary. The maintenance of the public sewers and sewer structures will be accepted by the Department of Water Management only, after physical and videotape inspection approved by the Department of Water Management.
- g. Permits are required to be obtained by a Licensed Drainlayer from the Department of Buildings - Sewer Permit Section for all underground sewer work, in both the public way and on private property. As-built plans of the public sewer and combined public main sewers indicating the street location of the main sewer(s) and appurtenances must be submitted to the Department of Water Management for record purposes within 30 days of completion.

If there are any questions regarding the sewer facilities, contact Alexander Huynh at 312-744-4420 and Anupam Verma at 312-742-7108.

Very truly yours,


Randy Conner
Commissioner