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REPAIR TO BE UNDERTAKEN

Council Will Order the Improvement of Franklin Avenue in the East End.

CITY BEARS PART OF COST

Ordinance Laid Over For Two Weeks So That Provision May Be Made for Proper Slope in Big Cut on Street.

An ordinance providing for the improvement of Franklin avenue, from Thirty-sixth street to a point 40 feet east of the west line of Forty-third street, was presented at last night's meeting of the council. The measure was offered by Mr. Burns, chairman of the street committee. It provides that the improvement must be completed by December 1, 1904.

This is the improvement over the probable undertaking of which there has been so much dissension. At the present time the east end is almost cut off from communication with the rest of the city because of the decay of the leading thoroughfare extending eastward from Thirty-sixth, and it has been said by Mayor Suprenant that, without improvement of the street,

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communication would have to be carried on by means of boat. The repair has been regarded by members of the council as absolutely essential, while property owners have placed every possible obstacle in the way of the proposed movement.

In explanation, Mr. Burns said he thought it best to offer the measure at this time and fix the date for completion of the work a year off, so that the improvement could be made at the least possible cost.

Mr. Hansen favored the improvement, but he seriously doubted the feasibility of cutting the street through the mill on Franklin avenue. This cut will be 50 feet deep and 30 feet through, and Mr. Hansen said he was satisfied the council would experience a repetition of the Eighth street difficulty unless proper allowance were made for a slope, intimating that the sidewalks and main thoroughfare would soon be covered with earth. He added that the improvement would cost the city between \$2000 and \$2500.

Mr. Morton said it was customary to secure the consent of property owners before undertaking street improvements, but he thought the council would never make any headway in the east end if the usual rule were observed.

Mr. Nordstrom went after Mr. Hansen for saying that the city would be compelled to bear part of the cost of the work. The First ward, he pointed out, had cost the city lots of money for street improvements, and he believed the objection to the east end improvement on this ground hardly fair. He added that the Third ward had but one street, and felt the city should make every reasonable effort to open it.

Mr. Hansen replied that he was anxious only to secure improvements of a substantial nature; unless precaution were observed, the proposed new street would soon be covered up in the big cut. If provision were made to protect the street, he would be glad to vote for the ordinance.

City Attorney Smith suggested that

the ordinance go over for a meeting, that the matter of the cut might be investigated and attended to. Street Superintendent Kearney said he believed the council should make provision for proper slopes, which would be fully one-to-one. He advised the council "to look out for this slope business."

A motion to pass the ordinance under suspension of the rules had been offered, but was withdrawn, and the bill went over for two weeks. As soon as the ordinance is altered so as to provide for a safe cut, it will be passed.

The cost of the improvement, as estimated by City Engineer Tee in the plans and specifications, is as follows:

Planing and stringers	\$2161 65
Grading	5748 40
Clearing	500 00
Trestle	445 50
Surveying, etc.	300 00
Boxes and gutters	220 00

Total \$3399 55

The charter provides that street assessments can be levied against property for not to exceed 75 per cent of its assessed valuation, and the Franklin avenue improvement must be paid for in part by the city because of this provision.

Russians Are Hopeful.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—Officials of the foreign office do not share in the pessimistic feeling regarding the situation in the far east which now seems to be general. They say there is no reason to despair of peaceable settlement of the difficulties over which Japan and Russia are at variance.

Bryan Meets The Czar.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—William J. Bryan was received in audience by Czar Nicholas at noon yesterday. The audience lasted about 15 minutes.

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