

Seattle City Clerk's Office

Comptroller File

215760

ord. 91111 - Auth agreement  
for period of 10 yrs from  
5/29/62.

FILE NO. 215760 ✓

Petition  
OF  
Lutheran Compass Mission  
for

appropriation for sanitary and social center  
in Mission in Skid Row area.

2-26-52 prep and  
3-4-52 - 72nd  
C.B. No. 72-188-72320  
80816 repeated by 80942  
(10 on file) files 17034 agreement

FILED February 25, 1952  
W. C. THOMAS  
CITY COMPTROLLER AND CITY CLERK

BY: *W. A. Powell* DEPUTY

**ACTION OF THE COUNCIL**

REFERRED	TO	FINANCE-PARKS & PUB. GRS.
FEBRUARY 25, 1952	TO	
REFERRED	TO	
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REPORTED	DISPOSITION	GRANTED
MAR 10 1952	TO	
RE-REFERRED	TO	
REPORTED	DISPOSITION	

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

Mr. President:

Your..... Finance and Parks & Public Grounds ..... Committee

to which was referred the within..... petition.....

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that.....

the same be granted.

(C.B. 72188).

*Fin.*  
CHAIRMAN

*Powell*  
P&PG  
CHAIRMAN

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS  
THE CITY OF SEATTLE

JOHN B. CAIN  
SUPERINTENDENT  
MEMBER, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
SEATTLE 4, WASHINGTON

IN RE: File No. 215760

April 1, 1952

Parks and Public Grounds Committee  
Mrs. F. F. Powell, Chairman  
City of Seattle

Dear Mrs. Powell:

We are sending you herewith Council File #215760 and Ordinance #80816, which documents constitute the contract with the Lutheran Compass Mission to establish and maintain a recreational center for homeless men at 77 Washington Street.

We call your attention to the fact that additional funds should be appropriated in the amount of \$1,900.00.

This department does not presume to question the legality of the contract, but we believe the enforcement of the contract in its present form will be very difficult.

The contract does not provide for any guarantee of performance on the part of the owners of the premises. The contract should provide that the facilities installed at the city's cost should become and remain the property of the city until the expiration of the ten year period, with the city retaining the right to remove them in the event the premises are sold.

The \$9,000.00 per year operating cost should be paid by the month in the form of rent in exchange for rental of space, supervision, heat, light, maintenance, supplies, laundry, etc.

We do not know what is contemplated by the term "recreational equipment". This should be enumerated and inventoried and should forever remain the property of the city.

It is our hope that these matters may be cleared soon, as the plans are now ready and the work should proceed as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,

*John B. Cain*  
JOHN B. CAIN  
Superintendent of Buildings

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April 1, 1952

Hon. A. C. Van Soelen  
Corporation Counsel  
City of Seattle

Dear Mr. Van Soelen:

Attached is File No. 215760, petition of Lutheran  
Compass Mission for appropriation for sanitary and social  
center in Mission in Skid Row area, and Ord. No. 80816, re.  
to same.

Will you please prepare the necessary legislation appropriating  
additional funds for this center in the amount of \$ 1,900.00  
to be drawn from the Cumulative Reserve Fund and either prepare  
a new contract or amend the old one to embody the recommendations  
outlined in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the report of the Superintendent  
of Buildings attached to the file.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. F. F. Powell, Chairman  
Parks and Public Grounds Committee

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Att.

February 27, 1952

Honorable A. C. Van Soelen  
Corporation Counsel  
City of Seattle

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly prepare the proper legislation accepting the offer of Mr. Carl F. Christophersen, President, Board of Directors of Lutheran Compass Mission, in conformity with his letter of February 20, 1952 relating to installation of sanitary facilities and recreational equipment for the use of men in the lower South End business district, "Skid Road area."

The legislation should include an appropriation totaling \$28,900.00 or so much as may be necessary for alterations, purchase of fixtures and equipment and cost of installation, and architect's fees, to be charged to the Cumulative Reserve Fund where \$27,000.00 was set aside in the 1951 Budget by Resolution; it should also include the entire assets of the Charles Brdar bequest, being approximately \$3197.14; the sum of \$5750 included in the 1951 Budget for maintenance and salaries which, being unexpended, was carried over by ordinance for expenditures in the 1952 Budget also be designated for the operating expenses of the above facilities.

This acceptance will constitute a contract with the Lutheran Compass Mission to provide the sanitary and recreational facilities as mentioned in their letter of February 20th, for a term of ten years.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. F. F. Powell

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File No. 215760

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# LUTHERAN COMPASS MISSION



77 WASHINGTON STREET, SEATTLE 4, WASHINGTON + ELLIOTT 2116  
REVEREND EDWIN BRACHER, Superintendent

February 20, 1952

City Council  
County-City Building  
Seattle 4, Washington

Attention: Mrs. F.F. Powell

Dear Council Member:

As a result of the recommendation of the City Planning Commission made on July 29, 1949, that a sanitary and social center be established in the Skid Road area, a survey was made in the area as to the need and location of such facilities. Later, on November 27, 1951, the President of the Health and Welfare Council, in a letter addressed to the City Council, stressed the necessity for such facilities.

Since the closing of the facilities at Pioneer Square, there has been much agitation for these facilities being made available for unattached men in this area. The Lutheran Compass Mission, a member agency of the Seattle Community Chest, has been approached with the proposition that the basement in its building be remodelled to provide such facilities. We therefore propose to provide, under the general supervision of the head of the Building Department of the City of Seattle, toilet, shower and washing facilities, a delousing unit, laundry trays and drying room for use of men in this area.

A preliminary sketch of the proposed improvements has been submitted to the Building Department for approval. This plan provides for the installation of 12 water closets, 8 urinals, 8 wash basins, 4 showers, 1 delousing unit, 2 laundry trays and 1a drying room.

It is contemplated that the facilities will be open for public use for thirteen hours daily under the supervision of the staff of Compass Center. It will be necessary, however, to add three attendants to the staff to properly operate the facilities.

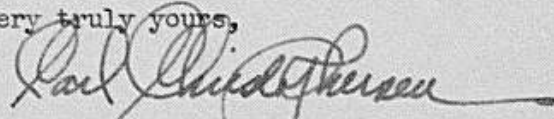
Compass Center will also provide a large upstairs reading and recreation room as a part of plan. The Community Chest and Council has approved the project, and the Budget Committee has given their approval to the budget items needed to provide a Program Director to carry out the recreational and rehabilitative program.

To make this program possible the City is requested to pay the cost of alterations, purchase of fixtures and equipment, and pay cost of installation and architect's fees for drawing plan and specifications, and purchase the necessary recreational equipment. The total cost to the City will not exceed the following amounts:

For alterations, purchase of fixtures and equipment and cost of installation, to be paid as work progresses	\$27,500.00
Architect's fees (approximately 5%)	<u>1,400.00</u>
	\$28,900.00
Recreational equipment (to be paid from Brdar estate)	\$ 2,300.00
	<u>31,200</u>

The City will be expected to pay the costs of maintenance, including salaries for three men, heat light, water, supplies, laundry, painting and repairs, which we believe can be furnished for a sum not exceeding \$9,000.00 a year.

Very truly yours,



Carl F. Christophersen  
President, Board of Directors