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WHEREAS, there exist City of Seattle Watermains in an easement through the United States Naval Supply Depot in the vicinity of West Wheeler Street; and

WHEREAS, these existing watermains are in imminent danger of destruction by reason of earth movement which cannot be controlled as long as said watermains remain in their present locations; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to remove said watermains to a more suitable location; Now, Therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Board of Public Works be and it is hereby authorized and directed to remove all of, or such portion as may be determined to be necessary, of the City of Seattle Watermains existing in an easement across the United States Naval Supply Depot property in the vicinity of West Wheeler Street in accordance with plans and specifications to be prepared by the City Engineer and approved by the Board of Public Works.

Such improvement shall be effected by the awarding of a contract or contracts therefor or, in the discretion of said Board, the same or any part thereof may be done by day labor.

Section 2. That the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated from the Water Fund, for the purpose set forth in Section 1 hereof.

(To be used for all Ordinances except Emergency.)

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 30 day of June, 1952,
and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 30 day of
June, 1952. Clarence F. Massart

President **Pro Tem** of the City Council.

Approved by me this 9 day of July, 1952.
Alvan Tomney
Mayor.

Filed by me this 9 day of July, 1952.

Attest: Thomas
City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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By W. A. Quinn
Deputy Clerk.

June 20, 1952

Honorable City Council
Seattle, Washington

Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith two Council Bills for your approval. One bill provides for the construction of watermains in Lawton Way, West Halladay Street and Thorndyke Avenue to effect a new connection between the existing watermains in West Wheeler Street at Lawton Way and at Thorndyke Avenue. The route of this new connection will be entirely outside the U.S. Naval Supply Depot through which the present mains run in an easement. The second bill provides for the removal of the existing City Watermains now traversing the Navy property in the aforementioned easement.

The work proposed in these bills is most urgent at this time. For several years, the existing 12-inch and 16-inch mains supplying a large area of Magnolia have been endangered by progressive earth movements within the Naval Depot. This movement has been periodically reported to the Water Department by the Navy.

Corrective action is not possible as long as the watermains remain in their present location. The mains are now in imminent danger of destruction and it is imperative that they be relocated on more stable ground before they fail and cause serious damage to the Navy installation.

The Navy has agreed recently to purchase from the City, for incorporation in the Navy Depot, the easement granted for maintenance and construction of utilities when West Wheeler Street was condemned during the war. The watermains in question are the only utilities existing in said easement. The Navy has agreed to pay \$45,178.00 for a quit claim deed to this easement. This sum amounts to approximately three-fourths of the estimated cost of relocation of the mains and removal of the old mains. This appears to be a very reasonable offer since the City will also benefit greatly by the moving of these vital mains to a safer location. We also propose to enlarge the 16-inch main to 20-inch in its new location to improve service. The agreement of the Navy to pay for the relinquishment of this easement is included in City Comptroller's File

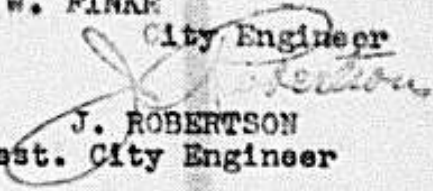
No. 217248 which is also before you on this date.

A third bill is in process of preparation which will provide for the acceptance of the Navy offer, will authorize the Mayor and City Comptroller to sign a quit claim deed and issue same upon receipt of the agreed payment, and will provide for payment of the money received into the Water Fund as reimbursement for part of the cost of relocation.

We recommend that the construction and removal described in the accompanying bills be authorized, and that the Navy's offer contained in City Comptroller's File No. 217248 be accepted.

Very truly yours,

R. W. FINKB
City Engineer

By 
J. ROBERTSON
Aast. City Engineer

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The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

MR. PRESIDENT:

Your Committee on Finance and City Utilities
to which was referred C.B. 72513,

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RECOMMEND THAT THE SAME DO PASS.

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Fin.
Chairman

Jones

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Chairman

Committee

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