

RESOLUTION NO. 6-44

By Mr. Stephan

Accepting the proposal of the Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company for raising the existing rails of said Company in Main Street from the bridge over Alum Creek to Drexel Avenue, in connection with the improvement of Main Street, and for removal of said rails in case of discontinuance of car service.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 3-44 adopted August 2nd, 1944, the Council proposed to co-operate with the Director of Highways of the State of Ohio in the improvement of East Main Street thru the City of Bexley, by resurfacing the same for the entire width thereof with bituminous concrete and by making necessary repairs to the base, and

WHEREAS, such proceedings have been had that a contract has been entered into between the City of Bexley and the State Highway Director of Ohio to co-operate in the making of such improvement, and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary that the rails of the Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company in said East Main Street from Alum Creek bridge to Drexel Avenue be raised 3 or 4 inches above their present level, so as to meet with the level of said street as improved, and

WHEREAS, said Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company by letter addressed to the Mayor of the City of Bexley, under date of August 1st, 1944, and in confirmation of negotiations theretofore had, proposed to raise said rails, and to remove same upon discontinuance of car service, which letter is as follows:

"Columbus, Ohio, August 1, 1944

Mr. Wm. A. Schneider
Mayor, City of Bexley
Bexley, Ohio

Dear Mr. Schneider:

We wish to confirm our conversation concerning the improvement to the car tracks to the location of a new pavement surface. This Company will raise existing rails a height of 3 or 4 inches as may be determined by an engineer of this Company and an engineer representing the City of Bexley.

To accomplish this it will be necessary to break into the concrete foundation for the entire length of the rails and at both ends of the wood ties, which are spaced at about 30 inches center, for the installation of a 12 inch by 6 inch wooden block of the proper height. The height of the block will be as required when the elevations have been determined by the engineers.

It is our understanding that after the tracks are raised the City of Bexley will have constructed the necessary concrete foundation and the installation of bituminous pavement throughout the car track area - all at no cost to this Company.

When and if street car service to Bexley is discontinued, this Company will remove its rails by burning them off at the top of the concrete pavement base and restore the bituminous pavement disturbed by such removal in a manner satisfactory to the engineer of your city. This to be done solely at the Company's expense.

We suggest the following procedure in the raising of these tracks. The street cars terminate at Parkview Avenue while the rails between Parkview and Drexel Avenues are raised and the concrete base and pavement installed. While such work is in progress the North Bexley bus feeder will operate west on Main Street to Parkview Avenue, north to Bryden Road, east to Drexel and then over present route. The South Bexley bus feeder should operate west on Mound Street to Sheridan Avenue, east on Main Street and then over existing route.

When the above construction is completed the cars will then terminate at Bulen Avenue to permit completion of that portion between Parkview Avenue and the Bridge. While this is in progress we will operate a bus feeder from Bulen Avenue to Drexel Avenue, and both Bexley bus operations will follow their regular routes, that is, terminate at Drexel Avenue and Main Street.

Because of the shortage of workmen, having but 16 out of a normal force of 30 available for track work, it will possibly require three weeks to raise that portion between Parkview and Drexel Avenues, so we ask if this work does go forward that we be given that amount of notice so that your portion of the work will not be delayed. We might suggest that early strength cement be used in both cases to expedite the return of car service.

If the above plan meets with the approval of your Council please advise as soon as possible and give approximate time that work will be performed so that we may arrange our program accordingly.

Very truly yours,

(signed)

M. L. Evans"

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AND, WHEREAS, Council is of the opinion that said offer and proposal of said Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company should be accepted, and the procedure therein set forth should be approved, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the offer and proposal of the Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company as set forth in the above letter

of August 1st, 1944, for the raising of the rails in East Main Street, from the bridge over Alum Creek to Drexel Avenue, and the subsequent removal thereof in case of discontinuance of street car service to Bexley, and the procedure therein outlined for the doing of said work and the maintenance of traffic as therein provided for, be, and the same is hereby accepted and approved.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that the Clerk certify a copy of this resolution to said Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company, and that the Mayor inform said Company of the approximate time that work will be commenced upon said East Main Street improvement so that said Company may arrange its work accordingly.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed September 12, 1944.

J. H. Schneider
President of Council
Pro tempore

Attest *S. W. Roderick*
S. W. Roderick
Clerk

Approved September 12, 1944.

J. H. Schneider
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Mayor

I, S. W. Roderick, Clerk of Council of the City of Bexley, Ohio, do hereby certify that there is no newspaper published in said municipality and that publication of the foregoing resolution was duly made by posting true copies thereof at five of the most public places in said corporation as determined by the Council as follows: Main Street and Parkview Avenue, Main Street and College Avenue, Main Street and Drexel Avenue, Broad Street and Drexel Avenue, and Parkview Avenue and Clifton Avenue each for a period of fifteen days commencing on the 13th day of September, 1944.

S. W. Roderick
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Clerk of Council, City of
Bexley, Ohio

