

Bus terminal bids approved

The Michigan Department of Transportation (DOT) announced that Glenwood Construction Co. of Dearborn Heights was low bidder at \$166,178 for construction of a bus terminal building in Southfield.

The terminal will be off I-96 at the intersection of 11 Mile Road and Lahser. The project is slated for completion in January.

Stolaruk Corp. of Southfield was low bidder at \$309,000 for construction of a paved carpool parking lot and landscaping, also at the intersection of 11 Mile and Lahser in Southfield.

parking is due to be completed in November, while the landscaping is to be installed by September, 1984. Landscaping includes a two-year guarantee of plants.

Tony Angelo Cement of Southfield was low bidder at \$1.4 million for widening from two lanes to four some 1.1 miles of Brown Road from Joslyn Road east to Giddings Road and intersection improvement at Brown and Joslyn. The project is scheduled for completion in August 1982.

C.A. Hull Co., Inc., was low bidder at

\$648,000 for construction of a three-span bridge carrying I-75 ramp "A" over Grand Trunk railroad tracks at a planned Joslyn Road and I-75 intersection. The project includes latex overlay and rail replacement on bridges carrying northbound I-75 over Joslyn Road and I-75 over Grand Trunk tracks in Pontiac Township. The project is scheduled for an August 1982 completion.

Thompson-McCully and Edward R. White of Belleville was the low bidder at \$171,000 for intersection improvements at Airport Road and M-59 in Waterford Township.

Improvement slated for Airport/M-59

Improvements to the intersection of Airport Road and Highland Road (M-59) in Waterford Township are called, for under terms of bids received by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Thompson-McCully and Edward R. White of Belleville was the low bidder at \$171,000.

Airport Road will be widened north and south of the intersection to five lanes. The project includes addition of right-turn lanes and curb and gutter installation. Work is due to be completed in November.

The Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners last week agreed to contribute to the cost of the intersection improvement.

Most of the cost will be paid from federal funds while \$23,100 is to be funded by the road commission.

The intersection improvements also will provide:

- Right turn lanes on M-59.
- Left turn lanes on Airport.
- 12-inch diameter traffic signals (compared to existing 8-inch diameter).
- Pedestrian signals.
- Traffic actuated left turn phases.

The left turn phases will operate only as required by traffic waiting for such turns by means of loop detectors in the pavement. This will allow more time for through traffic, and help to solve problems of left turn accidents and left turn demands, said Fred D. Houghten, road commission chairman.

The intersection project will cost an estimated \$10,918. The road commission and M-DOT will each pay 5 percent of the cost of the larger traffic signals and pedestrian signals. Remainder will be paid by the Federal Highway Administration.

From HIYAWL to UBUGME Vanity plates entertain

Vanity license plates for cars show that motorists continue to enjoy their vehicles, says the Automotive Information Council (AIC).

Many of them give the profession of the owner, some give expressions of philosophy and some are just plain humorous.

In addition to vanity plates bought through state systems, some states have dropped the requirement for a front plate and private companies are selling customized slogans and symbols for that location. College slogans and, first

names have become highly popular.

In the job category, it's not difficult to guess the professions of DOC, LAW, DO HAIR, COACH, PULLEN, TEACH, NEWS, INSURE, CPA.

Religious affiliation and beliefs receive attention with BAPTIST, GODSMAN, IM SAVED, HEAVEN, SEEK GOD, and PRAY.

Love isn't forgotten in the tag slogans with LOVE, LUV, ILUVU, LUVU2.

But at the other end of the sentiment scale comes NUTS 2U, NUTS 2U2, UBUGME, GET LOST.

Some give warnings to other motorists: SLOWDOWN, TOO FAST, UR2NEAR, DONT HIT, while others — such as VROOM, SPEED, seem to provide a warning of machine.

Some friendly sorts came up with HI YAWL, HELLO, SMILE, LAUGH while another showed his pastime with ZZZZZZ.

State vehicle officials report they receive many requests for vulgar, even obscene, slogans but they are turned down.

Median home price jumps \$4,200 in first 5 months

The nationwide median price for single-family homes is up 8.9 percent this year over last year, according to the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors (WVOCBR).

A spokesman said the price increase is less this year than last year. He also said the increase is less than forecast for 1982 or 1983.

The depressed housing market is working to hold down home prices with the 1981 rate of increase expected to be lower than either the recent past or what's expected in the future.

"National studies by Realtor economists indicate the median price of existing homes is expected to rise 8.9 percent this year," said Robert D. Shimm, WVOCBR president.

"The national median price of \$48,760 in 1978 rose 14.3 percent the following year to reach \$55,700. In

1980 it went up 11.7 percent to reach \$62,300."

Shimm said the national median price, which was \$65,400 in May, is expected to reach \$67,600 by year's end. Forecasts indicate this median price will climb 11.6 percent in 1982 to reach \$75,400 and another 10.6 percent in 1983 to reach \$83,400.

"However, we do not expect median prices for resale homes in this area to approach this figure," he said. "The national figure is swollen by a much higher median price in the West, reported at \$85,900 in May."

"In the north central states, which include Michigan, the median price remains consistently lower than in other regions. For example, the median in the north central states reported for May was \$6,000. This was \$9,000 or nearly 15 percent below the national median."



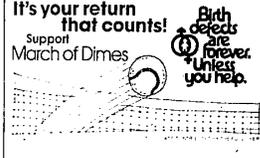
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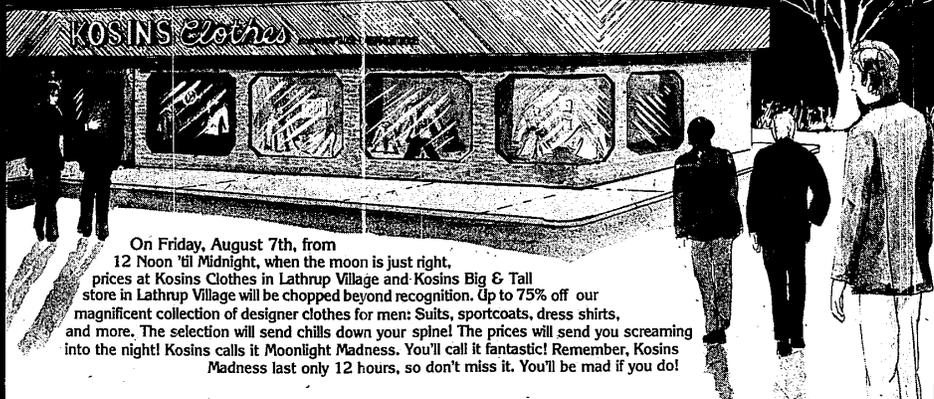
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