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San Diego, California, Dec. 15th, 1909.

Mr. A. E. Dodson,
Fire Commissioner of the Common Council,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

Your communication of November 13th regarding the placing of a fire engine house in the street adjacent to the Middletown School Building was presented and read to our Board at the regular meeting held December 13th.

After considerable discussion in which the sentiment was very favorable of the plan of locating a fire engine in the Middletown district, yet for the safety of the pupils, and to prevent the disturbing of the school, it was deemed advisable not to comply with your request, but to earnestly object to the placing of an engine in that locality.

In the discussion each member expressed a friendly feeling for your efforts, but deemed it unwise to give their consent for the erection of an engine house in the public street so near a school building.

very truly yours,

S. W. Belding

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Nov. 13, 1909.

To the Hon. Board of Education,
San Diego, Cal.

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Gentlemen:

It is the desire of the Fire Department to construct a small building in the wide street east of the Middletown school building, but before taking any steps we wish to know if the property owners around this locality have any objections to it, or in other words, if they will give us a release to a sufficient portion of this three-cornered piece of land for the erection of a building. It is our intention to erect a small and neat building, and place therein an auto combination chemical wagon. This will certainly not be objectionable, and it will be something desired in that portion of the city where fire protection is so badly needed.

Kindly inform me of your views in the matter.

Respectfully,

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SUPERINTENDENT DEPT. OF FIRE AND SEWERS.