#### Council Chamber April 16th 1859

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met this evening at 72 Oclock P.M. present his Honor the Mayor and all the Councilman except Mr. Dunlap.

The minutes of the previous meeting where read and approved as amended.

By Mr. Porter

April 16th 1859

To the City Council

The undersigned ask the Council to Order a Side walk to be made, and the gutter cleaned, at the crossing of the West Side of Alabama Street and Ohio Street the Old Sidewalk has been dug away during this week, it is Very muddy, and there are no foot bridges, the entire Street has been graveled Several years ago, and this is the only unfinished part.
H. C. Newcomb

John Coburn.

On motion the Street Commissioner was directed to make the crossing over the Street and also clean the gutter.

By Mr. English Indianapolis April 16th 1859

To His Honor the Mayor, and members of the Common Council of Indianapolis Gentlemen.

We the undersigned citizens and free holders of that part of the first ward, laying North of Vermont Street, respectfully petition your honorable body to take the necessary Steps to cause the first ward to be so divided as to make all of Said ward North of Vermont Street a new and aditional ward.

Names

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- l Joseph K. English
- 2 Aaron Clem
- 3 Jeremiah E. Feary

- 18 Henry Syrup
- 19 John E. Kingsbury
- 20 P.H.Lowe
- 3 Jeremiah E.Feary
  4 H.Bertselman
  2 John H. Meyer
  5 Henry Kettenbach
  6 (Illegible)
  7 Wilhelm Sepwines
  8 Cristian Ennis
  2 Christian Swartz
  26 W. W. Day



10 Frederick Herbst	27 Philop Holler
ll Philip Ennis	28 Charley Shellman
12 Jacob Schultz	29 Henry Heleser
13 A.J.Hinesley	30 John Northway
14 E. Haugh	31 King English
15 L.B. Williamson	32 Benj Harrison
16 A.Hitchcock	33 Eli C. Sulgrove
17 M.L.Coyner	34 Jerry L. Day
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Mr. Wright	2
James Patterson David S. Beatty	6
David Wallace	3
Thomas Baker	6
N.B. Taylor	4
Mr. Foltz	2
Eli Sulgrove	2
A. Hitchcock	2
Benjamin Harrison	4
C.Bacon George Brown	ວ 3
Jacob Beck	4
James Loucks	5
John L. Avery	3
Phillop Holler	3
John Shellonbarger	3
Wm. Brown	4
Wm Deford	5
W. Featherston	3

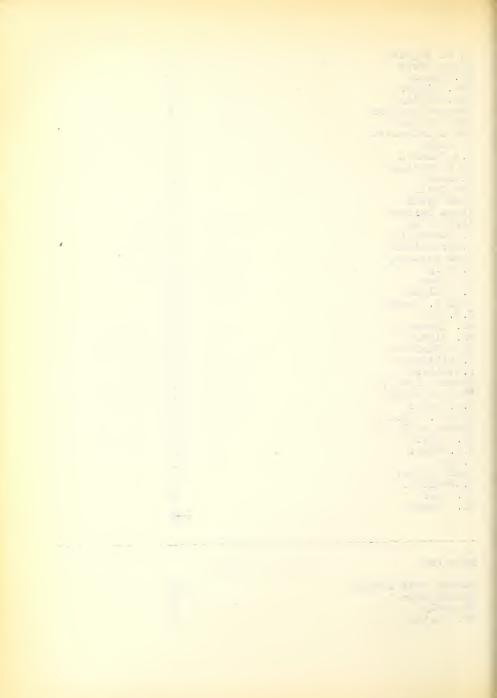
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	aron Clem	3
	. McLaughlin	4
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	ohn Northway	4
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	r. Lowe	4
	. Altland	9
	ohn H. Meyes	3
	.P.Pope	2
M	r. Thompson	5
N	r. Hiser	2
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F	. Talkington	4
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	ohn E. Fondray	6
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Philip Oakley 3
Joseph Ince 3
Robert B. Barbee 3
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State of Indiania)
Marion County (

Joseph K. English and John H. Meyers, first being duly Sworn, upon their Oaths respectively do Severally Say that the persons, whose names are Signed to the foregoing petition, are freeholders within and residents of that part of the first ward lying north of Vermont Street, and within the limits of the new ward proposed to be created, and that the above enumeration of inhabitants therein contained is correct, So far as it goes, and contains only a portion of Such inhabitants.

Joseph K. English
John H. Meyer.

Sworn and Subscribed before me April 16th 1859
Samuel D. Maxwell
Mayor.

On motion by Mr. Fletcher the above petition enumeration and affidavits were referred to the Same Committee to whom was referred the petition. Enumeration and affidavit of Citizens of the Seventh ward East of East Street asking a division of Said Ward, Committee consisting of Messrs English, Vandegrift and Fletcher.

By Mr. Cotrell,
To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis.
We the undersigned property owners on New Jersey Street, between South and Merrill Street would ask the privalege of your Honorable body of grading the Sidewalk, and half the Street in front of their property.
T.M.Stevans)

John S.Bobbs (Adminstrators of Joshua Stevens Estate No of feet 420 H.Farling 195

On motion the above petition was laid on the table.

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By Mr. Cottrell
Resolved, That the administrators of the estate of J. Stevens
and H. Failing be permited to grade, at their own expense New
Jersey Street in front of their lots, and the Engineer is here-

by instructed to Set the proper grade Stakes, and to Superintend Said work providing Said work Shall be completed within Sixty days from the passage of this resolution April 16th 1859.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesdorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter & Vandegrift 13. Noes. None. Adopted.

By Mr. English Indianapolis April 16th 1859

To His Honor the Mayor and Members of the Common Council Gentlemen

We the undersigned owners of property on Noble Street, between North Street and Massachusetts Avenue, respectfully petition your honorable body to order Said Street to be graded and graveled with pit gravel.

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Names	No of feet
H.Schnomier	50
F. Stellhorn	25
Jos Grube	25
William Scwomier	40
F.W.Lohrorher	50
John F. Brucikman	<del>4</del> 0
John T. Mohlenkoff	80
John Gebzenlichter	20
Edward Merryman	50
Total no of feet	380

On motion the above petition was laid on the table.

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To His Honor the Mayor and members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Gentlemen.

We the undersigned owners of property on North Street, between East and Liberty Streets, respectfully petition your honorable body to cause Said Street to be graded and graveled with pit gravel.

Names	No of feet
Johnathan Davis	165
Peter Swinehart	185
Victor Plugstooth	195
W.M.Wheatley	125
James Pigg	<u>25</u> 695
Total no of feet	695

On motion the above petition was laid on the table.

From Select Committee
By Mr. English Indianapolis April 16th 1859

Mr. President.

We the undersigned committee to whom was referred the petitions of resident free holders of the East part of the Seventh ward, and North part of the first ward, asking for the division of Said wards, and for the creation of a new and additional ward out of the East part of the Seventh ward also for a new and aditional ward out of the northern part of the first ward, have examined Said petitions and the accompanying enumeration of the inhabitants of the proposed new wards, and find the petitions enumerations and affidavits to be all that the City Charter requires in Such cases, we therefore reccommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Joseph K. English)
S.A.Fletcher (Committee
J.Vandegrift)

Resolved, That the propisition for the Creation of two new & additional wards one of that part of the Seventh ward lying East of East Street and one of that part of the first ward lying North of Vermont Street, be Submitted to the votes of the City at the general Election

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to be held on Tuesday the third day of May 1859, that all such votes which are in favour of the proposition Shall place "Yes" on their ballots and those opposed to the proposition place the word "no" on their ballots, according to Section 78 of the City Charter. English, Fletcher & Vandegrift, Committee.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Pratt, Hadley, North, Porter and Vandegrift 9.
Noes Messrs Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Locke, and McNabb 4.

Adopted.

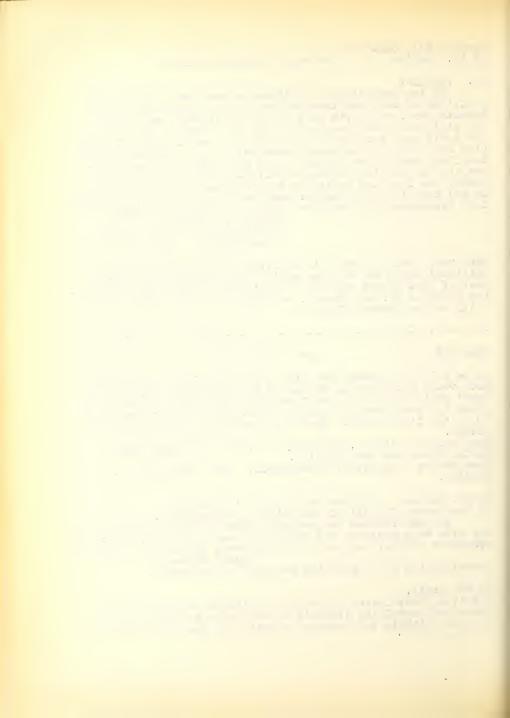
By Mr. Durham Indianapolis April 16th 1859
To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis.

The undersigned respectfully asks the permission to grade the Side walk oppisite his dwelling place number 24, Mass-achusetts avenue, Subject to the approval of the City Engineer.

Thomas Beynon

On motion the above petition was laid on the table.

By Mr. Pratt,
Resolved, That Messrs Blake Ray and others be permited to
grade and gravel the Sidewalk on the North Side of Ohio Streets
between Illinois and Meridian Streets and the Civil Engineer



is hereby instructed to Set the proper grade Stakes, the Same to be done within Sixty days.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Van degrift 13. Noes None Adopted.

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By Mr. Fletcher
Resolved, That the Civil Engineer be instructed to advertise
for Sealed proposals to be recieved at the next regular meeting
of the Council for opening a ditch on eastern donation Street
Street, at a point near the crossing of Harrison Street of
Sufficient capacity to change the course of a Stream of water
known as Virginia River, down Said east donation Street to the
Corporation line on Virginia Avenue from thence by the old
Shelbyville road or through private property to pleasant Run.
the most expedient Route to be determined by the Civil Engineer
and the Committee on Streets and alleys the Common Council
reserving the right to reject any or all Such bids.

On motion by Mr. Porter the above resolution was amended by requireing the bidders to Specify for what Sum they will do Such work per cubic yard, and also the gross Sum for which they will do the same.

The resolution as amended was then adopted by the following vote.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb North and Vandegrift 13.

Noes. None. Adopted.

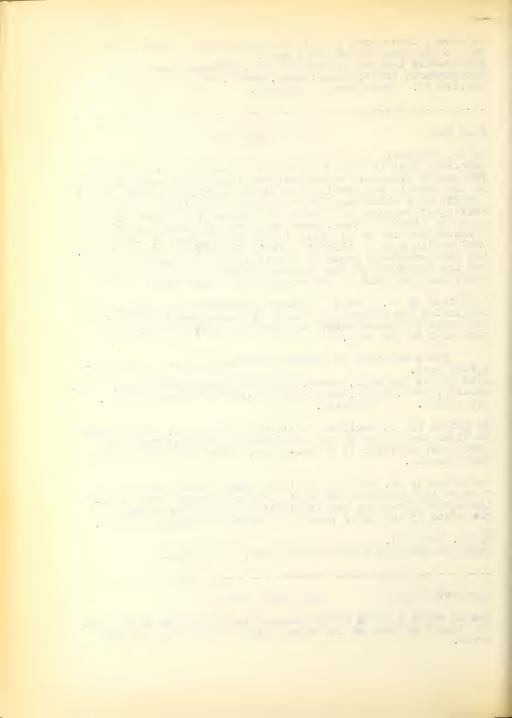
On motion by Mr. English the Street Commissioner was directed to Clean the gutter on the west Side of Bellfontaine Rail Road track wherever it is necessary, between Market and New York Streets.

On motion by Mr. Hadley the Street Commissioner was directed to open the gutter on the East Side of Deleware Street, between Washington and Market Street to convey the water from the roots of the trees recently planted by Sheriff Wallace.

By Mr. Cottrell, Resolved That the Street Commissioner be instruc-

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ted to build a plank bridge across Virginia river on New Jerset Street as Soon as the Stone walls are finished on Said River.



Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift 13. Noes, None. Adopted.

By Mr. Hadley
Resolved That the Civil Engineer be directed to allow Harden
Parish a Sufficient amount of dirt from any Surplus on Michigan Street or wherever it may be most convenient to fill
the gravel pit on his Lot excavated to make the Sidewalks on
Deleware Street.

Ayes Messrs English, Greenfield, Hadley, Porter and Vandegrift 5. Noes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, Fletcher, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Locke, McNabb, and North 8. Was not adopted.

By Mr. North

Whearas a question exists as to the legality of holding an Election on the first Teusday in May 1859 for the election of municipal officers, and wheasas Said question cannot be Settled only by the court of appeals, therefore be it resolved.

That the propriety and policy of ordering an election to be held on the first Teusday in May 1859 for the purpose of electing municipal officers for the City of Indianapolis be referred to the judiciary Committee together with the City attorney and they be required to report at the next meeting of this Council.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift 13. Noes - None. Adopted.

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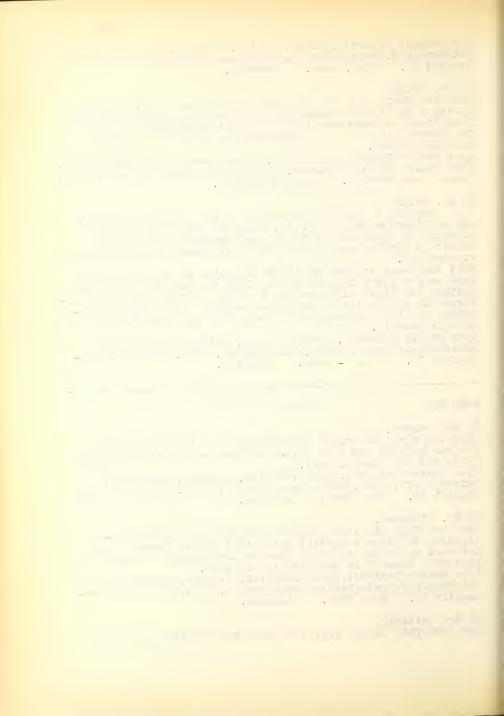
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By Mr. Durham,
Resolved That the Street Commissioner be directed to fill
the mud hole on new York Street as Soon as possible, between
Noble and Rail Road Street.
Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield,
Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift 13. Noes None. Adopted.

By Mr. Fletcher, Resolved That the Civil Engineer be and he is hereby instructed to issue a partial estimate to James Russell for his work on Noble Street So Soon as the Engineer is Satisfied that Said Russell is entitled to the Same.

Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift 13. Noes None. Adopted.

By Mr. Cottrell, Resolved That George W.Hill be permited to plank the South



Side walk and gutter on Georgia Street, between east Street and the first alley east of East Street, to be done under the approval of the Civil Engineer. Ayes Messrs Cottrell, Durham, English, Fletcher, Greenfield, Geiesendorff, Pratt, Hadley, Locke, McNabb, North, Porter and Vandegrift 13. Noes None. Adopted.

On motion by Mr. English The Street Commissioner was directed

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to fill the gutter on the east of New Jersey Street at the crossing of New York Street.

By Mr. Fletcher Indianapolis April 16th 1859

Caty of Indianapolis
To David Small assessor for Said City for Services from January 10th 1859 to April 16th 1859 both inclusive at from 13 to 15 hours per day for 84 days making at the average of 9 hours per day 126 days labor at \$2.00 per day \$252.00 David Small assessor. (2795)

On motion by Mr. English the Clerk was ordered to issue an Order in favour of David Small for One Hundred and Thirty five dollars, and the account was referred to the Committee on accounts.

Mr. North moved to reconsider the vote awarding the contract on Indiania Avenue and Alabama Street, and Said bids be referred back to Committee on Streets and Alleys with the Civil Engineer to report the lowest responsible bidder which Motion was adopted.

And on motion the Council adjourned. Samuel D. Maxwell Mayor Attest

> John G. Waters City Clerk

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